



Macdonald Campus Students' Society
Association des Étudiants du Campus Macdonald
FULL COUNCIL MINUTES

A meeting of the Full Council of the Macdonald Campus Students' Society was held on **Tuesday, Feb 1, 2022** from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Present:

Jamie Depolla (<i>Speaker</i>)	Shannon Huo (<i>VP Academic</i>)
Joëlle Mottart (<i>Secretary to the Council</i>)	Karl-Antoine Hogue (<i>VP Sustainability</i>)
Chloe Garzon (<i>President</i>)	Natalya Audi (<i>BESS Rep</i>)
Defne Helvacioğlu (<i>VP Internal</i>)	Tyffany Patrier (<i>MESS Rep</i>)
Imad El Nawan (<i>VP External</i>)	Jacqueline Bede (<i>Faculty Rep</i>)
Sean Clarke (<i>VP Finance</i>)	Liam Buckley (<i>MaL</i>)
Muhammad Shariq (<i>VP BOC</i>)	Zell Song (<i>MaL</i>)
Jacques Gross (<i>VP Comm. & Student Life</i>)	
Nikulas Dworek (<i>VP University Affairs</i>)	

Regrets: Anaïs Pierre-Estimé (*VP Equity*), Yasamin Nassimi (*DHNUS Rep*), Megane Daneau (*FMT Rep*), Payton Lum (*FSA Rep*)

Absent: Ambar Maldonado Rodriguez (*AESUS Rep*) Laura Webb (*MCGSS Rep*)

Guests:

Jamie Depolla (*Speaker*), opened the meeting.

1. Administrative

● **Adoption of the Agenda**

Defne Helvacioğlu (*VP Internal*) moved to adopt the agenda as presented Chloe Garzon (*President*) seconded.
Unanimous, Carried.

● **Approval of the Minutes**

Nikulas Dworek (*VP University Affairs*) moved to adopt the minutes from Jan 18th, 2022, Sean Clarke (*VP Finance*) seconded.
Unanimous, Carried.

● **Business Arising**

- Sub-Society and MCGSS general updates
 - AESUS
 - MCGSS
 - FMT
 - BESS –Planning Winter Carnival events off campus. Card access to the McConnell building downtown not working for BREE students, reaching out to EUS for solution
 - FSA
 - DHNUS
 - MESS –Ordering crewnecks, Trivia Night successful
 - SSMU - TBD



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2. Subcommittee Business

- N/A

3. Action Items

- **3.1 MCSS Budget for Winter 2022** (Informational, Discussion, Vote)
Sean Clarke (*VP Finance*) presented: MCSS Accounts Administrator Juliana Agolli, made much needed improvements to the format for the MCSS Budget.
A discussion followed: All agreed that the new format was clear and easy to understand. A few clarifications about the budget itself were made.

Nikulas Dworek (*VP University Affairs*) moved to adopt the MCSS Budget for Winter 2022 as presented, Chloe Garzon (*President*) seconded.
Unanimous, carried.
- **3.2 MCSS Club Funding Standardized Process** (Present, Discuss, Vote)
Sean Clarke (*VP Finance*) presented: He reworked the MCSS Club Fund Request application and will be creating a new evaluation committee to standardize the process. A new evaluation system of impact factors will be used. This committee will have 5 members from the Council and BOC committee. This semester the submission deadline will be Feb 11th, and hopefully, the evaluation committee can quickly finalize the fund requests for approval from Council before March Break.

A discussion followed: All agreed the new process is much improved and that the Evaluation Committee will ensure fair and equitable allocation of funding to clubs.

Sean Clarke (*VP Finance*) moved to adopt the new MCSS Club Fund Request form and standardize evaluation process as presented, Defne Helvacioğlu (*VP Internal*) seconded.
Unanimous, carried.
- **3.3 MCSS Council Positions Update** (Informational)
Chloe Garzon (*President*): Imad El-Nawan (*VP External*) has stepped down from his position on Council, his contribution to the vaccination campaign was very helpful. Since then, Council members were able to absorb his duties.
- **3.4 Autorité des Marchés Financiers (AMF)/Studentcare Update** (Informational, Discussion)



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Chloe Garzon (*President*) presented: The AMF regulates the process for insurance companies. They have instructed Studentcare to advise us that they would like us to switch from our current opt out insurance plan to and opt in option for our students. Studentcare had to let us know about it, but we have learned that we are not obligated to comply.

A discussion followed on the pros and cons of each option. There will be a meeting on Feb 2nd, between Studentcare and some 30 Quebec student associations, in French, so Karl-Antoine Hogue (*VP Sustainability*) kindly agreed to attend and report back to Council with more information. Chloe Garzon (*President*) will find out if where SSMU stands on the issue.

- **3.5 Involvement Restriction Policy (IRP) for Frosh**

(Informational, Discussion)

Defne Helvacioğlu (*VP Internal*): SSMU has been using this policy for a few years now. It ensures a safe environment for their staff, members and visitors while attending their events. It is essentially a black list of individuals who have had complaints about their behavior. MCSS would like to be included in this process so that we can have access to the list of restricted persons in time for Frosh next semester. The document we need to sign needs to be updated by SSMU, but delays have been long, They are asking us to sign it as is, to be edited later.

A discussion followed: All agreed that we should go ahead and sign on, the benefits are important for our students' safety.

Chloe Garzon (*President*) moved that MCSS sign on to SSMU's Involvement Restriction Policy (IRP), Nikulas Dworek (*VP University Affairs*) seconded.

Unanimous, Carried

- **3.6 Lecture Recordings for All Mac Classes** (Informational, Discussion)

Shannon Huo (*VP Academic*): Although classes are back in-person, most professors continue to make lectures available online for students still reluctant to attend in-person. She has had students report that one professor is requiring a medical note before making this accommodation. How can we better support our students?

A discussion followed: Since professors cannot be mandated to provide recorded lectures online according to the DPSLL, Chloe Garzon (*President*) will bring it up with Associate Dean, Student Affairs, Valerie Orsat. All agreed that the making this available to our students is most important.



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- **3.7 Ceilidh Opening** (Informational)
Chloe Garzon (*President*): In-person extra-curricular activities and events are currently suspended, therefore we can't host events in the Ceilidh until the Quebec government issues new directives.

4. Reports

Jacques Gross (*VP Comm. & Student Life*)

MCSS Faculty Rep

Dr. Caroline Begg has graciously agreed to fill in as MCSS Faculty Rep she will begin in a few weeks and see us through to the end of the semester.

5. Next Meeting

Chloe Garzon (*President*): Next meeting on Tues, Feb 15th, 2022 at 5:30pm, on Zoom

6. Adjournment

Nikulas Dworek (*VP University Affairs*) moved to adjourn, Liam Buckley (*MaL*) seconded.

Unanimous, carried.

President _____

Secretary _____