MOTION REGARDING AMENDMENTS TO THE COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE 2020-01-30

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ISSUE

The Students’ Society of McGill University (SSMU) Health and Dental Review Committee shall review the Health and Dental Plan and propose options for improvements to the plan. Currently, although mental health services are covered by the Health and Dental Plan, the mental health commissioner does not have a seat on this committee.

BACKGROUND AND RATIONALE

The mandate of the Health and Dental Review Committee includes reviewing and evaluating the coverage provided by the SSMU Health and Dental Plan. Professional services, including psychological and psychiatric services are covered by the Health and Dental Plan. Currently there are no members from the SSMU Mental Health Commission who sit on the committee.

ALIGNMENT WITH MISSION

The role of the SSMU Mental Health Commissioner includes advocating for mental health resources. Thus, having a seat on the Health and Dental Review Committee will allow the commissioner to evaluate the needs of mental health resources as well as offer considerations to this effect for the Health and Dental Insurance Policy. As mental health is a central issue for student wellbeing on campus, it is paramount that the input of the mental health commissioner be considered when constructing the insurance policy.
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<th><strong>Consultations Completed</strong></th>
<th>The Medicine Representative was consulted as well as the Vice-President (Finance).</th>
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<td><strong>Risk Factors and Resource Implications</strong></td>
<td>The Mental Health Commissioner may require additional hours added to their casual staff employment contract in the event that attending meetings of the Health and Dental Review Committee limits their ability to fulfil the functions required in their position.</td>
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<td><strong>Sustainability Considerations</strong></td>
<td>There are no applicable sustainability considerations.</td>
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<td><strong>Impact of Decision and Next Steps</strong></td>
<td>Decision and motion are public information, no communications strategy needed until after committee work is completed. Work will be undertaken by the Mental Health Commissioner to join meetings with the newly composed committee.</td>
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<td><strong>Motion or Resolution for Approval</strong></td>
<td>Be it resolved that the Legislative Council amend the Health and Dental Review Committee Terms of Reference as written in Appendix A;</td>
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| **Results of the Vote** | In favour (18)  
Opposed (0)  
Abstain (0) |
Appendix A

4. Health and Dental Review Committee

4.1. Oversight

The Health and Dental Review Committee shall be a Committee of the Board of Directors.

4.2. General

The Health and Dental Review Committee shall review the Health and Dental Plan and propose options for improvements to the plan.

4.3. Functions

The Health and Dental Committee shall:

a. review and evaluate the coverage provided by the SSMU Health and Dental Plan;
b. review data regarding the usage of the plan by SSMU Members;
c. approve any changes to the coverage provided in the current Health and Dental Plan;
d. receive and review the ASEQ annual claims report.

e. review and make recommendations to the Health and Dental Review Committee’s terms of reference at the end of the year.

4.4. Membership

The Health and Dental Review Committee shall consist of:

a. the Vice-President (Finance, Co-Chair);
b. the President (Co-Chair);
c. two (2) Directors;
d. the Medicine representative of Legislative Council;
e. the Dentistry representative of Legislative Council;
f. the Nursing representative of Legislative Council;
g. the Physical and Occupational Therapy Representative of Legislative Council;
h. three (3) Members at Large;

i. Mental Health Commissioner.

4.5. Meetings
The Health and Dental Review Committee will meet once a month. Additional meetings are at the
discretion of the Co-Chairs.

4.6. Quorum

The quorum for the Health and Dental Review Committee is a simple majority of the voting members.

4.7. Reporting

The Health and Dental Review Committee shall report to both the Legislative Council and the Board of
Directors in March.

4.8. Committee Specific

4.8.1. Consulted Members The Health and Dental Review Committee is encouraged to consult
the Vice-President (Student Life) and Mental Health Commissioners with regards to the
coverage of Mental Health resources.

4.8.2. Significant Plan Changes The Health and Dental Review Committee will present to
Legislative Council if any significant changes are made to the Health and Dental plan.
Significant changes include any new types of coverage or large change in coverage allocation.