



SSMU Legislative Council – April 9, 2015

1) Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:25pm

- a. Territory Acknowledgement

2) Attendance

3) Approval of the Minutes

- a. March 26, 2015

Motion to approve by Councillor Conrad

Seconded by Councillor Shah

Motion passed.

Minutes approved.

4) Adoption of the Agenda

Motion to amend, councillor of the year to 9 a. by Councillor Rioux.

Speaker: The voting for that will be online, so that's the just the announcement.

Motion to amend, add motion regarding solidarity with AGSEM by Councillor Dunbar Lavoie.

Passed.

Motion to amend, move it to the top by Councillor Dunbar Lavoie.

Speaker: In order.

Motion to amend, add report from LIF by Councillor Stewart Kanigan. Also report equity committee.

Motion to amend, President Ayukawa move motion regarding replacement of by-law up in agenda.

Speaker: In order. As b.

Motion to amend, VP Bradley move report by FERC to guest speaker.

Speaker: Allow them to take questions and discuss, but actual approval will be later.

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: Move motion regarding equity policy revisions to 1c.

Speaker: In order.

Motion to adopt agenda by Councillor Weaver.

Seconded by Councillor Carolan.

Motion approved.



Motion passed.

- 5) Report of the Steering Committee
Motion to approve by Councillor Rioux.
Seconded by Councillor Houston.
Passed.**

6) Guest Speakers

a. Sustainability Research Commissioner

Caroline: Final recommendation from sustainability committee on how to further incorporate sustainability. Straw poll results of last council were for coordinator. The committee met and discussed data. Decided to go with full time coordinator. HR and President Ayukawa put together description of what we're looking for. [lists the 11 criteria determined by HR available online]

The SSMU sustainability committee strongly recommend that council mandates new council to finalize position of sustainability coordinator with 2014-2015 president, work to hire a full time sustainability coordinator by end of their term, and update council at every meeting in the president's report to council. If council adopts this recommendation, it would be the same as adopting a motion to mandate next year.

President Ayukawa: This is the very concise version of this.

b. Funding Coordinator

Funding Coordinator: We met 8 times this year, our deadline set for Jan 30th. We received 132 applications. Less this semester than other years. Possibly because not as well advertised. Faculty associations had a lot of complaints about how long it took, but quorum issues. Also because new installment system, we need a deadline for when funding needs to be submitted – April 15th. If you want funding, you need to claim that by April 15th.

8 funds.

1. Club fund. 60k planned, but only 30k given out.
2. Campus Life Fund: 74k, about half drained.
3. Ambassador fund: 100k requests, but only 30k to give.
4. Green fund: heavily uncontested
5. Equity fund: drained
6. FYC fund: not heavily used
7. Charity fund: un contests

Been lenient about requests because it's a new system. Also workshops for people learning how to claim/request. Has been effective about over funding. A lot of people giving back money they don't need. We've saved about 3000\$ doing this. A few emails I have applications for that I will be sending to committees. Meetings were faster. Thank you committee and good luck next year!



Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: When can people submit funding requests for this year?

Funding coordinator: They can ask and I can let them know if there's any money left.

President Ayukawa: What group received the most amount of money this year? And what did they receive.

Funding Coordinator: Seeing voices Montreal – 6k. They have a lot expenses. Debating too. Formula electric got 5k from green fund too. You can argue whether or not they fit mandate. That money is there and it's better to disperse that money than sit on it.

Councillor Conrad: Did the designer note have to do with the green fund?
Funding coordinator: it wasn't fitting mandate of green fund that way, but they do a lot of outreach and community engagement. We get a lot of requests that are way out.

Councillor Ibrahim: Wondering how you plan on transitioning next person.
Funding coordinator: planning on writing very long account of what I know from working. More consistent. Try to pass that on.

VP Bradley: On behalf of this council, last year, this year, thank you so much you're such a great staff to work with.

c. LIF coordinator

Coordinator: A lot of money spent on housekeeping and maintenance – bylaw review, rebranding logo. Capital projects, technology, and special projects. Capital = smaller scales. Part of our mandate is to spread this across a lot of different branches. In terms of funding extended hours. We have decided to do this until next year. We also ended up having to fund it this year. This came out of the expectation that has been built up this year. We're dealing with that this year. They just assumed it would be covered by us. That's when we started all discussions about whether or not students should be covering these costs. What we have done now is that we have relegated extended hours to special projects. Basically this year we contributed 250k\$ on extended hours. Next year, beginning October and Feb. This is from a proposal from students. So to sum up a lot of housekeeping, stronger position to move forward, ready to move forward.
Councillor Rourke: what do you expect with future projects next years?
Coordinator: formally recommending things we couldn't do. Adding outlets in study areas. Relaxation space in library. A lot of other seating projects. A new noise policy, will change where students can eat.



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Councillor Dunbar Lavoie: I appreciate having privilege of working with you all year long, you're a big personality, what do you think your crowning achievement is, and what are you looking for in successor.

Coordinator: Happy to have worked with Councillor Dunbar Lavoie and for projects – revising bylaws was our representational life at library. Clarifying that was super important. I'm sure whoever is here next year will do a great job.

Councillor Chin: Regarding extended branch hours for 2014-2015-2016 – reduction in dollar amount, is there services being cut?

Coordinator: Opposite. Getting more access and more hours with smaller investments. This year 250k\$. Next year it'll be more hours less money. Overall increase in access.

Councillor Weaver: Is this on Vibe?

Speaker: It should be.

Councillor Shah: Is the library going through all capital projects.

Coordinator: We allocate the funding most of these will happen in the summer. So they will happen in may. They will be happening in the summer.

Councillor Weaver: Is the law library being funded for extended hours for following year?

Coordinator: Yes, part of it.

Councillor Weaver: With that decision made, will the floors be restricted to law students?

Coordinator: No, it shouldn't. If you think of any other questions just email me.

Councillor Dunbar Lavoie: Concerned that law library scandal would tarnish your legacy and hurt political future?

Aaron: No.

d. Equity commissioners

Ska and Soula

Ska: One of the things was campus conversation – discussions in SSMU building open to anyone to discuss, 2 discussions – body positivity and feminism and islamaphobia. Good feedback.



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Soula: I was involved in supervising research commissioners. Great stuff. Will be worth reading report in May. Worked on policy too with Claire. If anyone has questions about that I can answer them. Edited them for cohesion and clarity. Also added in a new section. We wanted to make sure policy reflected SSMU equity's position.

Ska: Subcommittee on race equity, part of equity award selection as well as SSMU equity website, plan on doing that this semester. You can like us on Facebook. Also coming up we're hoping to do some frosh planning with incoming VP internal. We're hoping to do a collaboration. Any feedback or wants to talk they can email us.

Soula: Last thing – alternative research project. Project that will allow students to do work about interesting stories about McGill that haven't particularly been found isn't common knowledge. Nice timeline to put on SSMU equity website. That's it!

Bidar: Relationship in minority groups are reciprocal in terms of adaptation of some values for example homosexuality, but is I know that we have to work with islamophobia is this are there any ways the community can work with those groups to adapt other values that are important for students?

Soula: One interesting thing that came out of that discussion was participation of students on campus they were really happy because they were saying there needs to be more dialogue with religious groups on campus. I think it's important to establish that relationship.

Councillor Rourke: Thank you for work all year. Wondering what would you like to see in future.

Ska: Definitely fostering more ties with student groups on campus. Something working on this year. Working with other staff on campus. A lot of initiatives that we'll write about in exit report – equitable hiring would be a great project to do next year. More to be done! Continuity and the campus conversations.

Soula: A lot of smaller projects on campus surrounding race. Great to have equity commissioners doing more ground works to find out what's been going on on campus in archives. Like BSN – participation of black students at McGill.

Ska: I meant to say we have included a section with groups about equity complaints.

Councillor Ibrahim: Thanks! Wondering what are some of the barriers you faced this year.



Ska: One of the main things was a misunderstanding or lack of info on what an equity complaint really entails – that stems from not reading equity policy. A lot of complaints were not under scope of policy. Speaks to lack of info about SSMU equity. One thing next year would be VP UA – enhancing website because lacking on info.

