**Arts Undergraduate Society of McGill University**

**Legislative Council**

**April 3rd, 2019, 6:00 PM**

* 1. Call to Order
     + 6:10 pm
  2. Territorial Acknowledgement
     + AUS would like to acknowledge that McGill University is situated on the traditional territory of the Kanien’kehá:ka, a place which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange amongst nations. AUS recognizes and respects the Kanien’kehá:ka as the traditional custodians of the lands and water on which we meet today.
  3. Roll Call
  4. Meeting Minutes for Approval: [Meeting Minutes February 27th 2019](http://ausmcgill.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/AUS-Meeting-February-27th-2019.docx)
     + Minutes approved
  5. Approval of the Agenda
     + President Maria Thomas motions to move item 11.1 to number 6
     + President Maria Thomas motions to add all late motions to the agenda
  6. Announcements
     + AUS Awards happening April 10th – everyone should happ
     + PSSA: MJPS launch and PSSA awards are happening Monday
     + MPSA: Having a semi-formal on Friday
     + President Maria Thomas:
  7. Arabic Summer Program: Cultural activities promoting language usage in a less formal environment. Provides students with practice opportunities. Arabic has formal and informal languages (depends on reading/writing and speaking).
     + PSA is a move on this motion
     + This motion passes
  8. Appointment of VP Services
     + Davis: U1 student studying IDS and sociology. Was on student council in high school and joined the exec council in their senior year. Taught him about mediation and he helped edit the constitution. Helped him acquire teamwork skills and the ability to take criticism. He was a sports coordinator. He learned a lot about himself and was able to learn quickly. He learns from mistakes and doesn’t repeat them. He is a retired varsity football player due to a concussion.
       - VP External asks about time management: he responds detailing how his ski racing experience helped him with this
       - MESS asks about student government at McGill: he hasn’t been involved before due to football
       - PSA asks about what barriers the candidate feels about the position: he wants to make sure all students have access to updated syllabi
     + Godwin: Second year student doing his honours in econ and finance. He recognizes the importance of the AUS and what he can do in the position. He finds the francophone committee, essay center, among other services, to be very important. He is in a fraternity and organizes the philanthropy endeavours.
       - PSA asks about what barriers the candidate feels about the position: he believes McGill students are not aware of the services that are available to them
       - VP External asks about time management and organization: he feels as though he has good time management skills as he works 17 hours a week and has thus developed good time management skills.
       - PSA asks about a weakness the candidate can acknowledge: he is ambitious with can be detrimental in some circumstances but this can be aided by having a good team
     + Haidee (she/her): A U2 student working on her double major. She is a Taurus. She has been involved with the AUS and IDSSA. Has been on the academic sub committee and informing students of different opportunities. She is organized, dependable and has the team-oriented skills to do well. She plans to expand the AUS’ reach and audience. Was unaware of some services and wants them to be more widely known. Will hang posters in high traffic areas.
       - VP External asks about organization and time management: she has learned when to prioritize and when to drop things when there is too much. She feels it is best to focus on a couple things.
       - GSFSA asks about experience with room and table bookings: she has been part of phonathon and right to play. She has experience requesting tables.
       - PSA asks what is one weakness you have: she says she can be unsure of herself.
       - ACE asks about how outreach would be expanded: she says there is too much information and that small things fall through the cracks. She believes it will help if we post posters in high-traffic areas.
       - Word of mouth and posting on individual facebok groups and hard to get out there
       - MESS: whats your rising? Friend didn’t tell her
     + Sammy (), when it comes to VP services, was excited because has ltos of potential and we cnan address that when it comes to things like the AUS essay centre but it needs to be re-tooled to have more French services, lot of similar services in organization could be to act as a place where these services are centralized but redirect them for where to help, the arts lounge is fun but kind of a mess, would work closely with building services and figure out to put that space better and this position can create a space for mental health and equity
       - CSUS: touched a lot on ideas, can you talk about experience? Work in international sudent services and work with planners and fiure out services to address their specific needs, the role I have played with them can come in hand when being a VP service. Lot of experience handling with finance task
       - PSA asks about dealing with conflict: he can have tough conversations and is able to deal with conflict
       - VP External asks yet again about time management and organization: he has been working on this his whole life
     + Xavier: He moved to Canada when he was 16. He used sports as a way to improve time management and has played rugby. He is a U0 and wants to get involved. He got involved in fraternity life.
       - VP external asks about time management/organization: he got really involved in his high school and involved with the rugby team. He also was on the swim team. He can organize himself.
       - PSA asks what his biggest weakness is: He has language barriers and may stutter. However, he is not shy and does not hold himself back.
