



MOTION REGARDING NOMINATIONS TO THE SOCIETY'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2021-10-14

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Vice-President (Internal Affairs) **Current Status:** FOR APPROVAL
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Seconded by: Ghania Javed
Arts Representative

Issue As per the SSMU Constitution article 6.2, the Legislative Council must nominate four (4) Councillors to sit on the Board of Directors of the Students' Society of McGill University ("the SSMU"). The positions on the SSMU Board of Directors should be filled at the earliest to ensure that the Board of Directors can continue to meet quorum for its meetings after November 15, 2021.

Background and Rationale Three (3) Board Members who were nominated by the Legislative Council in 2020-2021 will no longer be in office, as their terms end on November 14, 2021. As such, three (3) additional Councillors shall be nominated to sit on the Board of Directors effective November 15, 2021.

Alignment with Mission The SSMU Board of Directors requires a composition of four (4) Councillors to sit on the Board, one of which must be nominated by the Legislative Council.



Consultations Completed

Consultations completed with the Executive Committee and Governance Manager.

Risk Factors and Resource Implications

The requirements for nomination to the SSMU Board of Directors are that individuals must (i) be at least 18 years of age, (ii) be a citizen or permanent resident of Canada, (iii) not be in bankrupt status, (iv) not have been declared incapable by a court in Canada or another country, and (v) not have a criminal record.

Sustainability Considerations

In order for the SSMU to continue to function smoothly and ensure continuity of business and operations, there must be at least seven (7) Board Members at all times. If the remaining Councillor vacancies to the Board are not selected, the Board will not be able to meet and operate.

Impact of Decision and Next Steps

Not nominating them would leave three (3) seats empty at the Board of Directors, but it would also fail to fulfill the constitutional requirements of the composition of the Board.

The Councillors who shall be nominated to sit on the Board of Directors will fill the vacancy and fulfill the Constitutional requirements of the composition of the Board.

Should this motion fail, the Board will continue to struggle to meet quorum and this may disrupt the wellbeing and functioning of the Society.

Motion or Resolution for Approval

Be it resolved that the Legislative Council nominate Wan, Coussa and Gurung, as directors of the SSMU Board of Directors, effective November 15, 2021.

Results of the Vote

In favour (22)
Opposed (1)
Abstain (0)



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