



Approved on 10/13/11

The attendance is available in a separate document.

The minutes of the September 15th



in the future, should the Society choose to adopt it. The strategic plan is aimed at mandate in all McGill facilities for food sustainability. This plan outlines that when MFDS writes out new contracts with food providers, they will do so with commitments to initiatives such as sustainable to seafood practices. This plan should not be limited to McGill Food and Dining Services. Most of MFAS's produce is bought from Mac Campus. Right now (during September and October), the Mac Campus is the biggest supplier of fruit and vegetables. The value of fruit and vegetables from Mac Campus was about \$20,000 last year and will be over \$30,000 this year. This is something that is easy to endorse in principal, and very difficult to follow through. However, Mr. de Volpi believes that every food service at McGill, including SSMU's food services, are up to this.

President Knight said that this will be coming to the next Council as a motion that the Council can officially endorse. This would be a good time to ask questions about the plan. There should be enough time to follow up with e-mails to Food and Dining Services if Councillors have questions.





agreed to do so. Armark pays their employees, but MFDS also pays them. Armark pays half the salary, and they are able to take their profit out of that. Because MFDS is non-profit, the labour pay is very high by industry standards.

Councillor Kryluk asked why residence students are allowed to roll over their dollars, when that was not allowed in the past?

Mr. de Volpi said that his department is two years old. Last year and the year before, students who would have rolled over their home base dollars (but were not allowed to) decided to make bulk purchases instead. Though many students finished their meal plans, 500 students still wanted to make bulk purchases. There was a financial kick in the first







Councillor Paterson put forward a motion to amend the agenda to move New Business items e and f to be tabled to the following Council meeting because this was talked about his on Monday and she would not like to beat the dead horse.

Chair Tong ruled this motion out of order right now but said that it may be brought up later.

Councillor Arango was elected Vice-President External of inter-residence council and is here for the first time today. At Chair Tong's request, he introduced himself for the Council.







All financial transactions and budgets over \$1,000,
The work and progress of student staff within each Executive's portfolio,

, that Executive reports to the Legislative Council are written with the utmost standards of grammar and professionalism on official SSMU Letterhead.

Moved by:

Todd Plummer, Vice-President Internal

Matthew Crawford-Appignanesi, Senate Caucus Representative

Debate began on this Resolution:

Councillor Paterson said that standing rules have been adopted to make Council more accessible. This especially makes debate accessible. Also, friendly amendments can be made. This is more accessible and easier than simply using Robert's Rules.

Councillor Kunev asked whether this motion was presented to last year's council.

Chair Tong said that documents past only for one year, and a similar one was passed this year.

Until standing rules are passed this year, the Council is technically running on Robert's Rules.

The differences from last year's document are minimal. Last year's rules stipulated that, during debate, Councillors should stand in lines to indicate whether they were "pro" or "con."

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air shows a clear difference in debate. To call on new speakers, the Chairs will be calling on those speaking for and against alternately.

Councillor Steettin asked the Chairs to clarify whether this method of debate is like the GA where the ratio of speakers had to be 1:1 for or against.

Chair Nizam clarified that debate will move forward if Councillors wishing to speak are speaking continually to one side. Still, the Chairs will repeatedly ask for input from the other side.

The resolution as a whole was moved to previous question. This motion passed unanimously.
The Resolution Regarding Stan



a majority “no” vote will result in the immediate termination of all undergraduate funding to CKUT?

Moved by:

Carol Ellen Fraser, Vice-President Clubs and Services

Shyam Patel, Vice-President Finance and Operations

Radney Jean-Claude, Social Work Representative

Micha Stettin, Arts Representative

Zhizhen Qin, Science Representative

Speaker Tong clarified that this Notice of Motion lets Councillors know that this motion will be put forward at the next Council meeting.

Vice-President Fraser read out the resolved clause and clarified that the Motion will be debated and voted on at the next meeting of the Legislative Council, October 13th.

Councillor Clarke is wondering whether “refundable on the premises of CKUT” means that those wishing to opt out would have to walk into their office?