Soula: Working on SSMU side it was pretty well done this year a lot of support – just continue to work closely with equity commissioners.

e. FERC

Ben Ger: Since passing of ethical investment plan. Charged with reviewing SSMU's investment portfolio. Different categories – can recommend divestment, can say it's socially irresponsible, further research is another option, shareholders advocacy too – we can contact shareholders and talk to them about concerns. None of the stocks we went over actually fit in that category. Portfolio currently 56 holding, value of around 2.8 million dollars. 7 companies that are listed in this report and why they're recommended for divestment. If you scroll down, more charts with 67% of holding are considered socially responsible. Nig up from a couple of weeks ago. Do you want to go very into details? (quick straw poll)

Transglobe – started out as Griffith Energy – oil and gas company owns transglobe. Based out of Alberta. Also owned by Carical energy, Glencore – trading mining in Switzerland. Most unethical company in the world right now. We divested from that.

Atlas CV – we couldn't see in the holdings, so passed on to next portfolio

Parkland – divested because part of oil sands.

Canadian Western Banks – recommendation last year for divestment, but never happened, so we did that this year. Charter bank – very heavily tied to oil sand firms and distribution of natural gas, etc.

New Alta – nothing good there. No actual recent activity but actions on their own are enough of crossing the line.

Velan – Quebec, some clients not involved in oil sands, majority of business does go to those companies though. 70-75% of oil facilities in Canada. Another big divest.

Badger Daylighting – petroleum – also recently acquired Fieldtek – refining oil sands.



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Com dev international – one company that was recommendation last year.
Satellites for military

Councillor Conrad: We do a lot of recommendation on what to divest from. Any reviews of what people are looking to reinvest in.

Ben: Skipped over intro where holding is entirely managed by Kevin Lestner. FERC is just reviewing and recommending divestment. It's his decision whether we do it or not.

VP Bradley: Two years ago FERC looked into changing their goals to make it more suited to SSMU's needs.

7) Announcements

Speaker: 2015 arts rep to SSMU Sameeha Sheriff been elected to be...

President Ayukawa: We need the IRs to do this announcement.

Councillor Ibrahim: April 13th PGSS collaboration hunting ground screening – talks about sexual consent . Leacock 132 6:30pm. Hoping to invite different administration people. Please come out.

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: This weekend sending bus to Quebec City act on climate march. Bus is 5\$ you should go. Sign up at SSMU FD.

VP Fong: If anyone hasn't done it yet, student experience survey still up.

VP Bradley: Sabra Hummus is being recalled for listeria.

Councillor Baraldi: Course evaluations are open, do them.

Councillor Conrad: You can get free ice-cream at frostbite tomorrow! At 1pm.

VP Chaim: Saturday is SSMU awards. Please RSVP.

Councillor Houston: Last GC at SUS yesterday, we failed our first motion in 2 years.

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: Tuesday there's a community sit-in for austerity starts at 2pm.

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: Still 0 out of 2 councillor seats on awards and distinction selection committee. Please sit on this committee; it will be one meeting.



Fong: How many meetings?

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: One.

Councillor Conrad: Could you elaborate on this committee?

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: The awards and distinction are awards that are awarded to undergraduate students who have demonstrated engagement in community and academically strong students. The committee is going through the applications and deciding who gets the award. And we need a committee.

Councillor Chin: How many applicants were there?

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: I don't know if it's appropriate for me to say. I think I would decline to comment on that.

8) Question Period

Councillor Ibrahim: question for VP Chaim councillors have any of their constituents contact them to frustrations regarding access to law library, and wondering if anyone has done anything in that regard, a few students approached me, wanted this to be discussed here.

Councillor Kpeglo-Hennessy: Yes I heard that concern I sent emails to LIF coordinator and UA and never received a response.

Councillor Weaver: Wondering when we're going to eat.

President Ayukawa: Councillors will be able to have Boustan's and pizza after motions are done.

Councillor Rourke: Will the pizza be cold by then?

President Ayukawa: Yes. You're not eating until all motions are done.

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: To respond to Kpeglo-Hennessy now I see you did email me, I missed it. This was something that SSMU was kind of cc'ed on this arrangement was made between faculty of Law and library earlier in March. After we already made allocation in extended hours. This seems to be trial period of this. It's not restricting access to entirety of building but just a portion of it. I don't know if the LIF coordinator wants to weigh in?

Motion to extend speaking rights to LIFC.

LIFC: A bit of weird situation with faculty of Law and relationship with library amend they don't really appreciate amount putting towards extended hours some



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concerns raised about access materials, 60 new seats allocated during exams. Library is concerned about equity of being paid by students and limited access. Point out that music students pay specifically towards their library, and all undergrads have access to it so it's across the board.

Councillor Kpeglo-Hennessy: Interesting that come departments in arts are larger and contribute more I get it's difficult to find time Law students. Are they open to allow it just during the day for law students or just at night?

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: I think the degree is impacting student but it's something we have to bring back to library.

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: Question re the women hours at gym.

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: I was contacted by deputy provost yesterday saying that as he had mentioned in media release the university will be creating a group on making gym accessible. But the idea of women's hours was completely off table at committee. So university is continuing to completely shut down this front. Reluctant to send SSMU rep it this committee. Because shut down on demands.

Councillor Chin: SSMU boycotting this committee?

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: Since contacted by deputy provost yesterday haven't even received email inviting SSMU. Currently weighing options. Personally inclined towards this, just damage control, not actually trying to help. Nothing happening on this committee anyway. PR tactic.

9) New Business

a. Motion regarding AGSEM solidarity

Speaking rights ceded to AGSEM rep.

Justin Irwin: President of AGSEM. Just to let you know for those who aren't aware AGSEM stands for Association of graduate Students employed at McGill. Two units bargaining units of each two positions. Research assistants – invigilators. Unit 1. Collective agreement – contract TAs are paid, hours, how hiring is done, etc. That expired in June of last year. Since August we've been in negotiations bargaining with McGill. 15 sessions from late August until March. McGill financial offer. We're bargaining for: wage increase (5%). We are also looking for proposals for health and tuition fee waivers for members. As well as TA to student ratios. As enrolment goes up, so too must TA funding for hours. Concerned we might not get as many hours if less wages. These are the demands that we had brought to McGill, we got the financial proposal from employer, what we got offered was none of that stuff and all they offered was a wage increase – we don't know how much but same as public sector employee negotiations on. We don't have any say in those negotiations. The amount



province was proposing – wage freeze for first two years then increase after that which is less than inflation. Looking at basically a wage cut. Assembly was dissatisfied with offer and held a strike vote. Tuesday this week. To give you a sense of what that would look like – picket lines on campus including at the gym while exams are happening. Also other visible locations – James square, Roddick gates, to have this ability. Soft pickets. Not trying to prevent people from entering, not trying to stop people going into exams. Some disruptions but disruption will be minimal though. Only the TAs striking that day. Invigilators won't be striking. They have the right if unionized not to cross picket lines though. Probably having another assembly in Fall with potential to extend strike. The more support we can get from undergraduates and graduate student body the better place we will be. This would help significantly.

Councillor Chin: Work of steering committee is very important, we have motions like this where we are dictating rules of AUS. Hoping this will be changed. AGSEM key bargaining requests. Because population of TAs very different, which faculties stand to gain most from bargaining requests?

Irwin: Having broken it down. There are certain departments which it seems that number of TA to students has declined and I couldn't really go into specifics. What were aiming to do is to secure ourselves in decrease in hours rather than global increase in hours. It is something that would benefit TAs globally.

Councillor Rioux: Hears about this today, wondering what percentage was every faculty has different needs I think they might have different opinions, wondering what the final percentage for was
Irwin: yes vote – a little bit less than 2/3 majority. To be clear, simple majority needed.

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: Thanks for coming and thanks to councillors for bringing this to council. My question is what day again is the one day strike and also I would like to propose an amendment.

Speaker: go ahead

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: Question for movers – I do like the idea that SSMU write a letter to administration. Who will it be addressed to?

Irwin: could be anyone. Negotiating team we're speaking to. Don't know if appropriate there or provost or higher administration. Not actually bargaining in the same room as administration.

Councillor Chin: Since most TAs come from PGSS has a similar motion been presented to them?



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Irwin: Not that I'm aware – cancelled council last night, spoken with sec general of PGSS about possibility of such a motion taking place one hasn't been drafted so far though.

Councillor Conrad: This was brought up to AUS – one of you summarize debate and result of motion.

Ibrahim: Lots of questions, how will this affect students, exams cancelled? Negotiations? What are the struggles that TAs are facing?

