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b. Minutes of General Assembly Winter 2019 (2019-02-25) -- **EFE E O O OF B A**  
**EC O I D**

The Speaker notes that the Consultative Forum cannot approve the minutes, and as such, will be referred to the Board of Directors.

5. Approval of the Agenda -- **PPO E A D**

Councillor Wright motions to approve the agenda, seconded by VP Finance– PASSES.

Opposed: 2

6. New Business

a. Motion Regarding Nomination of Directors for the 2019-2020 Board of Directors  
2019-10-28 -- **PPO E CO A M EFOA L N A D I**

The President motivates the motion.

The President explains that the Board of Directors requires four (4) executives, four (4) legislative councillors, and four (\$) members-at-large. Furthermore, the President explains that Directors who had a conflict of interest were recused for part of the interview process and the voting process. The President notes that Legislative Council nominated four Legislative Councillors: Jordyn Wright (SUS), Mustafa Fakh (EUS), Adin Chan (AUS), and Rohan Bhutkar (SUS).

He explains that the Board of Directors deals with the legal, oed the legal

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Senator Lametti states that recently a statement was issued regarding

The President explains that the past fee was based on renovation, increase of staffing, and property acquisition, whereas the funding as of late is for more targeted projects, and ones directed by the executives.

Senator Lametti explains the establishment of an off-site campus of the Faculty of Medicine in Outaouais, and notes that while attendees will be members of SSMU, they would not be able to benefit from the fees. As such, Senator Lametti asks if the Executives can commit to the act of devolution until it is possible that the students are no longer members of SSMU.

VP Finance states that he has spoken with the Deputy Provost and Director of Student Accounts and he is currently looking for a way for them to be coded differently, so that they would only have to pay for fees for items they would be able to access.

Brent Jamsa, Arts, directs a question towards VP External and asks for an update on the progress of the interfaculty involvement restriction policy, and if the committee that is working on it is looking towards the implementation of an appeals process for those accused.

VP External states that the policy is entering the final phase of legal review, and they have reached a consensus on what they wanted to see out of the policy in question. In regard to the appeal process, VP External notes that there is not one currently in place. VP External makes aware that they are still in contact with the working group that was working on the development and implementation of the policy.

Kyle Dewsnap, McGill Daily, asks that in regards to the failure of the massive base fee increase, inquires if the Executives have plans to further implement the SSMU masterplan as presented by the previous Executives.

The President explains that the master plan was proposed by the previous SSMU Executives, and notes that it is not a policy nor plan of SSMU. Furthermore, the President notes that it was simply a vision that the SSMU President of the time had for the direction of the Society. For this year, the Executives are planning on moving forward with their priorities.

Senator Lametti directs a question towards the Speaker, Husayn Jamal in his capacity as Governance Documents Researcher, and inquires if the elevated quorum required for General Assemblies is a factor that discourages participation and submission of motions, noting that lack of participation at recent General Assemblies.

Husayn Jamal states that he does not have a comment as Governance Documents Researcher, but as Chair of the Comprehensive Governance Review Committee, notes that the elevated quorum is one of the items being considered by the committee. Jamal notes that after the work of the CGRC has been completed regarding the Legislative Council, they will then turn their attention to the Board of Directors. Following, they will look to review other governing bodies, such as the General Assembly.

Question Period is closed.

8. Executive Reports
  - a. Board of Directors Report (President)

The President presents the report on the Board of Directors.

The President explains that the Board of Directors is composed of 12 members, consisting of four (4) executives, four (4) Councillors of Legislative Council, and four (4) members-at-large. As well, there is also one non-voting international student representative, the President explains that this is due to SSMU's liquor license for Gert's, the Board of Directors is unable to have an international voting director.

For requirements, the President states that candidates must be eighteen years of age or older, a citizen or permanent resident of Canada, must not have declared bankruptcy, must not have been declared incapable by a court, and must not have been convicted of a crime.

The President explains that the Board of Directors is the highest governing body of the SSMU. Further, the Board of Directors is responsible for the Society's finances, operations, legal, and human resources matters. Furthermore, it ratifies the decisions of the Legislative Council. The President states that the Board meets bi-weekly.

On some of the key decisions that the Board of Directors has taken, the President explains that the Board of Directors partook in funding and actively searching for external spaces for students and student groups and services, such as 680 Sherbrooke, 3471 Peel, an office building on Robert Bourassa for the flat-bike collective. The President notes that SSMU also owns 3501 Peel Street, acquired by the Executive Committee of the 2017-2018 year.

The President explains that over the past three years, SSMU has been operating without a memorandum of understanding with McGill, which highlights and explains the legal relationship between SSMU and McGill University. As such, they have based it off of old expired memorandum

Question Period:

VP External inquires if the memorandum includes the clause often included in union agreements, whereas in the case of expiry, the terms of the old memorandum would continue to be in place.

SSMU President states that as far as he remembers, it does not have a clause regarding that currently, but would look favourably on an introduction of one.

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closure, the SSMU saved around \$800,000 in preparation for the closure, but notes that it no longer exists.

On the investment portfolio, SSMU's manager

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VP External primarily focuses on community affairs and engagement.

Similarly, VP External also works with Francophone Affairs and unions on campus.

In the case of requirement, VP External helps on political campaigns.

Alex Karasick, McGill Daily, motions for a seven minute extension, seconded by VP Finance – PASSES.

Opposed: 7

VP External states that SEED no longer exists.

9. Adjournment:

VP Finance motions to adjourn, seconded by Councillor Daryanani – PASSES.



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Bryan Buraga, President

APPROVED