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Vice-President Clare said that she understood SSMU benefits were increased, but asked whether that was a result of rising expectations or rising demands.

Mr. Bukman said that in all cases the job of ASEQ is to maximize the value for SSMU in negotiation for insurance coverage. The total cost of the plan is based on the claims. When there is lower coverage, there are lower claims, and the plan is at a lower cost. Higher claims and higher coverage means higher costs. There in the year of 2006-2007, a choice was made to increase the cost, and another choice can be made soon between decreasing cost of plan or increasing coverage. There was a wish-list of coverage based on information from students and there would have been a range of options about what kind of coverage to provide. Options are put to the SSMU Executive and the d



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Councillor Uribe-Arango said that Halloween party on Monday. He did not see any SSMU Execs, even though they were all invited. There will be a wine and cheese next Thursday in Douglas at 7pm.

Councillor Burnett said that the AUS is holding its first general assembly at 5pm on Tuesday November 8th in the SSMU cafeteria. Please come if you are in AUS. Also, the GSDFSSA is holding a mixer for small arts program to talk about what's going on in terms of funding and academic issues in Gerts from 7-10pm on November 11th.

Councillor Hernandez seconded the point about soccer and Sunday RSVQ rugby championship.

Vice-President Plummer said that next week is the Quidditch World Cup is happening in New York and





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President Knight said that Vice-President Pedneault and Councillor Stettin's comments came her way and she has been looking over them so that the letter can be sent out. She is making sure not to empty rhetoric. Other feedback has not been received.

Vice-President Pedneault said that he is trying to find every link to every statement that's been made and incorporate as much as possible into the statement .

Councillor Paterson said that Councillor Kunev earlier didn't necessarily want to know how many clubs had been contacted, but she would like at some point in the evening for her to compile that list at some point this evening so that the number of groups who have to change their name is recorded in a public forum. If two clubs were to book the same space at the same time and both the same group type, for example, two IGCs, how would preference be chosen among those groups?

Vice-President Fraser said that there is the ad hoc interest group committee to handle those issues. About club names, she will get Councillor Paterson the information tonight. Council already has the list. It is a little less than half of the groups on that list that will have to change their names. Councillor Paterson said that she would count the number of groups that have to change their names. [She later reported the count at 132 groups, including all categories of clubs, services, and affiliated groups as outlined on the MOA document].

A Councillor addressed a question to anyone from the faculty of management, and asked what is being done to recover 10,000 that Casco is missing and lack of funding in events.

Councillor Latham said that Casco is a philanthropic event and every year the money raised goes to Children's Hospital. They are falling short this year and there will be smaller donation than they would have liked because of changes in structure of Management leadership. There is now a centralized corporate relations team, whereas before there was a corporate relations manager from each club. There have been a few issues in terms of learning curve which board of directors looking at. Casco will be holding additional events after the event is run to add additional sponsorship and is hoping to make up for all the shortfalls. Councillor Kouilova said that there has been a lack of communication with corporate relations team. The committee is going to provide a detailed report, look into the issue and hopefully resolve it. The team hopes to clarify how the board of director of directors committee which speaks to the corporate relations team is free.

Knight move the board of directors meeting from 10a-10d

10) New Business

10a. Discussion Regarding SSMU – McGill MOA and Lease

Members of the gallery held up "We Are All McGill" signs which President Knight asked that they hold up higher, and said they made her so sad. The lease expired on May 31st. The main issue they have been fighting with McGill about has been about the McGill name. President Knight believes that the Vice-President clubs and services was open with the student body with what is happening in writing as clearly as possible. Executives are speaking in that capacity as McGill students and not as McGill, but Executives are the ones to



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change their names to some of their organizations, that run events not only in the city, but in the nation and around the world. McGill's rationale about the use of their name makes sense in a corporation but, we are in a university they want to try to protect



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Vilma Campbell is representative from McGill legal services. President Knight and Vice-President Clare have a standing meeting with Mendelson and they would bring up MOA in that meeting. He would refuse to listen. In terms of negotiations he made extremely clear that the SSMU would be talking with Vilma. In negotiations they would spend a lot of time talking about why anime club is the same thing as comic book club and shouldn't have to change their name. They asked to bring it to DiGrappa or anything but because of the Principal's taskforce last year, these situations relocated to the deputy provost. He was the top of the chain. President Knight said that they were told very clearly that no one other than Deputy Provost's Office



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President Knight said that the negotiators have



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Benjamin, a U1 computer engineer from the gallery would like to reiterate points made in another forum about this. Student groups do not want their names changed and there are 21,000 students for mobilization. Your obligation is to vote in our interests.

