**Motion to Amend the Religious Studies Undergraduate Society Constitution**

**Whereas,** in May of 2016, the Faculty of Religious Studies became the School of Religious Studies under the jurisdiction of the Faculty of Arts. The School of Religious Studies remained responsible for all of its teaching, degree, and research programs administered in religion and theology.

**Whereas,** when the Faculty of Religious Studies became the School of Religious Studies, this change was not reflected in the Religious Studies Undergraduate Society Constitution.

**Whereas,** the current School of Religious Studies includes Bachelors of Theology (B.Th.) students who pay the same membership fees to the Arts Undergraduate Society as Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) students in the School of Religious Studies.

**Whereas,** the following proposed amendments are already practiced but are not enshrined formally in the Constitution.

**Whereas,** formalizing these changes in the Constitution ensures that the rights of B.Th. students as Faculty of Arts students be respected by the Religious Studies Undergraduate Society in the future.

**Be it resolved,** the following changes be made to the Religious Studies Undergraduate Society’s Constitution:

2.2 RSUS is affiliated with the ~~Faculty~~**School** of Religious Studies of McGill University (~~F~~**S**RS) and includes student representatives to the department.

3.1 Membership of the RSUS includes all students enrolled in a major, minor, ~~or~~ honours, **or Bachelors of Theology (B.Th.)** program of Religious Studies in the Faculty of Arts (FA) at McGill University. Said students are encouraged to become actively involved in the RSUS.

7.3 To appoint one student representative:

7.3.1 To sit on the Religious Studies Faculty of Arts Committee (~~Faculty~~**School** of Religious Studies Council) in the event that the VP Internal is unable to fulfill that position.

7.3.2 To sit on the AUS council in the event that the VP External is unable to fulfill that position.

7.3.3 To sit on the ~~Faculty~~**School** of Religious Studies Bachelor of Arts (BA) Committee in the event that the VP Internal is unable to fulfill that position.

7.9 The VP Internal shall:

7.9.1 Ensure that the RSUS has committed to undertake Article 4.3 of the RSUS constitution.

7.9.2 Work with the other Executive members to the best of their ability in order to fulfill the RSUS mandate.

7.9.3 Act as the student representative to the ~~Faculty~~**School** of Religious Studies BA Committee or, if unable to do so, ensure that another executive fills this position.

**7.9.3.1 Representation of B.Th. students at the B.Th. Committee shall be the responsibility of the Theology Undergraduate Students Association (TUSA).**

7.9.4 Act as the student representative to the Religious Studies Faculty of Arts Committee (~~Faculty~~**School** of Religious Studies Council) or, if unable to do so, ensure that another executive fills this position.

Motion by

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Friendly AMENDMENTS:

4.1 To represent the interests of member students ~~at~~**of** the ~~F~~**S**RS and at the FA as follows:

4.1.4 Making suggestions to improve programs and to create an overall positive student experience within the **SRS**~~faculty~~.

5.1 The RSUS must adhere to the AUS financial laws and by-laws.

5.1.1 The RSUS will receive funding from the AUS based on the number of students enrolled in the ~~F~~**S**RS, according to the AUS financial by-laws.