



Science Undergraduate Society of McGill University

Burnside Hall, Room 1B21,
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September 28th, 2016
Science Undergraduate Society
General Council Meeting
LEA, Room 232
7:30 PM

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order**
 - 1.1. Official start time: 7:37 PM
2. **Attendance**
3. **Approval of Minutes**
4. **Approval of Agenda**
5. **Announcements**
6. **Reports of Executives**
 - 6.1. **President**
 - 6.1.1. **SUCCESS Committee**
 - 6.1.2. **Working to renovate Burnside**
 - 6.1.2.1. Costly; will be split into phases
 - 6.1.2.2. Direct your questions to the President
 - 6.2. **VP Academic**
 - 6.2.1. **Academic Events**
 - 6.2.1.1. Excel-erate: Excel workshop
 - 6.2.1.1.1. Right now: September 28th, 6-9pm, Stewart Biology N2/2
 - 6.2.2. **Graduate and Professional Schools Fair**
 - 6.2.2.1. 66/66 schools registered
 - 6.2.2.2. First meeting last Wednesday
 - 6.2.3. **McGill Writing Center Workshops finalized**
 - 6.2.3.1. Congratulations to Biology and Psychology!
 - 6.2.4. **Redbooks**
 - 6.2.4.1. Committee finalized
 - 6.2.4.2. First meeting Friday
 - 6.2.5. **Academia Week**
 - 6.2.5.1. Committee finalized
 - 6.2.5.2. First meeting Friday
 - 6.2.6. **Faculty of Science Committee and Academic Committee**
 - 6.2.6.1. Thank you for reminding your Presidents and VP Academics!
 - 6.2.7. **SSMART: Science Students of McGill Academic Roundtable**



- 6.2.7.1. Facebook group formed
- 6.2.7.2. Please confirm with your VP Academics that they've been added

6.3. VP Internal

6.3.1. SEC

- 6.3.1.1. Committee has been hired
- 6.3.1.2. Hype Night - November 9th
- 6.3.1.3. Event will launch soon

6.3.2. Apartment Crawl

- 6.3.2.1. Friday details
 - 6.3.2.1.1. Payment NOT by Tilt; invoice by department
 - 6.3.2.1.2. Friday afternoon on FB group for teams details
- 6.3.2.2. Need numbers ASAP (by tonight)

6.3.3. Sports Reps

- 6.3.3.1. Hired two more

6.3.4. Science Games

- 6.3.4.1. Venue bookings have begun
- 6.3.4.2. New initiative established

6.4. VP External

6.4.1. Equity

- 6.4.1.1. Exec equity workshop is almost done
- 6.4.1.2. VP Externals to get emails soon
- 6.4.1.3. Execs from all departments should attend

6.4.2. Free brunch on October 4th

- 6.4.2.1. Outreach initiative
- 6.4.2.2. Please invite people from your department; include in the Listserv for next week

6.4.3. SUSEC

- 6.4.3.1. Coffee Sponsorship from Santropol
 - 6.4.3.1.1. 20 pounds of coffee for weekly coffee sales @ Burnside Basement
- 6.4.3.2. Herb sale soon
 - 6.4.3.2.1. Planted basil last Saturday; will be given away for free/by donation to an environmental charity
- 6.4.3.3. Research initiatives
 - 6.4.3.3.1. Making composting more accessible at McGill
 - 6.4.3.3.2. Getting environmental guidelines on SUS events

6.4.4. SUStainability Month

- 6.4.4.1. Committee meetings began last week



- 6.4.4.1.1. Working on exciting projects: Talent show, pet therapy, soccer tournament etc.
 - 6.4.4.1.2. T/R Samosa Sales
 - 6.4.5. Remember to start planning for your department's charity month**
 - 6.4.5.1. Most raised gets Science Games Points!
 - 6.4.5.2. Potentially making volunteer hours count towards the departmental point count: please let me know what you think
- 6.5. VP Communications**
 - 6.5.1. First Public Relations Committee meeting**
 - 6.5.1.1. Looking to hire more members
 - 6.5.2. Photography service**
 - 6.5.2.1. FREE: Available for all departments
 - 6.5.2.2. Email VP Communications for more information
 - 6.5.3. Appointed positions applications extended**
- 6.6. VP Finance**
 - 6.6.1. Budget will be brought to the floor next GC, voting at 4th GC**
 - 6.6.1.1. Will go through budget line by line
 - 6.6.1.2. ALL must attend next GC
 - 6.6.1.3. Pre-budget consultation form to be posted on GC facebook group
 - 6.6.1.4. Find SUS budget on SUS website
 - 6.6.2. Audit to take place Oct 3rd-7th**
 - 6.6.2.1. Missing one department's bank statements: BASiC
 - 6.6.3. Finance committee have evaluated departmental summer audits; audit scores have been sent out and affect funding**
 - 6.6.4. Fund application period for this semester ends second week of November**
 - 6.6.4.1. Student space improvement fund
 - 6.6.4.2. Special events
 - 6.6.4.3. Ask your VP finances how fund applications work
 - 6.6.5. Meetings with associate Deans with regard to various funds**
 - 6.6.5.1. Meeting about Ambassador/Scholarship fund
- 6.7. Executive Revenue Officer**
 - 6.7.1. Looking for sponsorship committee members**
 - 6.7.1.1. Tell ERO if you know anyone interested in interacting with local businesses
- 6.8. Executive Administrator**