Councillor Chin: Not a question but more of a comment, feel uncomfortable supporting motion without having asked PGSS first. Unfortunately I will be voting against such motion until later.

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: I would like to respectfully disagree with you this is very pertinent to undergraduates these are your TAs you're talking about. You know better than anyone how hard it is to negotiate with McGill.

Councillor Ibrahim: Also respectfully disagree—speaking with AGSEM realized that McGill is seriously stalling process, TAs work directly for students. Without them we wouldn't function. Just an outline of what TAs deserve in terms of hours pay and things, none of that being satisfied right now. Strongly speak in favor of this motion.

Councillor Benrimoh: Caveat of no TAs in medicine: I would like to say that for once using senator rep title – ratio of student to staff are not getting any better as such if TA student ratio is not being protecting, the quality of education is only getting worse. If you want to look at I in terms of value of degree McGill will be worth less. A whole reason to support. The fact of the matter is there will be compromise. We support spirit at the very least.

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: Strongly in favor of motion very timely moment of us to passing this motion and the TAs are McGill are in unfavourable conditions. So it is a very important moment for us to be supporting them.

Councillor Conrad: Comment that I think that it was a poor decision to bring this so quickly; from the floor, I'd love to talk to constituents about this. Although with issues similar to these, it has been helpful to talk to constituents so that's all I really wanted to say. Also add I think it would be hard to include decision to say.

Bidar: Because we work for students if passing this motion would affect students' exams and cancellation of exams I think it makes it very inconvenient for students. We might actually make a lot of problems for students.



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Councillor Rourke: First of all second Benrimoh TA ratio, raised by constituents – AGS made it difficult to hire undergraduate TAs, graduate TAs teaching class weren't best. Undergrad TAs couldn't be teaching classes, didn't know how to answer question. Felt compelled to raise that concern. Supporting these negotiations helps grads students. So address concern.

Irwin: Just to be clear why that's case. AGSEM does not have accreditation to represent other than grad students. There's nothing that would include them in that agreement. AGSEM does have an ongoing campaign to try to unionize people in these positions like undergraduate TA so we could have a better collective for those people. As it is right now it's simply part of the...

Carolyn: Especially in management pretty much every TA is undergraduate student. MDA students are not as accessible or relevant. Can you defend why you don't want undergraduates to be teaching in your place, but if it's for the best benefit for undergraduate students why wouldn't you be open to campaigning on their behalf?

Irwin: We are campaigning on their behalf. But the way our agreement is set up there's a priority on grad students. Where the department can say to us grad aren't qualified, then we often let that slide and that hiring is done. We cannot rep people who are not grad TAs we are not legally allowed to that. We can advocate of it. We'd like to get them on AGSEM.

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: We passed a motion supporting that drive.

Councillor Rioux: Seeing as I didn't get to consult constituents. And last time there was a unanimous against supporting undergraduates. IF we had more time, it would have made it possible but I can't vote for it as it is.

President Ayukawa: Thanks movers; I think it's nice to have operation to stand solidarity with negotiations with administration. Have received concerned emails about strike on 16th wondering if more details of how exams may or may not be affected.

Irwin: Soft pickets in terms of students getting into exams, shouldn't be disrupted. All unionised employees at McGill have right not crossing picket lines. Might become invigilators that choose to exercise that right. Can't say how much so. Expectation is that it would be fairly minimal.

Councillor Shah: Share and understand concerns about consulting issue considering wording though already in line with what we've passé din past. Very important – 3rd BIR clause doesn't force SSMU or council to promote strike in any way but give info and I think that's really important. Adopting this now ensures well have less uninformed students complaining on the 16th.



Councillor Benrimoh: Strike day is going to happen regardless of what we decide. I invite PTOT to say if that's different but as medicine won't be affected by it I am comfortable supporting this. One inconvenient day compare dot what might help better TA ratios for long-term. Trade off. Important though. We have responsibility as a council. Would have loved more time with constituents but last council. I submit that I will be not in in favor.

**Motion to call to question by Councillor Ibrahim
Passed.**

Motion passes.

b. Motion regarding IR of Presidential Portfolio

President Ayukawa: The document already exists, a couple of substantial changes but from what I understand mostly just to fit these into IR as they stand. Already exists, not really changing anything. The other changes made as Stefan and I made a couple of changes that are a bit more logistical. The other change is the addition of VP finance and operations. If the group wants to get a fee they have to talk to C&S and also FOPS.

VP Fong: Motions to amend electoral review committee strike that and replace with member at large that is not from same faculty as previously nominated. Makes more sense.

Councillor Benrimoh: I believe it's common practice in many accountability committee to have a member from a similar organization who understands how process works but does not have invested stake. Members at large are great for accountability but not so good for knowhow.

Bylaw commissioner: Did not touch this, more of a political decision to be made.

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: It appears the regulations concerning student senators have disappeared, the duties and regulations are gone.

Councillor Rourke: Second David's comments on PGSS – as a student when those controversial decisions are made it's reassuring to have PGSS student. Less bias. When I hear that I'm reassured. I would caution against taking that out.

VP Fong: Respond to points: don't think PGSS would be impartial considering we have an agreement with them. As opposed to faculty member. Our elections are not run same way as elections in PGSS. PGSS are not necessarily more valuable than another student in another faculty.

President Ayukawa: Decision regarding PGSS member was one made by bylaw review committee last semester. This was info already given to them. It's in your



power to change it . It came to council when adopting interim revisions regarding elections this semester. I was in charge of getting PGSS to talk about bylaw committee. Maybe this is a product of PGSS this year but not as responsible as hoping they would be. Not necessarily representative.

Councillor Rourke: I do think PGSS by virtue of not voting in elections has less of a bias I don't think PGSS has less of a knowledge of electoral process at SSMU. That my biggest concern. Less response doesn't mean less likely to help.

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: Maintain that the section previously titled bylaw book 1 senate seat concerning seems MIA, can you tell me where it is.

President Ayukawa: I was thinking of senator caucus representatives that are in there but this case was actually removed.

VP Stewart: This wasn't communicated to me. We will then have to pass, we'll no longer have any regulations on senator caucus for entirety of summer. This is problematic.

President Ayukawa: I recognise that UA might feel this is problematic. It's my bad for not moving stuff, but it is planned. One of them is staying until June. Basically it's planned for one o the bylaw commissioner to work with CP UA and IA so that new can be transferred to fall.

Councillor Houston: Would it help to just put a note about bylaw book to assuage UA.

Councillor Rourke: Error in part 8 – seems like a problem.

President Ayukawa: Resolved.

Houston amend motion to add resolved clause current bylaw be adopted ad interim bylaw until fall.

President Ayukawa: I would prefer we adopt interim regulations before adopting that.

Speaker: Divide the question then.

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: I understand movement of IR of senator caucus to bylaw book, but the regulations about distribution of senate seat. Why have those been separated?

Commissioner: Not involved in that decision.



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President Ayukawa: Might have been missing from draft.

Councillor Houston: I want to make sure that this wouldn't require notice of motion.

VP Fong: Last point I wanted to talk about was I have PGSS who sits on one of my committee, they have been hilariously unreliable. No interest in coming to these meetings. I don't think that helped. Not a valid argument to make.

Councillor Benrimoh: That's a good point, would the amender be amenable to keep it as it is, but add in a sub clause that says when it is not possible then what you said.

VP Fong: No. Because that logistically so difficult to do.

Councillor Chin: I apologize I missed last ten minutes. What were logistical problems with recent summit of committee.

President Ayukawa: Committee membership wasn't full established until 2 days before committee was struck. Other big issues – hiring CEO and DEO. Also talk for an ERC to meet. Time crunch. There weren't really much leeway. The other thing it I being the only and first time it met there was no precedent to how this group is supposed to act and meet and discuss. So kind just like see what worked best they didn't get quorum.

Councillor Chin: Walk through how members are nominated?

President Ayukawa: Nomination is basically people email their relevant experience and why they're interested to CEO and general manager. Most qualified, least biased, most objective. Those are people who are nominated. Those selected – who can attend meetings, least biased.

Councillor Chin: To feels like this CEO holds large discretionary powers would it be possible that each time CEO meets after selection of nominees and selecting from nominees can that be put into report form for us?

President Ayukawa: It's confidential. Confidentiality.

Councillor Chin: Are these nominees required to report on all conflicts of interest?

President Ayukawa: Yes.

Amendment fails.



