

SSMU BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC AGENDA

September 15, 2026

The Board of Directors meeting of the Students' Society of McGill University (SSMU) will be held by teleconference and in the SSMU Boardroom on Tuesday, September 15 at 18:00.

Present: Hamza Abu Alkhair (Director), Keith Babayon (Director), Simon Ngassam (Director), Meghan Lai (Director), Harry Wang (Director), Jason Wang (Director), Rhys Jones (Director), Ammar Lila (Director), Seraphina Crema-Black (Director), Paul Prendergast (Director), Acadia Knickerbocker (Officer, non-voting), Maggie Tang (Officer, non-voting), Joshua Chin (Alumni Representative, non-voting), Olivia Ginnetti (Governance Affairs Coordinator, non-voting), Melissa Proietti (General Manager, non-voting), James Reid (Speaker, non-voting), Brigitta Chan (Parliamentarian, non-voting), Alissa Gharzouzi (Recording Secretary, non-voting).

Late: Yasmin Beeai (Deputy Speaker, non-voting)

1. Call to Order: **18:13**
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.

3. Adoption of the Agenda – **ADOPTED**
4. Confidential Session:
 - a. There is a Confidential Session this evening

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5. Legislative Council Motions not Disallowed

- a. Confirm the Council Representatives (Director Ngassam, Director Babayon) -

APPROVED

6. Minutes for Approval

- a. [Board of Directors Public Minutes 2026-07-21](#) - **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
- b. [Board of Directors Public Minutes 2026-08-18](#) - **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

7. Announcements

- a. Welcome to new Board members! (Speaker Reid)
- b. Closing of the Accounting Books for the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year (Director J. Wang)
- c. Announcement by Internal Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Recess: **19:00**

Call to Order: **19:13**

8. Motions for Approval

- a. [MOTION REGARDING INTERNAL TRANSFER TO GENDER AFFIRMING CARE FUND FROM OPERATING FUND](#) (Director J. Wang, Director Lai) - **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
- b. [Motion Regarding the Approval of Movie Night Budget](#) (Officer Tang, Director Ngassam) - **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
- c. [Motion to run a special referendum for a plebiscite question on the McGill Yearbook](#) (Director Abu Alkhair, Director Ngassam) - **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
- d. [Motion to approve the \\$2396.08 expense for the Video Matrix Rack through the Capital Expenditure Fund.](#) (Director J.Wang, Director Ngassam) - **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
- e. [Motion to approve the \\$9853.36 expense for the Audio Matrix Rack through the Capital Expenditure Fund.](#) (Director J.Wang, Director Ngassam) - **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
- f. Motion to add the changes to the committee terms of reference 8.4 as written in 9.a (Director Abu-Alkhair, Director Ngassam) - **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
- g. Motion to extend the VP Clubs & Services's deadline set in sections 4.10.c and 5.10.d to provide Workshops from (3) weeks to (6) weeks for the Fall 2026 workshop (Director H.Wang, Director Abu-Alkhair) - **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

9. For Discussion

- a. Changes to Committee Terms of Reference 8.4 (Parliamentarian Chan)
 - i. 8.4. The Nominating Committee shall consist of:
 - a. the Parliamentarian (Committee Chair, non-voting);
 - b. one (1) Equity Commissioner (non-voting, upon request)
 - c. **two (2) Councillors;**
 - d. ~~three (3)~~ **Two (2)** Directors;
 - e. **two (2) to** four (4) Members at Large; and
 - f. SSMU's Internal Counsel and Corporate Secretary (non-voting, upon request).
- b. Student Group Workshops (Officer Knickerbocker, Director H. Wang)

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10. [Executive Committee Public Report 2026-09-15](#) – **RATIFIED**
11. Motion to amend the Public Report to remove the hourly rates (Director Crema-Black, Director Ngassam) - **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
12. Adjournment: **19:54**

APPROVED