MOTION REGARDING RATIFICATION TO THE SOCIETY’S BOARD OF DIRECTORS REFERENDUM QUESTION 2022-02-17

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Current Status:
☐ FOR APPROVAL
☑ APPROVED
☑ POSTPONED
☐ COMMITTED
☐ NOT APPROVED

Issue
This motion seeks to ratify the nomination of four (4) Directors, who are Members at Large, to the Society’s Board of Directors, in line with the SSMU Constitution, to fill the current vacancies. As of February 2022, there are only eight (8) Directors serving on the SSMU Board of Directors.

Background and Rationale
The Students’ Society of McGill University (“SSMU”) Board of Directors is composed of individual Directors that are responsible for the SSMU’s legal, financial, and operational affairs.

In line with the SSMU Constitution of the SSMU, 12 Directors must be nominated by the members-at-large to sit on the Board of Directors for a term of one (1) year in duration.

The following persons shall not be eligible for the office of Director:
1. Such persons who have not yet reached the age of majority,
2. Such persons who are not qualified to be a Director due to the institution of a regime of protective supervision in their respect or by one of the common causes of extinction of obligations provided for by law, such as if such person is recognized by a court as having lost the ability to reason, if such person becomes bankrupt, suspends
their payments or if such person makes arrangements with their creditors,
3. Such persons who do not possess Canadian citizenship or permanent resident status, and
4. Such persons who are Members at Large or Officers.

Alignment with Mission
In line with the SSMU Constitution.

Consultations Completed
Consultations with the Governance Manager, Nominating Committee, and the Board of Directors were completed.

Risk Factors and Resource Implications
To ensure the sustainability, financial and operational matters of the Society.

Sustainability Considerations
To ensure the SSMU can operate in a sustainable manner and include Members at Large representation in the SSMU Board of Directors.

Impact of Decision and Next Steps
Should this motion be approved, the Society’s Board of Directors will be fully operational. Should this motion be approved, it will be sent to an online ratification to the Membership in the Winter 2022 Referendum Period.

In order to fill the current vacancies on the Board of Directors, the four (4) Directors will begin their terms immediately, as nominated by the Board of Directors on January 31, 2022.

Motion or Resolution for Approval
Be it resolved, that the following individuals be appointed to the Board of Directors subject to the ratification in the Winter 2022 Referendum, for a term beginning immediately until November 14, 2022:

1. Jas Sidhu
2. Asiyah Siddique
Results of the Vote

In favour ()
Opposed ()
Abstain ()

Postponed