President Ayukawa: Propose that regarding the senate situation --- we will probably be bringing forward a motion from floor about interim regulations interim revisions are allowed and don't need notice of motion and it should be resolved.

Councillor Benrimoh: If we call to question now, the issue with the senate stuff is not going in there.

Speaker: As President Ayukawa already said.

Motion passed.

c. Motion Regarding Equity Policy

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: As the equity commissioner mentioned and in notice of motion most work done on policy was clarifying language that was unclear, doing a bit of formatting work, housekeeping most significant change was section 10. This encourages equity officers to consult relevant student groups for advice this means that for example if a particular group would be affected by resolution of complaint it would be advised for equity advisors to consult with that group. Response with regard to equities solution. Making this decision without speaking to group. So that is the most substantive change. The rest is a lot of housekeeping. We changed language to better reflect spirit. Available for questions.

Councillor Baraldi: In consultation with student groups how will we sure that confidential.

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: Reasonable question. I think it would be collaborating with us would be fair to warn that this policy it would be fine to make sign confidentiality.

Benrimoh: Comment quickly housekeeping done on policy perfectly honest haven't had change to read through all of it. Welcome section about consultation with student group. Significant amount of worry was policy difficult to access, in housekeeping was attention paid to that concern?

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: Yes that was something we were respectful in the process. Removing extraneous measure in groups; a lot of talks about Quebec humans rights commission. There were some functions in there that equity commissioner should be doing that they weren't doing. Tried to keep it close to actual power of equity commissioner. Also after that discussed making a flow chart to make accessible to everyone.

Councillor Rourke: 2.5.2. we believe it valuable to protest causes on campus. The language is not clear here?



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Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: Protect not protest.

Councillor Baraldi: 11.4 if council does not ratify recommendation from equity committee, possibility of back and forth?

Ibrahim: We can, but provide other recommendations.

Councillor Houston: Under Roberts rules, we can amend or adopt recommendation.

Councillor Benrimoh: Even if already allowed, considering that most students don't know, might be good to have noted explicitly in policy. That basically means that you know what could have been avoided. Good to make it clear.

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: Could be amended yes and technically could be sent back to committee. It is strange the way it was written now. Would be open to an amendment.

Councillor Benrimoh: Couple of ideas I think bringing 11.4 to eventualities. Abstains from ratifying, the worst is iffy there. If you could make a section so that possibilities are clear. Ratify, not ratify, send back with recommendation, second round if still disagreements – j-board.

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: Okay yes we'll clarify that and submit it as an amendment.

Fong: Cafeteria open until 1am open space.

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: Do you know the PGSS election results?

Speaker: Not out yet.

President Ayukawa: Motion to suspend the rules and add motion to the floor. Interim provisions for senators.

Speaker: According to new IRs, new Arts rep is councillor handbook editor. Conflict of interest may exist.

President Ayukawa: Any time you feel that someone might have a conflict of interest, you can motion to ask to resign.

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: These are the provisions I came up with to deal with the problems we spoke about what happens if recommendation are rejected by council.



Amendment passes.

Motion passes.

d. Climate Change Policy

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: I hope you all had a chance to read it. Definitely some points worth addressing. Aren't any major revision. Not in point form. I think this policy more of framework type of thing. More sense to write it the way it is. Changed the fact that there were multiple fonts. Also definition of climate Justice. That's it.

Councillor Houston: Ok if the amendment were shown to us. At steering we were told that there were no revisions to it.

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: no amendments.

Houston: Oh, I misunderstood.

Councillor Chin: Back to what I said two weeks. The best effort we get is comic sans organization.

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: I like that it's from a local organization. I think climate justice Montreal is a great group. They know their stuff better than anyone. I respectfully disagree. I welcome the amendment.

Councillor Benrimoh: Personal position unchanged from last time good policy I would like to know the results of survey Rourke (put up.)

Councillor Rourke: A lot of you guys shared consultation survey the results themselves are on vibe, majority yes. Except for eng. Worth looking at concerns. Summarized pos and neg. Positive feedback and climate change they were for it. Very positive. Negative – eng – affects that faculty a lot especially mining. Disagree with condemning all fossil fuel. They say it's their choice to engage these companies and a lot of job opportunities related to this. And a lot are trying to be green.

Councillor Rioux: Biggest concerns I don't think I'm all for encouraging renewable energy. A lot of curriculum in eng are being restructured. I do not believe in necessarily pushing out fossil fuels, completely unrealistic besides some students decide to do this its their choice I don't think its anyone else's place to say we condemn them for it. A lot of clubs get a lot of money from these companies. Any of you have heard of promoting women in eng nothing to do with fossil fuels, only get that funding from fossil fuels.

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: I think that the section in this policy that outlines advocating for more renewable energy focused research no matter how hard we



advocate the internships won't disappear immediately. Fair to take a stance against them. Pushing towards moving towards something necessarily means moving away from something else. Give that its moving towards renewable and way from fossil fuels.

Councillor Houston: Wondering if they would outline who was involved in writing process and if consultation was done with students, how do they have a stake in this?

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: Bulk written by Robyn she is an environment student went o later national negotiations. After writing policy along with me and other political campaign senator.

Houston: Great thank you. Wondering was there any consultation in groups of students – especially eng. A lot of science students too. Participating internships that this policy stands to change.

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: No consultation with these groups but we'd be open to consulting with them.

Councillor Ibrahim: In favor of motion often times talk about few people might have consulted in this process. Commend councillors who did consultation. Almost all faculty voted in favour of this I think students have spoken as much a discussion is good.

Councillor Chin: Thank you speaker concerned about some of inaccuracies – if you read last whereas clause – climate policy that link is dead. The most pressing concern is that you mention the motion climate change. We voted on climate change. Not one mention to climate justice. How come this policy only talks about climate change for a small part. Please clearly define what is climate justice and climate change?

Councillor Benrimoh: I will say I agree with Councillor Chin it's important to be accurate in what we say. It's necessary. While it makes total sense we don't transition overnight it makes sense long-term they are trying to change. The world lives in a dynamic equilibrium basically a question of shifting equilibrium. Society is moved by forces in opposition with each other As my faculty I am for this.

Councillor Rourke: Necessary to continue what was said in survey. Only 55% students responded to survey. Eng is a little overrepresented. Title was misleading, important note. Too much focus on justice and not enough on climate change I could go on a long while about eng I think this alienates those students so we have to consider how that affects other people.



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Councillor Rioux: Continue on that I don't think it's acceptable to say most faculties except eng. This is something I have studied. A lot of us study. I know energy I know how this works. The key thing is generally being reasonable. This policy is just not right. There are spelling mistakes. How many people actually read it line by line it's not everyone.

VP Moustaqim-Barrette: You guys had two weeks to read this, I'm sorry no one read this it's not my problem.

VP Chaim: Point out that if I were VP external I was not consulted on doing this motion, that has more to do with what motion suggests. I don't think this represents student body as a whole. Lola incoming to make a comment.

Councillor Conrad: Moderation – direct consultation at council after going over ideas, a lot of people in Eng were amenable to less justice and more climate change. We're not oblivious. They would be interested in working toward revision of this. That would be more correct. I will at some point referred to working group that includes people from multiple faculties. Not ready for yes or no.

Councillor Baraldi: Having more events focused on sustainability was a platform point of mine. I think this is a possibility. It can be done in collaboration with VP external.

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: Hesitation around use of word of climate justice – climate exchange is acknowledging situation and climate justice is actions taken to deal with it. Indigenous communities are very related to this. Very specifically about people having oil spills on their territories. These are people you're talking about it and that's the justice side people are having trouble with.

Councillor Chin: Wondering regarding clause 2.2 – can you please explain how climate change is related to racism sexism, transphobia, ableism and heterosexism.

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: Very lengthy conversation this is mostly talking about why capitalism is directed towards groups here. This is a very long conversation but it has a lot to do with industrial capitalism. I can recommend some quotes and stuff. Focusing on integrating that into organizing that's happening.

Councillor Ibrahim: Respond to point made earlier in terms of representing one's faculty. That is genuinely our role. Straightforward honestly. Especially if yes with changes is an option. Don't see how it's fair to be debating whether validating what they said. If they felt it was sufficient then that should be enough.

Councillor Conrad: agree we need a stance. I can't speak in favor of motion because I don't think it's fair at expense of job prospects of management eng and



science students. Not fair of us, cause is just, we I don't feel that as rep of my constituents they don't feel we should be hindering their job prospects. I know that's a very management thing to say so sorry but that's I've said.