McGill is one of the 20 top universities in the world. He said he wonders how they would like it if Macleans reported that McGill kicked their own student society out of their building. We can fight this.

A member of the gallery said that the that McGill administration has approached the negotiations saying not on equal footing. He agrees. There are 25,000 students. McGill will come to understand students' position if a hard line is taken in these negotiations. All it's going to take starts here. Most active people in student life feel strongly about this issue, and will do everything they can. We can do this.

Vice-President Clare made a motion to have a short recess. This will be one for 8 minutes.

Councillor Dinel and her roommate Jenny performed a couple of great songs!

The Board of Directors had a meeting during the open session, which is recorded separately.

10d. Motion Regarding CKUT and QPIRG Referendum Questions

President Knight said that this was brought, as all motions are, to the steering committee. This motion was not found to be out of order. For those not on Steering, she wanted Rebecca here in case anyone had any questions. It is in order as said by Steering Committee

Vice-President Fraser said it was really great to have a lot of people in the gallery. It fostered more of a sense of campus community goes in support of this question in a very direct way. Councillors should consider that CKUT and QPIRG contribute strongly to student life on campus, and would like everyone, regardless of their feelings about this groups personally, to consider that they are supporting student life on campus.

Councillor Paterson made a motion to split the question, with one part of the question supporting QPIRG and one supporting CKUT. The motion to amend would be to strike this resolved clause and two doing the splitting. Then can motion to divide the question.

Vice-President Fraser said this is unfriendly. The reason why these are together is because QPIRG is a public research advocacy group and CKUT is campus community radio— each of them foster voices not normally heard on the McGill campus. Someone opposed to endorsing yes vote to CKUT is probably also opposed to QPIRG vote. A single question would do justice to this.

Councillor Winer said that he would consider it friendly, but because friendly amendments require support of all of the movers, this will remain unfriendly.

Councillor Paterson said the reason why she would like these questions to be split is that though she understands the point about similar intent and does appreciate the work of the two organization, she does not



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be dismayed if SSMU wanted to vote yes in one case and no in the other case but would encourage people to not split this question.

Councillor Chaini agreed with Vice-President Pedneault and separating CKUT and QPIRG is not about specific student groups but student groups in general. This is about their existence not about what they actually do. This is not about student groups on campus but it wouldn't make sense to vote for one over the other because they are both independent student groups. She does not think we should separate these.

A motion to previous question passed. The motion was to split question into two resolved clauses. By a vote of 8 for 15 against and 0 abstentions, this did not pass.

Councillor Bi motion to amend to add "Legislative Council" after SSMU to read "SSMU Legislative Council."

Councillor Stettin said that Councillor Bi had not wanted a previous motion written this way because she felt that her constituencies would not feel comfortable with the support of the Council behind it.

Councillor Bi said that she has spoken to constituents who find it confusing. She would not appreciate the entire SSMU passing a yes vote.

Councillor Stettin said that when other things have been brought to the table by MFAS and others, motions have referred to the "SSMU" that endorses it, not just this body.

This was considered an unfriendly amendment.

Councillor Bi said that she respects that we represent our constituencies but we are a small population and the reason why this question is being brought forward is so that the student body will vote as a whole.

Councillor Latham said that as representatives, we are supposed to gauge the interest and sentiment of constituencies, so that when we vote on motions at SSMU Council, we are SSMU.

Councillor Bi said that there is a distinction between the Executive, the Legislative Council, and the population and saying that we speak on behalf of that is being too liberal with the term.

Councillor Burnett said the reason why we were all elected is to represent SSMU. There is no reason to represent a referendum.

Councillor Winer said that under the heading "Legislative Council" in article 3 of the SSMU constitution, a clause reads that the Council "should be empowered to ... make all decisions on behalf of the student body."

Vice-President Clare said that are elected as members of Legislative Council, the idea is to represent constituents.

A motion to previous question passed. By a vote of 1 for 23 against and 2 abstentions, this unfriendly amendment did not pass.

