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# SSMU BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC MINUTES

November 02, 2023

The Board of Directors meeting of the Students' Society of McGill University (SSMU) will be held by teleconference and in the SSMU Boardroom on Thursday, November 02, 2023 at 18:00.

Present: Jonathan Dong (Chair, non-voting), Sierra Fallis (Deputy Chair, non-voting), Lisa Pennel (Parliamentarian, non-voting), Alexandre Ashkir (Director), Nadia Dakdouki (Director), Lalia Katchelewa (Director), Peter Tai (Council Member), Liam Gaither (Director), Hassanatou Koulibaly (Officer, non-voting), Jacob Shannon (Council Member), Maya Marcus-Sells (General Manager, non-voting), Amina Kudrati-Plummer (Officer, non-voting)

Absent: Jon Barlas (Officer, non-voting), Coco Jie Wang (Council Member), Julia Nam (Council Member)

### 1. Call to Order: **18:12**

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 18:12. The Chair for this meeting is the Deputy Chair, Sierra Fallis.

### 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. She notes that Director Katchelewa will arrive at 19:00, and welcomes the new VP Finance, Director Kudrati-Plummer, and welcomes Director Shannon to his first meeting.

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



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The agenda is distributed.

Seeing no changes or opposition, the agenda is adopted.

### 5. Executive Committee Public Report 2023-11-02 – **RATIFIED**

Director Ashkir presents the Executive Committee Public Report. They met every Wednesday morning since the last Board meeting. Motions approved include hirings, and a motion for a legal fee approval.

Seeing no opposition, the Executive Committee Public Report is ratified.

### 6. Minutes for Approval:

- a. SSMU Board of Directors Public Minutes 2023-10-05 – **APPROVED**
- b. SSMU Board of Directors Public Minutes 2023-10-16 – **APPROVED**
- c. SSMU Board of Directors Public Minutes 2023-10-24 – **APPROVED**

Seeing no changes or corrections, the Minutes stand approved as distributed.

### 7. [Legislative Council](#) Email Motion Ratifications 2023-10-30 — **APPROVED VIA EMAIL**

- a. Motion to Add a Question to the Fall Semester Referenda Regarding MUSTBUS Fee Increase, Pending the Addition of the 2022-2023 Budget
- b. Motion Regarding the Fall 2023 Budget Revision
- c. Motion Regarding the Creation of the Student Nutrition Accessibility Club Fee
- d. Motion Regarding Safety Services Fee Increase Referendum Question
- e. Motion Regarding the Base Fee Increase Referendum Question
- f. Motion Regarding the Referendum Question of the Increase of Radio CKUT's Fee, Pending the Addition of the 2022-2023 Operating Budget
- g. Motion Regarding First Year Fee Question



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- h. Motion Regarding the Creation of the Community Solidarity Fund, Fee, and Solidarity Funding Committee
- i. Motion Regarding Referendum Question of the Ratification of the Society's Board of Directors

### 8. Confidential Session: **18:17**

The Board of Directors enters into a Confidential session at 18:17.

The Chair moves the guests in the Zoom Waiting Room.

### 9. Motions for Approval:

- a. Motion to Ratify the Nominating Committee Report and Recommendations –  
**APPROVED**

The public session resumes at 19:38.

Parliamentarian Pennel presents Motion 9a. This report was presented in the confidential session, and she presents the composition of the Nominating Committee and the interview cycle. Interviews were always conducted with two people present. She presents the ratings for all candidates, and all except one were regarded favourably, the International Student Representative/

Seeing no questions, the Chair entertains debate.

Director Katchelewa motions to call the question.

Director Gaither seconds this motion.

Seeing no opposition, the Chair entertains a vote.

Seeing no opposition, Motion 9a is approved.

### 10. Adjournment: **19:41**

Seeing no further additions, the Chair declares the meeting adjourned at 19:41.

Alexandre Ashkir, SSMU President 2023-2024