President Ayukawa: I study sustainability so these are things that in addition to councillor Rioux's mentioning these are thing I often talk about in class so speak to chin's question – relevance of sexism, heterosexism etc – concrete example – Katrina affected people of lower socioeconomic status because couldn't afford to leave their homes. Sandy too because continued to work in days leading up to and days of hurricane. Statistically people of color than non.

Councillor Rourke: I think I did a good job of my opinion on all this – 1. Climate change policy important, not just students, everyone. not best policy to pass. Why: as it is you're not engaging all the students right now, greater support from student body, get everyone on board. People are opposed. I understand not perfect. Technology from engineering can be used to address this.

Councillor Rioux: Representation – yes we're representing most faculty are foreign, I'd like to council back to Farnangate. Three of us telling people that all of campus would be against, but e have to be behind all our constituents. If it's our needs we'll go with majority. That's why there's an uproar. We change the way we vote. If it's not something that s a clear fact, it's not known fact than maybe we should consider explaining a bit more.

Councillor Dunbar Lavoie: Great job of explaining, motion to previous question Speaker motion on the floor right now.

Houston: Want to quickly point out only 55% saying yes to policy, more to be done to approve. Specifically advocating fossil fuel supporting, student unions, no mention of working with student groups on campus with a ton of knowledge. Motion to refer the climate change policy to committees concerned with listed recommendations (posted online).

Speaker: Amenable and debatable.

Conrad: When you say debating the referral, can I speak to other reason it should be referred.

Speaker: It has to speak to motion to refer.

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: like to say again these are things you should have brought today. It's really frustrating that everyone is debating it for the first time. You want to refer a motion I was mandating to bring this semester.



Councillor Stewart Kanigan: Don't think referring it back to a work group will be productive always going to be resistance. This policy does a good job to mitigate these inconveniences. Focus jobs and internship opportunities not a better compromise other than no policy. Inconvenience or fear of inconvenience Part of policy in place many things in place you're not going to get anything out of referring this.

Councillor Chin: I do note frustration that cp external has toward councillor not reading, but I'd like to also point out that this was a mandate that was asked in general assembly in October 2014. This document is poorly written, inconsistencies, factual error, submitted outside steering committee. Deeply concerned that we are passing poorly written policy at last minute when clearly written as climate change in October 2014.

Councillor Rioux: I think that the motion to refer although frustrating it's just because exactly that. People have been going over it two week and trying to find what change they would like to see made. We can't just like oh we only have 15 people only recently we hit over 200 people. Not we have enough comments to refer this.

Councillor Ibrahim: This motion I feel like there's a lot of discomfort when any opinion expressed by students go against council. This is the greatest compromise yes very obvious that there are faculties against this. That's a fact and therefore we went forward with this consultation and I think all other faculties spoke in favor. We talk so much about backlash. I think to delay this any further, doesn't do justice to voices we saw.

Councillor Rourke: Because it didn't go through steering, this is kind of the only other alternative we have. I am 100% for representation, but I'm saying we can make a stronger policy. I think issue of climate policy is big enough to warrant a good policy. There are grammatical error in this policy. I don't think we can support that.

Councillor Conrad: (weird face.) VP Moustaqim said she was mandated so I was frustrated. You did, you took the first step and now people are sating lets go better. Early resistant to anything like this, let's be forward thinkers, let's be unified. People said they want to work on this together collectively.

Houston: Frustrating to refer this – I want to make it really clear that we did do our consultation; we saw only 55%, external policy normally require 2/3 majority. Not even 2/3 student in favor because external came too late we had to move council to accommodate. This is the best compromise – the policy makes no mention of either working with affected students or knowledgeable students on campus and I don't see that as best compromise.



Benrimoh: A lot of talking and a lot of intense feeling on both sides – I'll say the following: while totally fine with policy as it is I'll agree that considering the fact in terms of functional success that would have as a result of policy today I am okay with passing something that gets more faculties. We can always pass this again next year. Prefer collaboration over oppositional. There are people in eng who are into green eng not fossil fuels we need this policy willing to send it to review stronger policy without hindering. Also want to pass right away if that's what it comes to.

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: Motion to add resolved clause voted on today but reviewed over summer and brought back in September.

President Ayukawa: Amend the resolved clause in the motion so it fits the bylaws.

Friendly.

Speaker: The motion to refer does take precedence though. Should it fail, it can be reintroduced.

Councillor Nadifi: 1 and 5 are the same?

Councillor Houston: No 5 is talking specifically about statements in debate depending on level of knowledge, they can come up as unfounded without citations – factual and sourced info. The first one is spelling errors and formatting errors. VP external vs External Affairs. People pointing out a lot of spelling mistakes. And awkward syntax. That's the 1.

Councillor Houston: Why the VP external wants to pass it today and then further edited by a committee?

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: This is a very timely policy I think it's important to have a policy over summer to mobilize students. I think it's fine to have committee review it but important to have it today so VP External and SSMU start working on these things des maintenant.

Motion passed. Sent for referral.

President Ayukawa: Strongly encourage committee to change wording to reflect the IR of portfolio.

Councillor Ibrahim: When will this committee be struck?

Speaker: Immediately if not otherwise specified.



Houston: Robert's Rules does not allow you to refer things to an individual. So it would be up to VP External.

b. Motion Regarding the Adoption of the Policy for a Campus Free From Harmful Military Technology Development

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: policy to continue SSMU's efforts to have a campus that's more transparent in its contracts and not implicating itself in external military projects. SSMU has long been in support of. Transparency with regards to research happening on campus we've had strong stances on stronger regulations. Students deserve to know that. University has historically been difficult in letting us know what's happening. Ongoing a lot of student organizing around this.

Councillor Rourke: Survey results only faculty agree 100% was faculty of medicine. A lot of backlash. A lot of it was directed at militarize McGill. One part majority students did support was that greater transparency was important. In terms of what are conditions. Point blank against what is harmful and who decides was not something they wanted.

Councillor Rioux: I read through all comments. A lot of students did have concerns one was vagueness. Most things can be considered at some point to be originated in military research. One of the things that was mentioned a few times is about the money related to those things if you're advocating to lower tuition and this it doesn't make sense.

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: Wouldn't be opposed to prosthetic limbs and such because harmful – vagueness issue. That is the definition of harmful specifically referenced. I do understand that a lot of medical technology comes from military. Relatively narrows scope not talking about anything that military is doing. I would say that the survey results are likely distorted by that this is everything that demilitarize McGill does.

Councillor Chin: Demilitarize McGill was consulted and what was their participation and how will that fit into this policy?

Councillor Benrimoh: Both by the principles of our faculty and survey results while yes not very good were still there. I support this motion I have to say that that it's much better well written as stand, harmful definition is very important and that's important to medicine. Never could endorse creation of bombs or harmful technology. The university should not be a place given out of commitment to progress and education and freedom should not be involved with developing of weapons. Military doesn't need us for that they can do it on their own. We are not going to help with things that lead to harm. We're not going to become magically less powerful than anyone else.



Councillor Conrad: Superscript 9 – comments made about only aiming at technology that is harmful to people. Micro hydraulic toolkit, robot, virtual lab, nothing about harmful, just robots moving.

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: I would just like to say that highly in favor of motion well written straight forward taking stance against harmful military research. Take this motion as is. Very straight forwards very basic. We've taken a position on this time and time again,

Motion to amend Councillor Conrad – take out superscript 9 – and developing multi degree of freedom robot.

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: Purpose of this is to enhance soldiers actions in combat mission. The purpose of this is to act in combat.

Councillor Benrimoh: I get the purpose of amendment but I have to disagree and the reason is if we were development the same technology for mars robot – it would still get to the military but the principle is we are not developing straight to military. If it's a robot that is carrying weapons for soldiers, it'll happen regardless but it shouldn't be happening on university. Making a stand that we will not directly support combat actions. I love the robot; robot is great, but not done here.

Councillor Rioux: Echo and agree with Conrad's motion especially the department of defence of USA. Not all of that is relative of combat, I don't there are a lot of labs that don't that their objective are for space. I don't think it matters where it comes from.

Councillor Rourke: I believe that we don't want research that is creating bombs, but the problem is that 1. Is not what the policy is saying. The same technology sued for war can also be used for other ends.