Councillor Paterson said that she was strongly encouraged by her constituent Council to vote no, but probably would have anyway to this not because she does not support CKUT and QPIRG, but when it



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Vice-President Fraser said that, regarding the opinion that this question is confusing or that it is two questions in one can be understood by the resolved clause of the 2005



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specifics of that online system. The Minerva system provides little to no information about where these organizations are and the heart of this is democratic processes. Mandated the SSMU to do things like get rid of online opt-out system and make sure that the University is listening to students.

Councillor Chaini said that she agrees with Vice-President Fraser and should be thinking about what mandate has been saying. This is mainly about the existence of these clubs. The main issue is their existence. SSMU has a mandate to support student groups on campus. Not having QPIRG on campus at all would be a huge deficit to student life.

Councillor Latham said that this isn't a question of whether we should support these groups or their finances. Earning the right back to control their finances is something that they shouldn't have lost. He liked the idea of safe space defined as students making an informed decision and not just opting out blindly. Because of the fact that this went through a GA, he has a mandate from students to support this.

Councillor Shahid said that also not in favour and cannot vote on having them enforce their finances. This is addressed to the entire population of McGill and some of them don't support QPIRG.

Councillor Clarke said thanks and was not aware that students would be able to ask for modification on the 15-day opt-out period thing. If they went to the QPIRG GA and a majority said would like to have it online controlled by QPIRG would that be implemented?

Vice-President Fraser cannot speak for QPIRG and CKUT members but she said if you put a motion on the floor that is how the system works.

President Knight said that it is important to remember that this qu



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Councillor Winer said that in regards to points about speaking with constituents, the assumption that all of us are in touch with constituents is not the case. Because a handful of students approached particular concerns it is important that those be voiced here. There are members within SSMU who would not support SSMU in general and what SSMU wants to do. Constituents on the whole are firmly in favour of a motion like this.

Councillor Stettin said that the GA assembly motion passed and this is a first time that a SSMU Council can defend that vote and this council has an opportunity to carry through the General Assembly of 2007.

Myriam Zaidi from the gallery said that if she gets a letter from someone she never met before, she would probably ask whether they want to talk. She would like to put a face on organization and see who they are before opting out. To the Council, she is asking for solidarity. You are all representative of organizations and if McGill imposed things on you without your consent, you would be angry. Students are entitled to come and decide how they want money to be reimbursed.

Councillor Paterson said that she would like to gently remind other councillors that reiterating is not a good idea for keeping debates concise.

A motion to previous question passed. By a vote of 19 for, 5 against and 5 abstentions, this motion passed.

10e. Motion Regarding SSMU Signing of AGSEM's Letter

Vice-President Clare said that regarding the motion, the letter was sent out to Councillors and was supposed to be confidential. She will be motioning to table the vote in confidential session because it is confidential. If it about specifics this can be voted on in public session, but specific aspects of the letter could be discussed in private if Councillors so choose. At this point, she would like them to make general assertions about this.

Jonathan Mooney of AGSEM, speaking from the gallery, asked that closed session be moved now.

President Knight said that kicking the gallery out now would probably not be best and Council is not ill-informed. If there could be specific questions addressed that would be helpful. Given the number of other items, she would request that we straw poll to see if people want to debate this motion.

The straw poll to debate was a majority.

Johnathan would like to suspend the rules to amend the agenda to move the in-camera session before all reports.

Vice-President Pedneault made a motion to suspend the rules to allow AGSEM representatives to give an update on their negotiations.

Johnathan Mooney said that the update is that there was a vote in favour of the use of pressure tactics. This was voted by a general assembly strongly in favour. There is also a mandate to get a talk about core issues. They couldn't respond on any of those issues so they voted on campus. There was a large rally on campus before



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Vice-President Pedneault asked "Why are none of our judicial board justices women?"
President Knight said that last year the Board was not recruited very well because the president didn't think it was legal so didn't work very hard to make sure selections were done properly.
This report was adopted.

11f. Executive Committee Report

President Knight stood for questions.

Vice-President Pedneault said it should be added under approvals by e-mail that
The executive report

12) Reports by Executives

12a. VP Clubs and Services

Vice-President Fraser put a heart at the top of her report. She said it was fun to support her fellow executives since her last report. There's nothing substantial to be reported orally, she already addressed advanced room bookings during announcements.

Councillor Kunev asked whether the report was sent by e-mail.

Chair Tong said it was sent by e-mail, it is on the website, and is in the Tm[(C)51 0 0 1 242.81 444.55 TfmETB di1 0 tETBibut



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