       - CSUS asks about new ideas for the role: he does not know the hardships of the role but he is excited to have the opportunity to organize events and reach out to sponsors will be good for the AUS
     + Catherina (she/her): A U1 in joint honours in econ and finance. Student body president in high school. Has been on the African students association. She wants to organize self-defence classes. In terms of time management, she has been able to organize her classes and activities. Her weakest quality is that she overthinks things. Her mom always tells her to just fly a little bit. Really promotes women security on campus.
       - DESA asks about what other things she has in mind other than self-defense: she wants to make sure the services are accessible and inclusive. She would like to partner with key associations
  9. Councillor of the year
     + Nominations: Jennifer Chan, Maeve Botham, Andrew Chase, Max Noiseaux, Matthew Manzoni, Josh (from RSUS), Anisa (from DESA), Cristina Venegas
  10. AUS in Review (Maria Thomas)
      + A big mistake re: Poli 339
      + Creation of IRP and VP Services
      + Highest voter turnout
      + Dealing with building closure
      + She appreciates you all
      + She feels it is an honour
  11. Unfinished Business
  12. New Business
      + Motion to Ratify Secretary General for 2019-2020:
        - Passed
      + Motion to Adopt the Amended MESS Constitution:
        - Seconded by President Maria Thomas
        - Passed
      + Motion to Reinstate LAPSA
        - Passed
      + Motion to Approve the FMC Decisions from the past 3 meetings
        - Passed
      + Motion to Grant the Fridge Door Gallery the Ability to Display Student Art in the Ferrier Computer Lab
        - Passed
      + Motion to Condemn Bill 21
        - Passed
      + Motion to Approve Updated MUGS Constitution
        - Passed
  13. Executive Officer Reports
      + President Maria Thomas: This is the last report she will ever give in this room (a happy occasion). She has been liaising with council and the new team. She is transitioning and working on the building closure. Went to ASEF meeting with Stefan and Mia.
      + VP Communications Jamal Tarrabain: francophone commissioner RIP, gonna miss them with very successful event, shoutout to them, final conversation circles, fine arts council, nuit blanche was very successful, shoutout t fine arts commissioners so very appreciated, been delegating roles to photographer, final listserv going out Monday, got a question about hiring for next year, if you applied by Monday at noon we have your applications, each role has been sent their applications
        - MESS: has AUS thought about taking out blind interviews but instead anonymous
      + VP External Rebecca Scarra: All of her time is dedicated to AUS awards. Also has been transitioning new execs.
      + VP Finance Mia Trana: FMC, transition, general office tasks. Went to cosco.
      + VP Social Kim Yang: Last BdA, Line control is better, successful year. EPIC will be having a self-care event and triple the number of events they had this year compared to previous years. Grad ball went very well.
  14. Reports of Arts Representatives and Senators
      + Arts Rep Karia: Had SSMU council and have last one tomorrow. LICM endorsement passed. Passed a motion for the bike center. SPFCCC motion passed. Statement from BSN and Indigenous Affairs Committee. Transitioning new arts reps.
      + Arts Rep Sanchez: IRP updates. Motion to support UW prof. Finishing up exit report. Held extra office hours to compensate for sick days.
  15. Reports of Departmental Associations
      + HCSSA: preparing for elections. Successful career panel last week. Wine and cheese at the end of April.
      + CLASHA: Had an international trivia night and had good turnout. Had an apartment crawl with good turnout. Journal launch tomorrow at Arepera. Elections going on. A tentative LACS minor for next year.
      + CSUS: Have received lots of nominations. Having a bigger role in the AUS next year.
      + EASSA: Supposed to have a speaker series but had to cut it due to room booking issues. Will be having a networking event this Friday. Launched a pilot project
      + ESA: Had a very successful case competition on oil. They will hold it again. Will be distributing sweaters soon. Call out for econ students to join ESA portfolios next year.
      + GSA: Having elections right now. Having the end of the year party and received money from FMC.
      + GSFSSA: Running elections. Will be doing voting next Thurs/Fri.
      + SLUM: Just finished with future week. Had a series of people who work in linguistics come speak to students. Turnout was good. Just finished elections last night. Wine and cheese tomorrow night.
      + JSSA: Successful shabat dinner with Chabad. Had lots of students utilize tutoring. Had a high-turnout election.
      + MPSA: Had a good semester. Had a mental health first aid workshop funded by AUS. Sold out in 1hr. Plan on having more next year. Journal launch was yesterday. Semi-formal is Friday.
      + PSSA: Been collecting feedback on conferences. Want standardization of conferences and want TAs trained in equity and anti-oppression. Want people to vote. Journal launching Monday at 6pm at the Faculty Club. There is an internship data base – check it out. Come to Marie’s tutoring hours.
      + RSUS: Wrote an article for the tribune and are waiting to hear back. You can still get sweaters. Had a successful wine and cheese. Still looking for a VP Finance.
      + QSSA: Had elections. Had a sugar shack event. Next semester want more people in the minor. Had 3 execs go to bishops university .
  16. Question Period
      + Departments have you thought about filling out the package the VP External will send out about contact information?
      + Have you thought about grabbing food?
      + Have you thought about keeping your placard?
  17. Next Meeting: September!
  18. Adjournment