Chair Tong said yes.

A Councillor asked what is meant by “terminate undergraduate funding.”

Chair Tong said that if this passes, this resolution will be asked as a referendum question to all





Vice-President Plummer said that this motion is intended for individual Executive reports. The Executive will be telling the Council everything they can want to tell Councillors in the Report of the Executive Committee. Based on these guidelines everything that is in the minutes would be here except really confidential things cannot legally be shared.

Vice-President Patel would like to remove “and budgets” from the second bullet point. He would like to amend \$1,000 to read \$25,000.

Vice-President Plummer said that this is not friendly because the point of Executives is to report on what they are spending.

Vice-President Patel said that the amount can be debated, but he thinks that there are few who understand how accounting works in SSMU. Part of his work is to revamp accounting. There is a lot of work that goes into accounting and many expenses are at about \$1,000. He is ok with a lesser amount than \$25,000. However, reporting all transactions at or over \$1,000 may be difficult. Further, a lot of the numbers submitted today are processed months later. Fresh financials will not be available until next semester. Students are often upset when papers publish numbers and those numbers turn out to be wrong because t(h) JIJrmwh e oua uuee exhusepu h



professional students of McGill and as a liaison between them and the university” (SSMU Constitution, Preamble, Article IV);

, the chief bargaining priorities of the TA Bargaining Team are the following:

- 1) First-time TA’s are paid by the University to participate in pedagogical training provided by the University
- 2) The University increase the number of hours worked per TA in order to lower the student: TA ratio
- 3) The University limit the size of discussion-based conferences as well as laboratory sections
- 4) The University require that course supervisors and TA’s meet regularly
- 5) The University ensure that the salaries of TA’s, at bare minimum, keep pace with the rise of the cost of living in Montreal;

, that the SSMU support AGSEM’s TA Bargaining Team in its negotiations with the McGill Administration with regards to the following demands,

- 1) First-time TA’s are paid by the University to participate in pedagogical training provided by the University
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, that the SSMU utilize the resources at its disposal, including but not limited to its listserv and website, to inform students about AGSEM’s bargaining priorities and about related AGSEM events,

, that the SSMU, with support y (nt) 0.2 (re) 0.2 (a) 0.2 (l) 0.2 (;(d)]TJ(s) -0.2 (pos) -0.2 (a) 0.2 (



Councillor Crawford made a motion to amend the previous friendly amendment to read “The university increase the number of hours worked per TA in order to reduce the workload of TAs” Councillor Winer said that this is unfriendly because it would not necessarily reduce the workload of the TA. If it could be changed to read “increase the number of hours worked by TAs in order to reduce the workload of TAs to lower the student: TA ratio,” that would be friendly. Councillor Crawford’s proposed amendment does not actually reduce the number of TA working hours.

Mr. Mooney said that TAs max out at 180 hours and in many faculties that would automatically create new TA appointments. Some departments employ two part-time TAs at 90 hours each. The number of TAs are calculated by full or partial appointments. So, AGSEM would like to continue these partial employments and not necessarily require TAs to work more hours. Councillor Crawford apologized for his misunderstanding and withdrew his amendment. Councillor Kunev suggested that in the last Resolved clause state the five principles of negotiation of the AGSM (instead of the first Resolved clause). Specifically, he moved to add “of negotiation of the AGSEM” to the last Resolved clause and strike the five things in the first Resolved clause because it is already contained in the whereas clause directly above. It was explained that the whereas clauses are distributed as a part of the resolution when it is delivered.

President Knight made a motion to amend the final resolved clause to read “with support from the SSMu Executive Committee” before “draft”. That was added as a friendly amendment.

