



## Macdonald Campus Students' Society

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A meeting of the full Council of the Macdonald Campus Students' Society was held on **Tuesday, Nov 4, 2025**, from 5:30pm-7pm, in CC-162

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### Present:

Euan Martin (*Speaker*) no vote

Joëlle Mottart (*Secretary to the Council*) no vote

Farhan Rafat (*President*)

Joshua Cao (*VP Internal*)

Asahi Suzuki (*VP Finance*)

Thomas Giblin (*VP BOC*)

\_\_\_\_\_ (*VP Comm & Student Life*)

Owen Pflipsen (*VP University Affairs*)

Elliott Rabier (*VP Equity & Sustainability*)

Vaishnavi Parey (*AESUS Rep*)

Alyson Meadows (*BESS Rep*)

Ariane Ly (*DHNUS Rep*)

Ariane Leroux (*FMT Rep*)

Yousif Hujaij (*FSA Rep*)

Nami Unzicker (*MESS Rep*) no vote

Sebastien Faucher (*Faculty Rep*)

Mia Mallek (*MaL*)

Frohar Dost (*MaL*)

Zelie Vernon (*Freshmen Rep*) no vote

### Regrets:

**Absent:** Maxwell Enning (*MCGSS Rep*) no vote

### Guests:

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Euan Martin (*Speaker*) opened the meeting

## 1. Administrative

- **Adoption of the Agenda**

- Thomas Giblin (*VP BOC*) moved to adopt the agenda, Elliott Rabier (*VP Equity & Sustainability*) seconded.  
Unanimous, carried.

- **Approval of the Minutes**

Elliott Rabier (*VP Equity & Sustainability*) moved to adopt the minutes from Oct 21, 2025, Sebastien Faucher (*Faculty Rep*) seconded  
Unanimous, carried.

- **Business Arising**

- Sub-Society and MCGSS general updates
  - AESUS
  - MCGSS
  - FMT
  - BESS Things to add to Owen's Shuttle Bus proposal
    - Mutrac and robotics tutorials



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- Intramural sports
  - BESS events (integration (important one to bring BREE community together), harvest BBQ, Sainte-Anne crawl)
  - Cut some buses that are not as used like the 12pm
  - 2 events coming up - Nov 14 career panel with BREE alumni
  - -Nov 21st harvest BBQ
  - STM strike
  - can MCSS help students in any way?
  - could this be a reason to add more shuttles?
  - would there be any value in offering McGill server training for Mac, outside of Blues events
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- FSA
  - DHNUS
  - MESS

## 2. Subcommittee Business

- **Item Name, (position)**

## 3. Action Items

### 3.1 Freshmen Rep addition to MCSS By-Laws, Adoption (Info, Discussion, Vote)

Owen Pflipsen (*VP University Affairs*): Freshmen students have been feeling isolated since the elimination of Floor Fellows last year, they no longer have a person to go to with their inquiries. Therefore, to fill the gap, we propose adding a Freshmen Rep position to the MCSS By-Laws. This would be a non-voting seat. If adopted, the change will be reflected in the MCSS Constitution.

A discussion followed:

Eliott Rabier (*VP Equity & Sustainability*) moved to adopt the addition of “Freshmen Rep” in section 1.10 and 1.10.1 of the MCSS By-Laws Thomas Giblin (*VP BOC*) seconded.  
Unanimous, carried

### 3.2 Updates on Shuttle Bus Project and Form (Info, Discussion)

Farhan Rafat (*President*), Owen Pflipsen (*VP University Affairs*)



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We met with Director of Academic & Services, Christine Butler and Associate Dean, Student Affairs, David Titiley-Peloquin to find a way to add shuttle bus services to Mac. The cost would fall solely on the Mac campus to add an 8:30pm from Mac and 9:30pm from Downtown, weekdays only. We would have to implement a fee to offset the cost. This plan would only be in effect until the REM service line is complete. More discussion needed, updates soon.

### **3.3 MCSS Financial Statement-May 31, 2025, Adoption** (Info, Discussion, Vote)

Asahi Suzuki (*VP Finance*) presented the financial report: Compared to the previous year, we reduced our deficit by 10 times due to change in restaurant operations, by sourcing out the food to a local business instead of having our own cooking staff. The Ceilidh bar revenue was stable. Moving forward we need to work on promoting our Ceilidh events.

A discussion followed: FMT student observers at the meeting suggested having fewer larger events at the Ceilidh instead of the regular weekly Rec Night and Bar Nights.

Elliott Rabier (*VP Equity & Sustainability*) moved to adopt the MCSS Financial Statement-May 31, 2025, as presented Farhan Rafat (*President*) seconded  
Unanimous, carried.

### **3.4 Introducing Microsoft Teams for MCSS** (Info, Discussion)

Elliott Rabier (*VP Equity & Sustainability*): We have created a group for this year's Council on Teams to have all our communications in one place. We will be starting to use it as soon as possible.

### **3.5 Introducing the MCSS Newsletter on Instagram** (Info, Discussion)

Farhan Rafat (*President*): To improve viewing of the MCSS Newsletter currently sent to our MCSS Listserv (undergrads and some staff) he will be posting the items on Instagram to reach more students.

### **3.6 Remembrance Day at John Abbott** (Info, Discussion)

Farhan Rafat (*President*): He will be reading a poem at the ceremony.

Join us Thursday, November 6 from 10:30 - 11:30 AM at John Abbott College Memorial Field. Flag planting ceremony to follow at the Veterans Monument.



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### **3.7 Mac Halloween quick wrap up (Info, Discussion)**

Joshua Cao (*VP Internal*): We had a good event, with no major incidents with over 300 people attending. Summary:

- Security agent should circulate more
- Raffle for a free drink was good
- Bar operation went smoothly

## **4. Reports**

### **• President**

- The MCSS Newsletter on Instagram is starting. Please email the MCSS President (later to be the VP Comms) with anything you would like to include.
- Remembrance Day is November 6<sup>th</sup>

### **• VP Internal**

- Ski trip not looking good
- Please convince your friends to come, and also yourself (please please please I'm begging)
- It would be such a pity if we don't have a ski trip this year...

### **• VP University Affairs**

- Sub-committee on Physical Facilities Meeting
  - Talked about projects and funding on campus, farm space, new farm building, etc...
  - Light discussion regarding REM
- Senate Caucus
  - Still revising the student code of conduct
- Moving forward with the shuttle project
  - Google form
- Starting a UA subcommittee??

### **• VP Equity & Sustainability**

- Sustainable Events Certification
  - Completed training and am now a student ambassador, with the power to certify events following the guidelines
  - Ideally, this will become part of the position's mandate, with every VP Equity & Sustainability completing the training and making it easier/more available for Mac events to be certified



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- Aim is to have all events go through this process and become certified (might be reserved to big events for now, have to see if the effort and process is actually worth it for smaller club events)

**5. Next Meeting**

Farhan Rafat (*President*): Next meeting on Tue, Nov 18, 2025, at 5:30pm in CC-162.

**6. Adjournment**

Farhan Rafat (*President*) moved to adjourn, Asahi Suzuki (*VP Finance*) seconded.

Unanimous, carried.

President \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary \_\_\_\_\_