



**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 **Monday, Oct 2, 2023, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.** in CC-162

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**Present:**

( <i>Speaker</i> )	Silas Sweeten ( <i>AESUS Rep</i> )
Joëlle Mottart ( <i>Secretary to the Council</i> )	Juliette Gauthier ( <i>BESS Rep</i> )
Henry Lee ( <i>President</i> )	Ririka Saito ( <i>FSA Rep</i> )
Blake Callan ( <i>VP Comm. &amp; Student Life</i> )	Anna Pieper ( <i>MESS Rep</i> )
Vaishnavi Parey ( <i>VP University Affairs</i> )	Fernando Altamura ( <i>Faculty Rep</i> )
Marion Morrisette ( <i>VP Equity &amp; Sustainability</i> )	Katie (Anna) Chong ( <i>MaL</i> )
	Leo Mueller ( <i>MaL</i> )

**Regrets:** Maria El Dahdah (*VP Finance*), Ambar Maldonado Rodriguez (*MCGSS Rep*)

**Absent:** Alireza Roosta (*DHNUS Rep*), Luke Singer (*VP BOC*), Defne Helvacioğlu (*VP Internal*), Connor Velthius (*FMT Rep*)

**Guests:** Shona Watt (*SPF*)

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Sahar Sakhi (*Speaker*) opened the meeting.

## 1. Administrative

- **Adoption of the Agenda**

Fernando Altamura (*Faculty Rep*) moved to adopt the agenda as presented Vaishnavi Parey (*VP University Affairs*) seconded.  
Unanimous, Carried.

- **Approval of the Minutes**

Henry Lee (*President*) moved to adopt the minutes from Sept 18, 2023, Fernando Altamura (*Faculty Rep*) seconded.  
Unanimous, Carried.

- **Business Arising**

- Sub-Society and MCGSS general updates
  - AESUS -Event planning: Pumpkin picking, Merch orders soon
  - MCGSS
  - FMT
  - BESS - EUS has now granted us access to Eng building downtown, Integration went well, Mactoberfest planned, QEC Jan 2024,
  - FSA -Meet & Greet in Sept, Roundtable Oct 13, Quinn Farm Oct 23, Hot Sauce Masterclass soon.
  - DHNUS
  - MESS -Downtown: BBQ went well, Meet & Greet Oct 25.



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## 2. Subcommittee Business

- N/A

## 3. Action Items

- **3.1 SPF Annual Report** (Informational)

Shona Watt (*Sustainability Manager, McGill Office of Sustainability (MOOS)*) presented the SPF Annual report: -\$12 million allocated to sustainability initiatives since 2010

- 338 projects approved.
- Budgets ranged from \$40 to \$400,000
- 15,000 + people trained.
- 6,100 volunteers mobilized.

Marion Morrisette (*VP Equity & Sustainability*) also was part of the SPF Governance council this year, which meets monthly.

- **3.2 McGill Town Hall: Response to the Asbestos Issue at Mac** (Informational)

Henry Lee (*President*), Anna Pieper (*MESS Rep*) presented: Held at Mac on Sept 22 to address the university's response to the asbestos issue in the Macdonald Stewart-Raymond-Barton Complex. An internal audit resulted in 25 recommendations for improvement. A taskforce has been created to implement these improvements over the next 3 to 12 months. A panel of experts explained the health risks involved followed by Q & A. Professors, staff and students voiced their frustrations and concerns.

MCSS would like to have student council representation at further meetings on this issue.

- **3.3 Meeting with the Dean** (Informational, discussion)

Henry Lee (*President*), Vaishnavi Parey (*VP University Affairs*), Blake Callan (*VP Comm. & Student Life*)

Open discussion on issues to be discussed in our upcoming meeting with Dean Geitmann:

- Asbestos debrief - overall communication with administration when situations like this arise. Make a summary of the report available to students.
- Shuttle bus - improving communication with the shuttle bus staff and the students, bringing up repeated issues with the shuttle bus. A survey will be created.
- Free menstrual products to be made available at Mac.
- REM Commuter train update will there be transportation from Mac.

- **3.4 Election Results** (Informational)

Henry Lee (*President*):

**Members-at-Large:** Katie (Anna) Chong and Leo Mueller

**BOC Members:** Julia Gisholt and Ariane Letourneau

Defne Helvacioğlu (VP Internal) will be stepping down at the end of October, we thank her for delivering this year's amazing Frosh and all the work she has done for



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MCSS over the years. We will have a by-election for the position of VP Internal the tentative timeline is as follows:

- Nominations open now until Oct 17
- OSSM on Oct 17<sup>th</sup> in the Ceilidh
- Elections on myinvolvement starting Oct 24 -Oct 29

- **3.5 Rainbow Mac Club Constitution Update** (informational, discussion, vote)  
Blake Callan *VP (Comm. & Student Life)* presented the club constitution, a discussion followed.

Vaishnavi Parey (*VP University Affairs*) moved to adopt the Rainbow Mac Club Constitution as presented, Marion Morrisette (*VP Equity & Sustainability*) seconded.  
Unanimous, carried.

- **3.6 Mature Student Community Club** (informational, discussion, vote)  
Blake Callan *VP (Comm. & Student Life)* presented the club constitution, a discussion followed.

Vaishnavi Parey (*VP University Affairs*) moved to adopt the Mature Student Community Club Constitution as presented, Fernando Altamura (*Faculty Rep*) seconded.  
Unanimous, carried.

#### 4. Reports

- **President**

- Will be meeting with the Dean after Reading Break
- Bringing back feedback forms from last year:
  - Academic Advisor survey
  - MCSS executive/staff survey

- **VP Equity & Sustainability**

- Working on Equity Processes and procedures and bathroom posters.
- Calendar of important days for the fall semester will be completed this week.
- Menstrual health project.

- **VP University Affairs**

- Making a post simplifying the audit
- Start working on the IRP
- Emailed Christine butler

- **VP Communications.**

-Vaish and I sent in MCSS's views on the Internal Audit Final Report to Tribune today



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-Going to begin forming the club toolkit

-Academic Affairs committee meeting this Wednesday, will discuss library hours, shuttle survey, and potential post-audit survey.

#### 5. Next Meeting

Henry Lee (*President*): Next meeting on Mon, Oct 16, 2023 at 5:30pm, in CC-162

#### 6. Adjournment

Fernando Altamura (*Faculty Rep*) moved to adjourn; Vaishnavi Parey (*VP University Affairs*) seconded.

Unanimous, carried.

President \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary \_\_\_\_\_