



# SSMU BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC MINUTES

February 16, 2022

The Board of Directors meeting of the Students' Society of McGill University (SSMU) will be held by teleconference on Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at 19:00.

Present: Alexandre Ashkir (Chair, non-voting), Eric Sader (Officer), Claire Downie (Officer), Karla Heisele Cubilla (Officer), Sarah Paulin (Officer), Sacha Delouvrier (Officer, non-voting), Benson Wan (Council Member), Charlotte Gurung (Council Member), Yara Coussa (Council Member), Ghania Javed (Council Member), Jaz Kaur (Parliamentarian, non-voting)

Absent: Darshan Daryanani (Officer, non-voting), Daniel Dufour (General Manager, non-voting)

## 1. Call to Order: **19:06**

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 19:06 on February 16, 2022.

## 2. Land Acknowledgement

The Chair presents the Land Acknowledgement.

The SSMU acknowledges that McGill University is situated on the traditional and unceded territory of the Anishinaabeg and Haudenosaunee nations. The SSMU recognizes and respects these nations as the true and constant custodians of the lands and waters on which we meet today. Further, the SSMU commits to and respects the traditional laws and customs of these territories.

## 3. Attendance

The Chair takes attendance.

The Chair notes the absences of Officer Daryanani and General Manager Dufour.

## 4. Adoption of the Agenda – **ADOPTED**

Director Paulin adds an announcement from the Anti-Violence Coordinators in point 5.

Director Wan motions to adopt the Agenda, seconded by Director Coussa.



The Agenda is adopted as modified.

## 5. Announcements

Director Paulin introduces the Anti-Violence Coordinator (AVC), Maeve.

The AVC notes that they have been receiving questions about accommodations under the Gendered and Sexual Violence Policy (GSVP). She notes that this Policy is important to be aware of in case individuals are interested to access this policy or if they have questions. Under the GSVP, an individual can request accommodations on the basis of having filed a formal complaint or by making a disclosure. This includes harassment, assault and other forms of harm. Even if there will not be an investigation, accommodations can be provided by the AVCs.

The email to contact the AVCs is [avc@ssmu.ca](mailto:avc@ssmu.ca).

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### **Question:**

Director Coussa thanks the AVC for the presentation and inquires if the AVC would be willing to attend tomorrow's Legislative Council meeting to make the same announcement.

### **Answer:**

The AVC responds that she will be attending tomorrow's meeting.

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## 6. Confidential Session: **19:15**

The Board of Directors enters into a Confidential Session at 19:15.

## 7. Adjournment: **20:17**

Director Coussa motions to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Sader.

The meeting is adjourned at 20:17.

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

Risann Wright, President