Councillor Burnett spoke in favor of this resolution. He said that it is very clear to him that each of these five points affect the quality of undergraduate education, but it is important to send a message to the administration from students that recognizes that





, the McGill By-Law Book-1 10.1.1 states that the duty of the SSMU Representative to the McGill Board of Governors is “to represent the student body at the Board of Governors”;

, that the SSMU Representative to the McGill Board of Governors make all reasonable effort to amend the University Statues article 3.4.1 to add “reappointment, or extension” to read:

“Before recommending an appointment, reappointment or extension for the office of Provost, Deputy Provost, Deputy Provost Student Life and Learning, or Vice-Principal, the Principal shall have consulted an advisory committee consisting of four representatives of the Board of Governors, four representatives of the Senate and two students.”

Moved by:

Adam Winer, Clubs & Services Representative


Undersigned by:

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Disseminate information to the student body,
Encourage our constituents to,
o Petition the University,





AMUSE support staff are all unions which need to have negotiations this year and could be in positions to go on strike.

Councillor Chaini said that this clause is for one year, and there will be many unions going on strike. With this Resolution, the Council would not have to pass separate resolutions every single time a group decides to go on strike. This is a great preface for all instances. It does not make sense to go on strike for no reason. It is a hard process to go on strike and would be done in a justified manner.

Councillor Dinel said that considering that this is no longer in the GA's hands, the proposed amendment could stipulate the organization of the unions that Mr. Mooney outlined.

Councillor Stettin spoke against this amendment. Firstly, he said that the last Resolved clause is the spirit of the motion and the body passed this with a strong affirmative. Secondly, council already had an enriching debate on the MUNACA strike and this Resolution and clause follows from that debate. Thirdly, this Resolution allows the SSMU to act immediately in support when necessary but not stifle debate when debate is called for—lack of debate is not what is at stake in this resolution.

Councillor Kunev said that voting in this motion is irresponsible because the Council should debate every motion. There are a lot of opportunities for negotiating unions to go on strike, and they should each be debated.

Vice-President Pedneault asked if would last five years as a policy. If it is not President Knight said that that this will not be a policy because it is being passed through the Council and not through the GA.

Councilor Burnett wanted to make clear that the unions in question are not necessarily going on strike this year, but these unions will be in a legal position to go on strike if their contracts are not renewed.

Councillor Crawford moved to previous question on the amendment to strike the last resolved clause. The vote to previous question passed.

This amendment to strike the last resolved clause failed with 7 for, 15 against, and 2 abstentions.

Councillor Kunev made a motion to amend to add to the third bullet point after “strike” “if deemed necessary”. This is an unfriendly amendment.

Councilor Kunev said that he imagines the Executives getting together and discussing the issue about whether to support a strike during periods where Council cannot meet. This would not be a general policy, but Unions in a positions to strike should be taken seriously.

Councillor Clarke asked whether he should specifically site the summer for his amendment.

Councillor Kunev is open to specifically citing the summer.

Councilor Crawford does not like this because it has already been voted on in a certain sense. In the last amendment, there was a vote not to debate the merits of each case before action.


Councillor Jean-Claude said that every single decision that the SSMU takes affects students, and any strike will affect the system. Whether this is in services or access to buildings, he advises everyone to support this amendment. Supporting this would support the benefits of students.



Councilor Kourilova said that “if deemed necessary” is too vague and it should if anything be more specific to say something like “in the summer”

Vice-President Patel spoke against this amendment and said that it takes away from the spirit of the motion which always supports the strike. Council is here to represent constituents, though it may not agree with every individual.

Vice-President Fraser asked Councillors to listen really carefully whether the Chair is asking for



Councillor Paterson asked the Council could trust the Speakers to amend for grammar.
Chair Tong said that this should be amended right now since the resolutions will be sent out to the campus press on Friday.

Mr. Mooney, AGSEM representative from the gallery, said that McGill has the right to lock workers out. When unionized workers negotiate contracts with their employer, if negotiations go on for 90 days and the contract expires, either the union can go on strike or the employer can lock out the workers. Currently, McGill is in a legal position to lock out AGESM.

President Knight said that she thinks that that would fall under “including but not limited to”
Councillor Jean-Claude asked why McGill has the right to lock out employees.