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: I don't think anyone wants to make this a very broad scary policy and unreasonable applications were talking about applications research is contracted to do. This is explicitly saying it's to enhance soldiers performance. It's to make military actions easier. Not a stretch, it's what it's for. That's the kind of thing this policy is addressing.

Councillor Conrad: I think I'm almost agreeing, this is why I've proposed this amendment, I don't see it as being specifically to harm people. There's someone who's good at engineering – it's hard to find work, you're telling this person he can't do anything. I was speaking during mech eng who was building a robot arm that does the same things.



Benrimoh: Conrad point about the student makes sense not about student himself just about provision of contract, he could be working for medical transport robots bottom of mines a lot of applications for this. The point is an university should not be encouraging military to sink research dollars. Starts off carrying weapons, already got a gun on it already. Not about technology itself it's about the contract.

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: I know department of national definitely in states fund a lot of stuff, that's why it's not structured in a way that says point blank that way just project related.

Councillor Ibrahim: Last GA.

Motion passes
Amendment passed.

Houston: Comments about last GA motion relating to this. I think it worth considering I think we need to realize to keep in mind that 200 students responded and 25% agreed. Important. Concerns about representative all councillor had an opportunity to hear this. Student spoke very clearly they weren't in favor.

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: Motion to amend to address some concerns I think policy is perceived more board reaching than it is. Amend BIR clause. Military technologies intended to inflict harm on people.

Friendly.

Councillor Rourke: when we wrote the survey we wrote a description e even changed it to say certain activities we didn't do anything to bias results we tried to say it exactly as it is. Possibly largely because it supports demilitarize McGill. Very clearly tried to tell them exactly what the policy unfortunately cannot vote yes for this. But after comments see that transparency is important it might have not failed if it were specifically narrowing definition of harmful technology. I might support parts of it.

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: I think that most people you talk to I recognize there's a lot of tension around demilitarize McGill make it really clear the any actions that SSMU would take campaigns to change we've been offered to support them on more controversial things like remembrance day we have been very specific that's what well support. Any amendment this isn't a point blank endorsement.

Councillor Conrad: Comment that demilitarize isn't in motion. This largely takes away credibility of motion. A lot of people dislike demilitarize. More than SSMU



most of the time. It's a bad political move to include it here. Reflection of how we present things.

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: Demilitarize's website is referenced they've done most research in past a lot of stuff reference is links to access of info requests they've gotten. They are the people who have been the most adamant. I do understand that it's negatively associated. We can get a lot more specific in what we're talking about.

VP Bradley: Motion to reduce speaking times to 1 time.

Motion fails

Motion to limit to 2 speakers Councillor Houston Passed.

Councillor Chin: Repeat set of questions what is level of involvement and what extent are they involved in this motion and what organization act in this motion.

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: Demilitarize McGill was too involved in this policy some of the content was consulted on this but they haven't been involved. I think in speaking to them they know were bringing this forward but it is from me. It is a lot more moderate than they'd want.

Conrad: Motion to amend take away BIR regarding students just spoke to movers there's like zero student research if it's friendly I motion to take it away.

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: I feel like that one of the things is that it could be limiting their research then okay but if the other eng could comment on that please?

Councillor Conrad: I would like to strike it because it is irrelevant. There is not student research regarding military.

Councillor Benrimoh: Still don't understand purpose of amendment.. what its saying is that it supports research that doesn't have bend towards military. I don't see what's wrong with it is. Gives spirit to motion.

Councillor Chin: Disagree with Benrimoh: having this BIR would imply that these students are doing research in this domain. Afraid that this would only create misunderstanding propagating.

Amendment fails

Motion to divide the question Councillor Stewart Kanigan: vote on each clause separately except last three. Three together – 4-5-6.

Clause 1



**Roll call vote by Houston.
In order.**

President Ayukawa: Yes
Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: Yes
Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: Yes
VP Chaim: Yes
VP Fong: Abstain
VP Bradley: No
Baraldi: Yes
Pat: Yes
Councillor Lin: Yes
Shaw: Yes
Councillor Weaver: Abstain
Cavallas: Yes
Rioux: No
Councillor Conrad: abstain
Michaud: Yes
Carolan: No
Chin: Yes
Zhang: Yes
Medvedev: Yes
Nadifi: Yes
Houston: No
Councillor El-Sharawy: No
Councillor Ibrahim: Yes
Councillor Benrimoh: Yes
Councillor Rourke: Abstain
Bidar: Yes

Clause 2
President Ayukawa: Yes
Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: Yes
Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: Yes
VP Chaim: No
VP Fong: Abstain
VP Bradley: Yes
Baraldi: Yes
Patrick: Yes
Lin: Yes
Shah: No
Weaver: Abstain
Cavallos: Yes
Rioux: No
Conrad: No



Michaud: Yes

Carolan: No

Chin: No

Zhang: Yes

Nadifi: Yes

Medvedev: Abstain

No

No

Abstain

Yes

No

Clause 3

President Ayukawa: Abstain

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: yes

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: yes

VP Chaim: yes

VP Fong: no

(GET ROLL CALL VOTE FROM PARLIAMENTARIAN)

Last 3 clauses pass.

Clause 1 and last three passed.

Clause 2, 3 failed.

c. Motion Regarding Policy on Consent Education and Sexual Assault and Sexual Violence-Related Policy Advocacy

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: As outlined at previous council introducing this on campus requires long-term advocacy. It also has an additional commitment to us to continuing and sexual harassment a lot of issues with policy part of making campus safer community.

Councillor Conrad: I thought we were currently drafting the policy? Is this intermediate?

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: This is continued to work on policy mandate. Who knows what will happen.

Motion passes.

d. Motion Regarding Support of the Peer Support Network and the Mental Health Space on Campus

Councillor Rourke: Bring this forward because no space on campus huge problem and only 4 hrs a week operations and that's a big problem. Great if they could offer more. And the second reason is because if you look at section g a lot of stipulation that are there are really great and would benefit involvement to other space.



VP Fong: Why go through process of supporting externally versus internally supporting them?

President Ayukawa: Concerned that whereas clause is university providing mental health services student picking up where university isn't providing stuff. I common theme this year. Second thing slightly uncomfortable Rourke mover she is a volunteer peer support network, conflict of interest. I would just like Rourke to address it.

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: Of course we all like PSN we do have own services at SSMU and advocating for them and their needs is a full time job, trying to help PSN find space is full time, they should go through work that everyone else does. I think there's enough on VP UA mental health portfolio without external groups.

Councillor Rourke: Not our place to tell them to become a service, I'm not a chair. I just volunteer it's their decision though. It would be nice to support them as service. I'm not going to be volunteering with them next year and it's in mandate of UA wanted to bring it to UA this is not meant to take on these advocacies efforts of PSN they're going to continue themselves just to support them not outsourcing to external group this would be available for SSMU they would be involved in that space because of overlap. I think supporting this is essential. Addressing university stepping up not a supplement I think it's an addition it's meant to contribute to culture of destigmatizing mental health.

Councillor Weaver: Mostly about space for PSN? It seems like PSN wants a lot of benefits of being a service but without any of the oversight or responsibility to SSMU that services have. Services deal with issues with finding space. Benrimoh: sensing a lot of hostility is misplaced in collaboration . we have to do as part of mental health plan mental health has been prioritized it doesn't said PSN it says work with PSN. Have a space for mental health space. Help PSN and other people. Also not a question of McGill stepping up this is the provision for student run services.

Councillor Ibrahim: I felt like awkwardness is why PSN being prioritized. Would you be amenable to including other services there?

Councillor Rourke: To give you a bit of background knowledge. Right now getting additional hours at another room. They don't want a space just dedicated to them. They just want a space they can use. Mobile even. The reason coming to council is to make it part of my mandate next year if the current VP UA makes it part of their mandate it makes it easier to get that. I would be happy to add nightline and anyone else just as much. SSMU is made for that. PSN is a nice compliment to that. Comprehensive plan.



VP Fong: Apprehensive about mandating a use of space. Space is limited and it's incredibly hard to balance needs of all the people in the building. Do you envision the space looking like I want to know what you envision is compatible with the building vs prioritizing what we already have.

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: Restating what's in the mental health plan it's something that you'll have to work within UA portfolio specifically prioritizing PSN. Working towards same thing regardless of passing motion. Starts a precedent.

President Ayukawa: I obviously agree with motion in spirit. Concerned with beginning to make exceptions. Just opening this door to helping any group on campus that is student run to do what they want. They can become an ISG and get access to these things. The last BIR is restating in mental health plan so because the last BIR clause I have concerns.