6.8.1. Table bookings

6.8.1.1. Booked through all of Oct. and half of Nov. for samosa sales

6.8.2. Bulletin boards in Burnside basement

6.8.2.1. Several posters removed

6.8.2.2. Reminder to get stamped approval from SUS office

6.8.3. General Council

6.8.3.1. Attendance is mandatory of all departments and absences will be noted

6.8.3.2. See posted link on FB page (titled by the date) with all documents for any given GC

6.9. Executor of Clubs and Services

6.9.1. Position still not filled

7. Science Senator Report

7.1. ESAAC

7.1.1. SQ; Next meeting October 4th

7.2. TLSWG

7.2.1. Discussed action items from Functional Year 17, taking submissions for FY18

7.2.2. Will be putting out survey to collect student input on what rooms need renovations, new IT equipment, or repairs/changes in furniture

7.2.2.1. Due dates: October 11 and November 8

7.2.3. Next meeting October 20th

7.3. SLWG

7.3.1. SQ; Next meeting October 20th

7.4. Senate

7.4.1. Held this past Wednesday

7.4.2. Answered question on the PHYG 209 software in use and other softwares like it

7.4.2.1. Committee is being struck to look into how to better use the technologies we already have rights to so that students are not purchasing as much software

7.4.3. Also had question on implementation of sustainability points brought up at the end of last year answered

7.4.4. Discussed the harassment report and academic honesty reports

7.4.5. Next senate meeting is October 19th where sexual violence policy will be discussed, amongst other topics

7.5. Personal Information

7.5.1. Phone: 514-571-1240

7.5.2. Email: sciencesenator1@ssmu.mcgill.ca

7.5.3. Will be looking to have office hours scheduled before next GC meeting

8. Reports of SSMU Representatives



8.1. Last Legislative Council: September 15th

8.1.1. Approval of Standing Rules and Committee Allocations

8.1.1.1. Ashby:

8.1.1.1.1. Student's Society Programming Network

8.1.1.1.1.1. Planning social events; ensuring GA attendance

8.1.1.1.2. Financial Ethics Research Committee

8.1.1.1.2.1. Ensures appropriate investment

8.1.1.2. Anoosh:

8.1.1.2.1. Funding Committee

8.1.1.2.1.1. Allocations of funds for clubs/groups

8.1.1.3. Caitlin:

8.1.1.3.1. University Affairs Committee

8.1.1.3.1.1. Working with Erin Sobat and university outreach

8.1.2. Equitable Governance Ad-Hoc Committee

8.1.2.1. Created to try and break down barriers to entry for elected positions and positions of power

8.1.2.2. Potentially removing seats from Science to make room for seats specifically assigned to marginalized groups

8.1.2.2.1. I.e. Equity seat

8.1.2.2.2. Still tentative; not necessarily removing Science seats

8.1.3. Provincial Representation Ad-Hoc Committee

8.1.3.1. Build awareness, conduct consultation, and develop stances regarding the impact of provincial political issues.

8.1.3.1.1. AVEQ

8.1.4. Committees Terms of Reference

8.1.4.1. Creation of Library Improvement Fund Committee

8.1.4.2. Creation of Mental Health Committee Subcommittees

8.1.4.2.1. One for outreach and one for advocacy

8.1.4.3. SSPN added two more councillor positions

8.1.4.4. Creation of Health and Dental Review Committee

8.1.4.5. Removal of Complaints Investigation Committee

8.1.5. Accountable Leadership Policy

8.1.5.1. Motion to restrict councillors filling member at large positions

8.2. Next Legislative Council: September 29th

9. Reports of Departments

9.1. CSUS

9.1.1. Wine and Cheese on Sept 14th

9.1.2. Opening CS help-desk this week on Trottier 3rd Floor



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9.1.3. Started hosting office hours

9.1.4. CSUS conference fund

9.1.4.1. Undergrads can apply for grant to help fund trip to tech conferences

9.1.5. Collaborate with SUMS and MSPS for Awkward Mixer

9.2. CUSS

9.2.1. Successful Apartment Crawl last week

9.2.2. Collaboration with biochemistry for NTCs

9.2.3. Held chemstores in first few weeks: sold lab coats, goggles, etc.

9.2.4. Working on chemistry department clothing

9.3. MACSS

9.3.1. New website

9.3.2. Successful Gert's night 2 weeks ago

9.3.3. Successful student budgeting seminar

9.3.4. Welcome-Back BBQ was very popular

9.3.5. Undergrad lab recruitment luncheon to help student get research position

9.3.6. Wine and Cheese on October 13th

9.3.7. Peer support initiative

9.3.8. Deciding what to do with 3D printer (!!)

10. New Business

10.1. Motion to Amend the McGill Society of Physics Students (MSPS) Constitution

10.1.1. Motion carries

10.2. Motion to Nominate Members of Constitutional Affairs Committee (CAC)

10.2.1. Tabled to next GC to vote on Committee as a whole

10.2.1.1. Pass this on to your constituents

10.3. Motion to Approve the 2016-2017 FUSS Election Dates

10.3.1. Motion carries

11. Adjournment

11.1. Official end time: 8:25 PM

Date of Next GC: October 12th, 2016