

REPORT - RECOMMENDATION OF THE SERVICES REVIEW COMMITTEE TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

FOR FEBRUARY 11TH, 2020

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Maheen Akter, Vice-President (Student Life)
Gifford Marpole, Vice-President (Finance)
Hussain Awan, Legislative Councillor
Jim Mejinio, Services Administrative Assistant
Noah Merali, Services Representative to Council
Jingxiang Mo, Member-at-Large

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE:

The Services Review Committee met on February 10th, 2021 via Google Meets to review the application of the Muslim Students Association (MSA). Five members of the Service Review Committee were present, along with four members of the MSA who came to present.

GOALS:

The Muslim Students Association shall provide resources and support to the Students of McGill University in the form of prayer services, mental health services, and professional development services catered to the Muslim community at McGill as well as community engagement events, educational courses on Islamic philosophy, jurisprudence, and history as well as Qur'an recitation and memorization.

RATIONALE:

As per the Internal Regulations of Student Groups (VI. 6.3, VII. 7.1.b), Services shall be student-run organizations which extend the Society's provision of services to Members of the Society. The organization's mandate must be to provide resources and/or support to Members. Services may also provide referral, awareness, education, or advocacy services in addition to their provision of resources and/or support.

The Services Review Committee was satisfied that the mandate of the MSA was in line with the provisions of resources and support to Members, as their proposed Service will include chaplaincy/counselling to all students, social events to bring together the Muslim community at McGill, advocacy for the Muslim

student community and daily prayer space, among other offerings. The MSA has a typical reach of hundreds to thousands of students every year and has a long history of benefitting the daily lives of Muslim McGill students. Becoming a Service will allow the MSA to retain its current level of service to students sustainably and without having to rely on uncertain sources of funding. There is currently no comparable Service that particularly serves the Muslim community.

The MSA constitution can be found [here](#).

RECOMMENDATION

The Services Review Committee recommends that the Muslim Students Association be instated as a service.

Respectfully submitted,

The Services Review Committee

APPROVED