Houston: Reiterate the fact that this is already in mental health plan. It's already happening this motion specifically mentioned this. I am not entirely in agreement with that that should be an ISG or club. We work with all kinds of groups I don't think supporting BSN here is not supporting other groups. I don't think the fact that other groups will want to do the same is a reason to vote against.

Councillor Rourke: The last BIR clause is something already in plan the reason why BIR it doesn't say that PSN use space at all. PSN is a logical link between mental health policies. We do support external groups. They are involved already.

Councillor Benrimoh: Mental health policy clearly states must support mental health groups. If you want to talk about walking the line this is something students need because suffering this is a service to help people get through their studies. It is beyond what we usually do. If you want to put a amendment fine but the more we delay the more we don't help.

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: This was initially framed as a space issue but then turn around and say isn't for PSN those two things are contradicting each other. You don't need to pass another motion to do this. It is to prioritize UAs time to help a particular service not a SSMU service to find a space on campus. PSN will of course be involved as outlined in plan. Consistency in that regard would be nice.

Councillor Rourke: Not making this clear. This is saying to assist PSN in advocacy to find space on campus. No guarantee or mandate. Help them. Reason I think this is within mandate show desperately needed on campus. Good thing needs to be supported. Not taking away from anything else. Doesn't say prioritize PSN anywhere in motion the last part is allowing UA to work with them all the time.



VP Fong: I am completely unopposed to having a space in building dedicated to mental health. We do have a policy that says that C and S are priority. To give a space to mental health in any capacity would undoubtedly mean removing cubs and services doesn't supersede policies adopted beforehand though.

Councillor Stewart Kanigan: Note that I do support PSN one do the first things that I did was to advocate for training during summertime that was a calculation I thought was okay. We don't want to put a burden on them to pay feed. I personally feel like I'm not being unaccommodating to them it is implied that space is for PSN. Accommodation is reasonable.

Councillor Rourke: if someone wants to propose an amendment to say it snot specific to PSN I would be totally amendable for that. It makes the most sense to at least consult them.

Motion to amend consult relevant mental health groups on campus Fong.

Councillor Rourke: I would interpret PSN to be part of mental health groups. The spirit was to be talking and working with them A representative sits on mental health community. And because they're a member of mental health community.

Councillor Houston: Raised my placard that last two BIR clauses are not together. Giving a whole space to PSN supporting them in need to a space.

Involving them in space.

Motion to previous question.

Motion passed.

Councillor Rourke abstained.

e. Motion Regarding the Adoption of the Internal Regulations of the Clubs and Services Portfolio

VP Fong: As mentioned last council when found out no time to go over bylaws, just wrote all myself. I added the new one as Appendix A and old as Appendix B and list of changes as appendix c. I standardized formatting, part A is new interpretation of bylaws part b is also new, small amendments in part c and d consolidating all responsibilities.

Motion passed.

f. Motion Regarding Changes to the Policy Regarding Executive Officers' Contracts and Job Descriptions

Motion to amend FY fund added to description. President Ayukawa. Friendly.

Councillor Conrad: Don't see different between IR and these?



President Ayukawa: Policy adopted at GA that outlines job descriptions. These are given to us alongside our contracts. These are the job descriptions that we are accountable to. These are all included in constitution but they're more general summaries.

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: Question: some of these descriptions have same requirements for the job are not those implantable at all if not why are they there? One of the required qualifications is to be bilingual. Not implemented here. Way to implement that or not?

President Ayukawa: It's implementable in the sense that they can choose to impeach the VP external if not met. Also something that the execs are bringing up in their meetings.

Councillor Conrad: Grammatical error in p. 18.

Friendly.

Councillor Conrad: Changes that should be made regarding the president section – experience working with society is highly recommended. I understand why there but to me I doesn't seem to be going with democracy. Theoretically anyone can run for president.

President Ayukawa: Used to be mandatory but I thought it was more optional so much of this is quickly reacting to high level decision. I definitely feel like I made decision I would have made differently with more experience. Without that it would be detrimental. Also highly recommended but not mandatory where I think it might need to be. This is a qualification hat is tough to enforce so they can impeach them.

e. Motion regarding funding of clubs

VP Fong: Allocated by semester and we wanted to change that so its budgetary fund ability to apply for year and then have allocation be granted in installments. Tie second installments to accountability measures. That's the gist of it. Club fund doesn't have specific articles in by laws.

Houston: If the numbers could be fixed before final.

Friendly.

Motion passed.

f. Long-Term Budget

VP Bradley: Nest now 2nd floor operations. Food and beverage operations. Gert's now up to volume normal. Slight profit. Corresponding reduction in rent because no commercial tenants. Additional 40k\$ allocated to club manager position. Will



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help with administration load. External affairs, 10k\$ speaker series has been removed. GA – likely won't have very political motions so no more security costs. Old McGill will break even. Break even.

Houston: Just to clarify – negative numbers are profits?

VP Bradley: yes.

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: Francophone Affairs budget higher than 1200?

VP Bradley: This is the budget that was approved in February.

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: That's one think I take issue with then.

VP Bradley: This is the budget as it stands feel free to not approve it.

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan: Not sure if missed something but why does equity have so much money compared to mental health.

Bradley: That's what you asked for.

VP Stewart-Kanigan: Strange HR situation this year?

VP Bradley: They can change that in October.

President Ayukawa: Did you include the increase in rent and utilities that happens every year?

Bradley: Yes.

Approved.

Houston abstained.

g. Long term Financial Plan

VP Bradley: [goes over report.] I did three years because McGill does not have it together for renovating spaces. CERF is at 500k\$. After 50k\$ transfer this year. 2.91 million. My recommendation would be capital intensive years in 2017. I've also assumed that not possible though. No investment portfolio this year but stay tuned. Lev Bukman will be renovating this room.

Routine capital expenditures – upkeep.

Gert's getting a facelift and new furniture. Also new lights.

2nd floor operations. Food service counters up and running.



2016 2017 is going to be a heavy year for capital investments. SSMU's office renovations are happening too. Same thing with operations renovations. The caf project, major overall of caf space. Gert's terrace.

HVAC system this year is the massive project this year. 250k\$ expense. Massive hazard. No way of getting around that. Spacing out over a couple of years. After 2019 major capital improvements will slow down. Also see an investment portfolio analysis. Not doing so well this year. Mostly the markets.

Councillor Chin: Gert's terrace – will that be built on the SSMU building territory?

VP Bradley: Project is in collaboration with Montreal and McGill.

Councillor Chin: Is cost of permit included?

VP Bradley: It's like a 100\$.

President Ayukawa: Why are we paying for hvac for rented building?

VP Bradley: 250k\$ vs 6 million so it's okay.

Councillor Benrimoh: Investment portfolio – assuming interest rates go up to what extent will that boost our portfolio.

VP Bradley: 50/50.

Councillor Shah: There's a couple of typos.

VP Bradley: Very possible there's typos literally just did this.

Approved.

Councillor Houston abstained.

h. Motion regarding interim provisions for senators.

Passed.

Motion to caucus until 12:35 to give people time to attend to bodily needs.

Motion suspend the rules and move the committees that need approval up in agenda by President Ayukawa.

Passed.

10) Reports by Committees

a. Nominating Committee

GM Varkonyi: Reads report.

Motion to approve Councillor Shah.

Passed.



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b. IGC

Fong: Reads report.

Councillor Ibrahim: I spoke with a student in relation to McGill students for feminism they felt like they were misheard. F-word – publication. Wondering if you could speak to that.

VP Fong: That one was difficult. When an application comes all the information that the IGC committee has is the application itself. It wasn't strong. Also an issue with mandate. The application was sent back – they were asked to improve it and address issues. And clarify the overlap. They came back, but IGC still felt that it did not address the issue enough.

**Motion to approve Councillor Ibrahim
Passed.**

c. Exec Report

President Ayukawa: Reads report.

**Motion to approve VP Bradley
Passed.**

d. Services Review committee

VP Fong: Reads report.

**Motion to approve VP Bradley
Approved.**

e. Funding Committee

**Motion to approve Councillor Dunbar Lavoie
Approved.**

f. Sustainability Committee

Recommendation adopted.

11) Reports by Councillors

Motion to do a go round for each councillor to say what they did to promote the student experience survey.

