



# NOTICE OF MOTION REGARDING THE CREATION OF A SERVICES COMMITTEE 2020-02-13

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**Issue** The Services of the Student's Society of McGill University (SSMU) are currently lacking a forum in which to discuss collective struggles and goals. They are thus unable to organize and plan actions as a collective.

**Background and Rationale** While Services retain a certain level of autonomy under the SSMU, there are still major decisions that impact the operations of Services. The creation of a Services Committee would provide a regular forum for Services to discuss any individual or collective challenges they may be facing, the ways they have been affected by the SSMU's policies, and ways the Services may work together to better their performance.

The idea was brought up in a meeting between representatives of all fifteen (15) current Services on January 15, 2020 and the idea of a Services Committee was supported by most, if not all of the m.

**Alignment with Mission** The creation of a Services Committee would allow the SSMU to better support our Services and reinforce the fact that they (along with Clubs) are the Society's highest priority.



## Consultations Completed

The Vice-President (Student Life) was consulted as well as executives from the Services.

## Risk Factors and Resource Implications

The formation of this committee would increase the number of committees the Services Representative is a part of ex officio from one (1) to two (2).

Additionally, the Services Administrative Assistant will have an additional committee to attend, which may impact the hours needed on their contract.

## Sustainability Considerations

The formation of this committee has no applicable sustainability considerations.

## Impact of Decision and Next Steps

Decision and motion are public information, no communications strategy needed other than to let the Services know that the motion passed. Work will be undertaken by the Services Representative to begin meetings.

## Motion or Resolution for Approval

Be it resolved, that the Committee Terms of Reference Book be amended to include the Services Committee, detailed in Appendix A.

## Results of the Vote

In favour ( )  
Opposed ( )  
Abstain ( )



## Appendix A

### 4. Services Committee

#### 4.1. Oversight

The Services Committee shall be a Committee of the Legislative Council.

#### 4.2. General

The Services Committee shall serve as a consultative body for the improvement of Policies related to the Society's Services. In addition, the Services Committee shall serve as a forum for the Society's Services to discuss ongoing projects and collaborate with each other.

#### 4.3. Functions

The Services Committee shall:

- a. review and make recommendations to the Vice-President (Student Life) on Policies related to Services;
- b. review and make recommendations to the Vice-President (Finance) on Policies related to the finances of Services;
- c. review and make recommendations to the Services Representative on forthcoming motions of the Legislative Council;
- d. review and make recommendations to the Services Committee's terms of reference at the end of the year.

#### 4.4. Membership

The Services Committee shall consist of:

- a. the Services Representative (Committee Chair, non-voting)
- b. the Vice-President (Student Life) (non-voting)
- c. Services Administrative Assistant (non-voting)
- d. one (1) Executive Member of each Service

#### 4.5. Meetings



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The Services Committee will meet once a month. Additional meetings are at the discretion of the Chair.

#### 4.6. Quorum

The quorum for the Services Committee is a simple majority of the voting members.

#### 4.7. Reporting

The Services Committee shall report to the Legislative Council once per semester on the work they have done and/or any outstanding issues.

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