

SSMU BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC MINUTES

February 26, 2026

The Board of Directors meeting of the Students' Society of McGill University (SSMU) was held by teleconference and in the SSMU Boardroom on Thursday, February 26 at 20:00

Present: Susan Aloudat (Director), Keith Babayon (Director), Seraphina Crema Black (Director), Rajan Duncan (Director), Jean-Sébastien Léger (Director), Simon Ngassam (Director), Dymetri Taylor (Director), Annette Yu (Director), Hamza Abu Alkhair (Officer, non-voting), Minaal Mirza (Officer, non-voting), Joshua Chin (Alumni Representative, non-voting), Sierra Fallis (Alumni Representative, non-voting), Maxime Rouhan (International Student Representative, non-voting), Simone Brown (Policy and Advocacy Coordinator, non-voting), Acadia Knickerbocker (Speaker, non-voting), Yasmin Beeai (Deputy Speaker, non-voting), Harry Wang (Parliamentarian, non-voting), Alissa Gharzouzi (Recording Secretary, non-voting), Alison Glaser (Internal Counsel & Corporate Secretary, non-voting).

Absent: Rajan Duncan, Yasmin Beeai

1. Call to Order: **20:35**

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 20:35.

2. 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.

L'AÉUM reconnaît que l'Université McGill est située sur le territoire traditionnel et non cédé des nations Anishinaabeg et Haudenosaunee. L'AÉUM reconnaît et respecte ces nations comme les véritables et constants gardiens des terres et des eaux sur lesquelles nous nous rencontrons aujourd'hui. En outre, l'AÉUM s'engage à respecter les lois et coutumes traditionnelles de ces territoires.

The Chair presents the Land Acknowledgement.

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3. Attendance

The Chair takes attendance.

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

The agenda is distributed. The Chair asks if there are any additions or changes to the agenda.

Seeing none, the Chair asks if any are opposed to adopting the agenda.

Seeing none, the agenda is adopted.

5. Minutes for Approval

6. Announcements

7. Motions for Approval

- a. Motion to suspend sections 6.2 and 6.12 of the IRs of Elections and Referenda to allow the related SSMU staff to campaign for the following referenda: (President Taylor, Councilor Lai)-**RATIFIED**
 - i. Renewal and Increase of the University Centre Fee
 - ii. Renewal of the Anti-Violence Fee
 - iii. Increase of the SSMU Food bank Fee
 - iv. Renewal of the SSMU Daycare Fee
- b. Motion to suspend section 6.21 of the IRs of Elections and Referenda to allow the following external bodies to campaign: - (President Taylor, Councilor Lai) - **RATIFIED**
 - i. ECOLE for the Increase of the SSMU ECOLE Project Fee
 - ii. The McGill Writing Centre for the Renewal of the McGill Writing Centre Ancillary Fee
- c. Motion to apply the Writing Center fee to the same condition as motion 14a) (VP Aloudat, Councilor A. Yu)- **RATIFIED**

President Taylor motions to consider Motions 7a, 7b, and 7c as a block.

The Chair asks if there are any questions regarding these motions.

Seeing none, the Chair asks if there is any discussion on the floor.

Seeing none, the Chair asks if any are opposed to voting on all three motions as a block.

Seeing none, the Chair asks if any are opposed to ratifying all three motions.

Seeing none, Motions 7a, 7b, and 7c are ratified.

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8. For Discussion
9. Confidential Session:
 - a. There is a Confidential Session this evening

The Secretariat announces that the meeting will now move into a confidential session.

The meeting moves into confidential session at 20:38.

10. Adjournment: **22:42**

Director Ngassam motions to adjourn the public session.

Director Aloudat seconds the motion.

The Chair asks if any members are opposed to adjourning the public session.

Seeing none, the Chair adjourns the public meeting at 22:43.

APPROVED