



**Macdonald Campus Students' Society**  
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A meeting of the full Council of the Macdonald Campus Students' Society was held on **Monday, Mar 23, 2026**, from 5:30pm-7pm, in CC-150

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**Present:**

Josie Weber (*Speaker*) no vote

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

Farhan Rafat (*President*)

Joshua Cao (*VP Internal*)

Asahi Suzuki (*VP Finance*)

Madeline Heffernan (*VP BOC*)

Juliana Reppin (*VP Comm & Student Life*)

Owen Pflipsen (*VP University Affairs*)

Elea Demetriou (*VP Equity & Sustainability*)

Vaishnavi Parey (*AESUS Rep*)

Alyson Meadows (*BESS Rep*)

Ariane Ly (*DHNUS Rep*)

Arianne Leroux (*FMT Rep*)

Yousif Hujajj (*FSA Rep*)

Nami Unzicker (*MESS Rep*) no vote

Sebastien Faucher (*Faculty Rep*)

Zelie Vernon (*Freshmen Rep*) no vote

**Regrets:** Mia Mallek (*MaL*)

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

**Guests:** Félix Clément, Dahlia Petros

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Josie Weber (*Speaker*) opened the meeting

**1. Administrative**

• **Adoption of the Agenda**

Joshua Cao (*VP Internal*) moved to adopt the agenda, Farhan Rafat (*President*) seconded.  
Unanimous, carried.

• **Approval of the Minutes**

Owen Pflipsen (*VP University Affairs*) moved to adopt the minutes from Mar 9, 2025,  
Juliana Reppin (*VP Comm & Student Life*) seconded.  
Unanimous, carried.

• **Business Arising**

- Sub-Society and MCGSS general updates
  - AESUS: -Giveaway Mar 19, Grad breakfast planning
  - MCGSS
  - FMT: 2 FMT teams entered the Guelph Judging Competition.
  - BESS: Do any of the Reps have an update on the equipment fund I proposed a couple meetings ago? Answer: No, Farhan will follow up.



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- Vaish and Haven club- BESS members said some would be interested in being apart of the new student networking session, I would also love to help out. Answer: Collab will happen for U0 mixer event.
- Events coming up: BREE Banquet March 25, and our VP equity wants to do some sort of exam giveaway during finals
- FSA: Collab w/DHNUS: Sugar Shack Apr 10
- DHNUS:
  - Career Day on March 25th confirmed to be at the MS Faculty Lounge, from 5:30 to 7:30pm
  - End of Year Gathering networking event for Nutrition students on April 27th at the Ceilidh at 4 pm
  - Plan on working on a Food Lab tour video, TBD
  - Collab with FSH for the Sugar Shack event on April 10th. Will be open for non-FSA/DHNUS Students at 40\$/person, 30\$/person for FSA/DHNUS students
- MESS

## 2. Subcommittee Business

- University-affairs: no new updates, Owen needs to edit PASL posters
- Business Operations
- Internal: working on Grad Ball now, last project this year! Survey out now for Mac Day reviews

## 3. Action Items

### 3.1 MCSS By-Laws Update -Section 5. Election Policies (Info, Disc, Vote)

*Farhan Rafat (President)*: The MCSS By-Laws need to be updated, the elections policies are old and we have since, moved to an online voting platform. A discussion followed

Farhan Rafat (*President*) moved to adopt the MCSS By-Laws update of section 5. Election Policies as presented, Asahi Suzuki (*VP Finance*) seconded.

Unanimous, carried.

### 3.2 Valedictorian Auditions (Informational, Discussion, Vote)

*Juliana Reppin (VP Comm. & Student Life)* We need 2 candidates, one for the morning and afternoon ceremonies. The 4 submitted videos were shared with all Council members. There were no submissions for the afternoon, so we will reach out to students again.



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A discussion followed:

The Valedictorian nominated by MCSS to speak at the Convocation's morning ceremony is Philippe Leblond who is in Bioresource Engineering.

### 3.2 Emerging Involvement Award (Informational, Discussion, Vote)

*Farhan Rafat (President)* opened the discussion on candidates for this award; the prize is \$100.

A discussion followed:

Somay Korkmaz was selected by the majority for her work on our Internal Committee, Ski Trip, Mac Day and boosting Freshmen involvement this past year.

### 3.3 Jean Brown Award (Informational, Discussion, Vote)

*Farhan Rafat (President)* presented the Jean Brown Award criteria and opened the discussion for candidates for this award. A discussion followed; the chosen candidate's name will be submitted to the Student Affairs Office for approval of academic standing.

### 3.4 MCSS Honorariums (Informational, Discussion, Vote)

*Farhan Rafat (President)* presented: As in past years there was an exceptional amount of work done by the Executives on behalf of the MCSS Council. In particular, challenging times for the Ceilidh and boosting engagement with events and activities.

We would like to propose the same this year for our execs for their many hours of contribution without remuneration.

This year's amount would be as follows:

President \$2000	Farhan
VP Internal \$1750	Joshua
VP Finance \$1750	Asahi
VP BOC 1 \$600	Thomas (Fall)
VP BOC 2 \$600	Madeline (Winter)
VP Communication \$500	Juliana (Winter)
VP University Affair \$1300	Owen
VP Equity & Sust 1 \$500	Elliott (Fall)
VP Equity & Sust 2 \$500	Elea (Winter)

The 6 executive members will abstain from this vote and leave the meeting now, so that the rest of the Council (6 members) can discuss and vote. A discussion followed.



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Vaishnavi Parey (*AESUS Rep*) moved to allocate MCSS Exec honorariums as above, payable by April 30th, 2026, Alyson Meadows (*BESS Rep*) seconded.

For: 6                  Against: 0                  Abstain: 0                  Motion Carried

#### 4. Reports

##### VP Finance

- Fee Advisory Committees is postponed

##### VP Communications

- Mac Day discussion
- Group photo for the website & handbook

##### VP University Affairs

- Senate: ID Policy still heavily debated
- Student Senators working on AI Guidelines, will be worked on into next year
- SSMU Elections are over

#### 5. Next Meeting

Farhan Rafat (*President*): Next, will be a joint meeting with the incoming execs, on Tue, **Apr 13**, 2026 at 5:30pm in CC-150

#### 6. Adjournment

\_\_\_\_\_ moved to adjourn, \_\_\_\_\_ seconded  
Unanimous, carried

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