



SSMU BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC MINUTES

January 21, 2021

The Board of Directors meeting of the Students' Society of McGill University (SSMU) will be held by teleconference on Thursday, January 21, 2021 at 19:00.

Present: Lauren Hill (Chair, non-voting), Jemark Earle (Officer), Brooklyn Frizzle (Officer), Maheen Akter (Officer), Gifford Marpole (Officer), Chip Smith (Legislative Councillor), Paige Collins (Legislative Councillor), Alex Karasick (Legislative Councillor), Benson Wan (Legislative Councillor), Rohan Bhutkar (Member-at-Large), Ana Paula Sanchez (Member-at-Large), Beatrice Mackie (Member-at-Large), Daniel Dufour (General Manager, non-voting), Addy Parsons (International Student Representative, non-voting), Sam Haward (Recording Secretary, non-voting)

Absent: Adin Chan (Member-at-Large), Ayo Ogunremi (Officer, non-voting)

1. Call to Order: **19:39**

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 19:39.

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 UNANIMOUSLY**

There are no changes to the agenda. The agenda is adopted unanimously.

4. Executive Committee Report

Director Earle presents the report of the Executive Committee. They highlight the approval of reimbursements to the Nursing Undergraduate Society, signing on to a MUNACA open letter as well as approval of hiring and job descriptions for Services.



On January 15th, there was a motion to extend the contract of various part time staff and signing onto the open letter to Metro on behalf of Divest McGill. There was also an approval to purchase a POS system for Gerts.

5. Legislative Council Motions for Ratification

- a. [Motion Regarding Vice-President \(Sustainability and Operations\) Position 2021-01-14](#) — **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
- b. [Motion Regarding the Renewal of the Indigenous Solidarity Policy 2021-01-14](#) — **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
- c. [Motion Regarding Legislative Council Committee Allocations 2021-01-14](#) — **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
- d. [Motion Regarding Amendments to the Standing Rules for the 2020-2021 Legislative Council 2021-01-14](#) — **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

The Board resolves to approve all motions by unanimous consent.

6. Minutes for Approval

- a. Board of Directors Public Minutes 2020-12-10 — **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
- b. Board of Directors Public Minutes 2020-12-17 — **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

There are no changes to the minutes. The minutes are approved by unanimous consent.

7. Motions for Approval

- a. Motion to nominate Director Sanchez to the Funding Committee — **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

Director Marpole states that the most recent amendment to the Funding Committee's terms of reference mandates a Director to be part of its membership. They ask if any Directors would be interested in taking this position.

Question:

Director Wan asks if the Director must be one who is not a member of the Executive.

Answer:

The Chair responds in the affirmative.



Director Sanchez states that they would like to nominate themselves for this position.

The motion is approved by unanimous consent.

- b. Motion to ratify the Final Judgment Reference re Interpretation and Scope of the Reference re Legality of the BDS Motion and Similar Motions 2021-01-19 — **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

There is no debate on this item. The motion is approved by unanimous consent.

8. For Discussion

There are no items for discussion.

9. Confidential Session: **19:48**

The Board enters into a confidential session at 19:48.

10. Adjournment: **22:09**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Earle', is positioned above a horizontal line.

Jemark Earle, President