Speaker: Yes, but reports first.

a. Councillor Baraldi

Reads report

Councillor Chin: Regarding Snax: what does McGill administration define as sandwich?



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Councillor Baraldi: They say it's processed food. First they use that for sandwiches, and we used burritos, but we're trying to define it in negotiations.

VP Chaim: Anyone else resigning?

Councillor Baraldi: No.

b. Councillor Dunbar Lavoie

Councillor Dunbar Lavoie: the answer to the question is social media feel free to impeach me. It's been a good year. Nothing really to report. Been a pleasure working alongside all of you this year. And yes.

c. Councillor Shah

Word of mouth, Stefan came and spoke at assembly and he asked what time it was and I told him the right time.

Board of Directors

Nominees approved

Spoke at Arts and Science Assembly.

Sorry it was late.

Arts and Sciences committee was pretty basic.

d. Councillor Weaver

Accountability committee, we met last week and made up timeline for next year. I think execs reviews are out. The services review committee we had quorum and reviewed a bunch of constitution and made notes. I started my exit report. Going to meet with candidates for services rep for tomorrow. Student Experience – I went to services individually and then asked them to put it on their social media. A bunch agreed and a bunch more said they would promote it. OC is having its last day next Tuesday. I reviewed the SSMU regulations last night.

e. Councillor Nadifi

On a eu une réunion élections pour EUS on a fait tous les candidats rencontrer la personne qui nous remplacée bientôt puis avec Medvedev on fait un mixer avec médecine puis nursing. 30 mars on a eu notre réunion POTUS. Sénateur Benrimoh qui est venu nous parler du Sénat. Project Boivin: les cours finis alors pas tant que ça.

Survey thing : only shared through social media. And I talked about it during an event.

Councillor Chin: Concernant votre représentation sur le Sénat, c'est quoi le rôle de Councillor Benrimoh au sein du Sénat? Comment est ce que ce projet de loi affectera la carrière de POTUS?

Councillor Nadifi : Nous on n'est pas au courant de ce qui se passe au Sénat alors on voulait une meilleur relation entre le Sénat et POTUS. On voulait aussi



son input sur les enjeux. La deuxième question – ca nous affecte pas tant que ca. On pensait peut-être être signataire d'une lettre, mais pas des grèves.

Benrimoh : We talked about a bunch of things, what did you just decide about Loi 20?

Councillor Nadifi: I did a survey and can send you the results. We were supposed to decide on things like that.

f. Report on what was done to promote Student Experience Survey

Councillor Ibrahim: Lovely year with you all. Thanks for the good times. In terms of student experience survey I posted it everywhere. I shared on pages of different groups. I sent list serv. Hashtagged free pizza but not much traction. Excited for next year.

VP Fong: If we were to make a music video, would you participate?

Councillor Ibrahim: Yes.

Bidar: Talked to faculty and put it on Facebook page. Unfortunately many different, I don't have the principal access but I communicated with those who post there.

Councillor Benrimoh: Facebook medicine. Told people. List serv.

Councillor Houston: Had VP clubs and services come to GC. Badgered them. SUS list serv. Sharing posts. Messaging and emailing representatives. Classroom announcements.

Councillor Rourke: Social media. Cover photo. Assembly.

Councillor Lin: Social media. Sociology class.

Councillor Zhang: Social media. Told all my friends. Invited to event page. Classroom announcements.

Councillor Conrad: Eng c list stardom to let everyone know. I got a bunch of execs to do it. Class announcement in 3/5 posted on Us group. Mentioned at council. Frostbite.

Councillor Michaud: Posted it on Facebook. Social media.

Councillor Chin: Post it on social media.

12)Committee Reports



a. Accountability Committee

[reads report]

b. Ad Hoc Club Hub

VP Chaim: Do you just not like me or..?

Councillor Benrimoh: We split it up.

Councillor Houston: In the future would you do them twice a year?

Councillor Benrimoh: Yes. Midterm and end of year.

President Ayukawa: I fear that the reviews will be not representative of what life is really like as an exec. I'm looking on our McGill and they quote the tribune's review of me. I would argue that those reviews are relatively not well done. The Tribute's great, but really difficult you don't see the execs until 10 pm at night. I feel it would be really interesting to add a peer review for execs.

Councillor Benrimoh: Good idea! We can add that in as a second review. It's very hard job. We were generous if you fail the job you failed the job. The fact of matter is that you are mandated to. If you don't have time, it's not your fault. We have to ask ourselves can this go better. It's a reality but we have to adjust work flow. I know how this feels. If it cannot be done it needs to be dropped or redone.

Councillor Rourke: Accountability reports are important I think the people on council are there to do reviews, that's something the accountability should be taking into consideration. There's somewhat of an awkwardness on some level.

Councillor Weaver: I think peer reviews is a good idea. Obviously none of us know what it's like to be an execs. We did interview, I looked up media to look up campaign promises. Their reports the constitution. It was long. Councillor Benrimoh it's not like you had all the time in the world to get things done.

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: I thought reviews were awesome. I think that a peer review makes a lot of sense. What I didn't like was that there are things that come up that we have to deal with that weren't in job description.

Councillor Benrimoh: It's a fair point; what I think we can do is we can modify the interview. We can modify the questions to add what you didn't expect.

c. Ad Hoc Club Hub

VP Fong: Reads report.

Councillor Chin: Regarding successor, has she been fully informed of all of this and what is her commitment and how much effort is required?



VP Fong: Yes. She was part of research phase. In terms of effort – part of job description is helping institutionalize the project, development phase will it depends on amount of hassle we have for implementation phase.

d. External Affairs and Mobilization Committee

Councillor Benrimoh: What is included in demo kits and are the demo buddies trained in first aid?

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: No. Just walk safe kind of thing. It would be really cool if they were. They have thing that you put in your eyes to get rid of tear gas. Flyers about knowing your rights about traffic police. Food. And candy.

Councillor Chin: Representation is at discretion – who sits on this committee?

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: I think it's stupid. It's meant to advise VP external. But it's just random people sitting on it. Not representative. The mobilization committee is to mobilize around issues that stances has been taken on.

Councillor Conrad: Austerity – any on group that is unified or multiple groups? In front of the bay at that square. Who's controlling this?

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: Night demos, more aggressive people. During the day April 2nd thousands. Police declares a demo illegal if you don't declare your route. That usually happens within half an hour of them starting. When they're declared they come in and do stuff.

Councillor Chin: These students who joined your two committees are they truly free spirit or just really interested in external affairs or parts of groups in those domains?

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: It's just students interested in it. Just people who answer the callouts we make. For mobilization committee it was also the case.

Bidar: Have we taken any steps towards education about austerity for students?

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: Passed motion last council, supposed to be sent out before April 2nd. I need to rewrite it, it will be sent again soon.

e. Operations management

Reads report

13) Reports by Executives

a. VP University Affairs

Councillor Stewart-Kanigan reads report

Councillor Baraldi: Congrats on being arts valedictorian.



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b. VP External Affairs

Reads report

Councillor Benrimoh: Anything happen with austerity thing?

Councillor Moustaqim-Barrette: Never received any info on that. Sorry.

c. VP Internal

Councillor Shah: Dearest Internal, thanks so much for your report, is beach day the best?

VP Chaim: Beach day is the best, thank you for the question.

d. VP Clubs and Services

Fong reads report

e. VP Finance and Operations

f. President

Councillor Houston: If the Board of Directors doesn't make quorum what are the tangible consequences?

President Ayukawa: We don't have a board until the fall. If there's a board hearing that makes a decisions that needs ratifying, can't be ratified.

Councillor Houston: Board until end of May?

President Ayukawa: End of April.

Councillor Rourke: What does ratifying mean? Can that be included in an email?

President Ayukawa: The email might not be able to be translated in French.

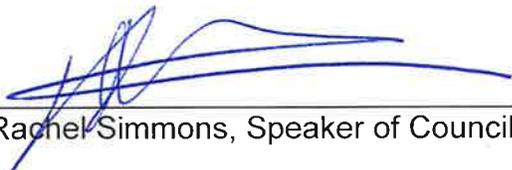
14) Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by VP Chaim

Seconded by Councillor Dunbar Lavoie.

Meeting adjourned at 2:08am.

Recommendation to approve from 2014-2015 year:



Rachel Simmons, Speaker of Council 2014-2015

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Benjamin Dionne, Speaker of Council 2015-2016

2015/09/17

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Danielle Zhang, Recording Secretary 2015-2016

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