



# SSMU BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC MINUTES

March 19, 2020

The Board of Directors meeting of the Students' Society of McGill University (SSMU) will be held by teleconference on Thursday, March 19, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Lauren Hill (Chair, non-voting), Sam Haward (Officer, non-voting), Bryan Buraga (Officer), Sanchi Bhalla (Officer), Adam Gwiazda-Amsel (Officer), Rohan Bhutkar (Legislative Councillor), Ana Paula Sanchez (Member-at-Large), Adin Chan (Legislative Councillor), Jonah Levitt (Member-at-Large), Mustafa Fakh (Legislative Councillor), Jack Kline (Member-at-Large), André Lametti (Legislative Councillor), Daniel Dufour (General Manager, non-voting), Michal Chernov (Governance Manager, non-voting), Iris He (International Student Representative, non-voting)

Absent: Billy Kawasaki (Officer), Paige Collins (Member-at-Large), Madeline Wilson (Officer, non-voting)

1. Call to Order: **18:04**

The Speaker calls the meeting to order at 18:04.

2. Land Acknowledgement

*The SSMU acknowledges that McGill University is situated on the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe nations, a place which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange amongst Indigenous peoples. The SSMU recognizes and respects these nations as the traditional custodians of the land and water on which it is located.*

3. Adoption of the Agenda --**ADOPTED**

4. Report of the Executive Committee --**ADOPTED**

Director Buraga explains that the report of the Executive Committee is available to all members, and to direct any questions to him if any of the members of the Board have any concerns.

5. Legislative Council Motions for Ratification

- a. [Motion Regarding Policy on Financial Matters of Council 2020-02-27](#) --**UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**



- b. [Motion to approve Motion to sign on to ASGEM Open Letter 2020-03-12](#)  
**--UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**
  - c. [Motion Regarding Condemnation of Changes to Harm Reduction Approach within SHHS and Student Services 2020-03-12](#) **--UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**
  - d. [Report-Clubs Committee 2020-03-12](#) **--UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**
6. Email Approvals
- a. [Motion to approve Report - Comprehensive Governance Review Committee 2020-03-12](#) **-- UNANIMOUS APPROVAL 2020-03-13**
  - b. [Motion to approve Motion Regarding Discretionary Funding for the UGE 2020-03-12 2020-03-12](#) **-- UNANIMOUS APPROVAL 2020-03-13**
  - c. [Motion to approve Motion Regarding First Year Council Fee Referendum Question 2020-03-12](#) 2020-03-12 **-- UNANIMOUS APPROVAL 2020-03-13**
  - d. [Motion to approve Motion Regarding Increase and Nature of the Charity Fund 2020-03-12](#) 2020-03-12 **-- UNANIMOUS APPROVAL 2020-03-13**
  - e. [Motion to approve Motion Regarding Plate Club Fee Referendum Question 2020-03-12](#) 2020-03-12 **-- UNANIMOUS APPROVAL 2020-03-13**
  - f. [Motion to approve Motion Regarding Proposed Increase to Indigenous Equity Fee 2020-03-12](#) 2020-03-12 **-- UNANIMOUS APPROVAL 2020-03-13**
  - g. [Motion to approve Motion Regarding SSMU Menstrual Hygiene Products Fee Referendum Question 2020-03-12](#) 2020-03-12 **-- UNANIMOUS APPROVAL 2020-03-13**
  - h. Motion to approve Motion to pass an Interim Provision to suspend the fourteen (14) day deadline for the approval for Referendum questions mentioned in the Internal Regulations of Elections and Referenda, Section 4, Articles 1.2, 1.3, 1.4 until April 1st, 2020 2020-03-12 **-- UNANIMOUS APPROVAL 2020-03-13**
7. Minutes for Approval
- a. Board of Directors Public Minutes 2020-03-06 **--UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**
8. Motions for Approval

There are no motions for approval.



9. For Discussion

a. Nominating Committee Progress

Director Levitt clarifies that not much has changed over the last two weeks, and although there was some discussion over the Awards of Distinction a few weeks ago- this has been put on hold due to everything going on because of COVID-19. Director Levitt states that in terms of Directors and Judicial Board, all positions have been filled and as a result they do not have any pressing matters for the time being.

10. Confidential Session: **18:13**

The Board of Directors enter into a confidential session at 18:13.

11. Adjournment: **20:12**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Buraga'.

Bryan Buraga, President

APPROVED