Mr. Mooney said that the right to lock out employees is addressed in Canadian and Quebec law. If one side is not being fair, the employer has the right to put pressure on their workers by discontinuing to employ those workers unless they sign.

Vice-President Fraser made a motion to amend to add “or is in a lockout” after “strike” add in support of “the workers on strike or in a lockout” before strike and after workers in the fourth “strike or in a lockout in their strike”. This was a friendly amendment.

Councillor Crawford moved to previous question.

Councillor Paterson said that the speakers are amending for grammar at steering. This should be done now since the resolutions go to the campus media tomorrow morning.

This motion to previous question passed unanimously.

By a vote of 23 for, none against, and 2 abstentions, this resolution passed.

She said that Elections McGill has been experiencing technical difficulties. Let it be known that the deadline for student-initiated referenda is October 14th. That is in two weeks and a day. Also, council-initiated referenda questions were due by Monday but this was not advertised.

Therefore, the date will be post-poned.

On October 13th there will be two Council meetings. The first will consider any council-initiated questions. If you Councillors would like to submit a council-imitative referenda question, that will be due as a motion next Sunday at 9pm. Student-initiated referenda are due October 14th and go directly to Elections McGill. Councillor Paterson asked whether the dates for student-initiated referenda would be included in the listserv.

The Chair said yes, and they will be included in the minutes.

President Knight presented the Executive report.

There were no questions.

The executive report was adopted.

The Nominating Committee made a list of all of its appointments and discussed the need for its appointments to be discussed. This is a complex grey zone. This does not require approval



President Knight said that this is a complicated issue but normally students' fees are transferred by September 15th. Since the new MOA has not been completed, that requirement is not in effect. The date that McGill will legally have to hand over fees is probably October 15th. Her





hikes is on November 10th. All four major student associations will organize an event on that day. There are currently ongoing talks at UQAM. There was an inter-union rally recently and there will be a meeting on Monday. Some professors will be gathering at the Roddick gates tomorrow. Vice-President Pedneault apologized for showing up late to Council. He was at



Vice-President Fraser is having office hours on Mondays from 3-5pm. Club workshops have been going really well. Clubs and services reps came out to the workshops, and Vice-President Fraser thanked them for that. Regarding the MOA of PGSS, Vice-President Fraser hopes that they will respond soon (PGSS). Please spread the word to your constituents about Culture Shock. Office code changing day will happen soon so that people can move into their offices. On next Thursday, the student lounge carpet and furniture will be cleaned. The entire 4th floor will be closed on the Friday, so all club offices will be cleaned. There will be no access to the 4th floor next Friday.



Councilor Stettin asked her to address why senators were not wearing the MUNACA pins when they went to the rally and whether they could in the future show visible support when walking into senate.

Vice-President Clare said that all senators were wearing green. There are procedures and forms of interacting in Senate that are alien even to SSMU Council. They thought it best to show solidarity by wearing green. Senators were not shy about their rhetoric. However, it wasn't necessarily the most appropriate thing. Student Senators felt that in the first meeting it was important that we put on a most professional face.

Vice-President Patel asked Vice



Councillor Bi said that more and more people will want to do this once the information is given out that obtaining all students' names is possible.

Councillor Love would like that list to be made available to those that ask.

President Knight explained that the list must always be made available for those who ask.

Councilor Stettin said that he shares Councillor Bi's concern but said that the information is probably going to go into the Daily or the Trib already. Secondly, he is concerned about people's information being given to others without them knowing that the other person has it. Councillor Stettin says there is not a good way to minimize the damage that he is doing. People should be alerted that their information is being shared, so that they can use their discretion.

Councillor Paterson said that she has concerns with the possibility that the member might be attacked. She is concerned about that backlash in addition to the backlash SSMU would receive for sending out this information. Also, she asked if students' information is not updated on Minerva, would their addresses not appear on the list?

President Knight said that it is the SSMU's legal obligation to provide the list and she can't comment further.

Councillor Paterson asked whether one could provide the list i(s)36