



Concordia Student Union – Council of Representatives

CSU Council-Elect Meeting – Agenda (as amended)

Wednesday, May 21st, 2014

H-427, 18h30, S.G.W Campus

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. Approval of the Agenda

4. Consent Agenda

a) President's Report

b) Executive Reports

5. Presentations and Guest Speakers

6. Appointments

a) Council Chair

b) Council Secretary

c) Councillors to Standing Committees of Council

d) Signing Officers

7. Returning Business

a) Hive Café Solidarity Cooperative Motion

8. New Business – Substantive

a) Setting the Time of Regular Meetings

b) Council Retreat and Training

c) Executive Retreat Motion



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d) CSU Email Addresses and Council Communications

e) Indigenous

f) CJLO Motion

g) \$4 500 for Researcher

h) Work Plans

9. New Business – Informational

10. Question Period & Business Arising

11. Announcements

12. Adjournment



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1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting is called to order at 18h43.

2. ROLL CALL

Council Chairperson: *Benjamin Prunty*

Council Secretary: *Caitlin Robinson*

Executives present for the duration of the meeting consisted of *Kate Bellini* (VP Clubs & Internal Affairs), *Charles Bourassa* (VP Student Life), *Jessica Cabana* (VP Sustainability), *Anthony Garoufalis-Auger* (VP External Affairs & Mobilization), *Heather Nagy* (VP Finance), *Benjamin Prunty* (President), *Gabriel Velasco* (VP Loyola), and *Terry Wilkings* (VP Academic & Advocacy).

Councillors present for the duration of the meeting consisted of *Gemma Acco* (Arts & Science), *Kabir Bindra* (JMSB), *Jeremy Blinkhorn* (Fine Arts), *Jenna Cocullo* (Arts & Science), *Emily Fisher* (Arts & Science), *Paul Jerajian* (Arts & Science), *Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis* (Arts & Science), *Caroline Messier-Gemes* (JMSB), *Marion Miller* (Fine Arts), *Nicholaos Mouzourakis* (ENCS), *Angelica Novielli* (Arts & Science), *Virginia Law* (JMSB), *Matthew Palynchuk* (Arts & Science), *Thomas Radcliffe* (Arts & Science), *Michael Richardson* (JMSB), *Vicky Rodgers* (JMSB), *Anita Sarkissian* (ENCS), *Alanna Stacey* (Arts & Science), *Jeremy Tessier* (Arts & Science), *James Tyler Vaccaro* (Arts & Science), *Chloe Williams* (Arts & Science), *Emma Wilson* (Fine Arts) and *Rami Yahia* (ENCS).

Councillors absent for the duration of the meeting not granted reprieve consisted of *Terry Ngala* (Independent), *Marcus Peters* (Arts & Science) and *John Talbot* (Arts & Science).

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis adds three (3) points under 8. *New Business – Substantial* called 8. e) *Indigenous*, 8. f) *CJLO Motion* and 8. g) *\$4 500 for Researcher*.

Seconded by **Michael Richardson**.

VOTE

In favour: 17

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 4

Motion carries.



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Michael Richardson moves to table 6. d) *Councillors to University Senate*, 6. f) *Concordia Council on Student Life (CCSL)* and 6. g) *Library Services Fund Committee*.

Seconded by **Vicky Rodgers**.

VOTE

In favour: 19

Opposed: 2

Abstentions: 0

Motion carries.

Vicky Rodgers moves to approve the agenda as amended and all points under 4. *Consent Agenda*.

Seconded by **James Tyler Vaccaro**.

VOTE

In favour: 21

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carries.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

a) President's Report

Ratified by consent.

b) Executive Reports

5. PRESENTATIONS & GUEST SPEAKERS

Benjamin Prunty: First of all, happy birthday **Vicky**. There were a few complications with the documents for this council – the agenda and documents were sent to the student media, council-elect and no one else. There was a bit of a complication when we were switching from Zimbra to Outlook at that time and they did not go out to the staff of the CSU. Also, **Terry Ngala** the independent councillor is in a class right now so perhaps someone could move to excuse him. I would also like to thank those who did for meeting with me and I am looking forward to meeting with the others and to continue having these meetings throughout the year. Without the intention of lessening the accomplishments of last year, this is a new beginning this year. After many long deliberations, the CSU's membership voted on major issues and are seeking a fee levy reform. We represent the student body and the CSU makes up the collective will of the membership so we need to pay consideration to all parts. There exists the complex issue of a not-for-profit democratically run food system on campus. The students voted directly first in mandating the CSU to support it, second in mandating the CSU to run something in Java U space and to create new fee levy organizations, and third to approve the use of the funds in the Student Space,



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Accessible Education and Legal Contingency (SSAELC) Fund. Each of these referendum questions garnered more than 80% support with most close to 90%. Four (4) consecutive votes represent a clear mandate to reform the way students interact with food. The Executive team took a firm stance in the fee levy structure and is involved in five (5) fee levies. We ran on the mandate to build a community and community means listening to each other, working together and building from what we hear both in terms of the louder messages and quieter messages as both need to be heard. The loudest I have heard since the strike is community building, and food can build a community. A food system reform can build a community at Concordia much like the Peoples' Potato and our team has a plan to build on these things. We cannot allow ourselves to be bogged down by debates at the core as these narrowed our focus, and if we want to be effective we must work together. We cannot let disagreements stop our progress. Students made these decisions for us and my request as Present for the 2014-2015 academic year is to take action on these messages to move forward. We would like to continue the Concordia Student Congress and expand the clubs portfolio, strengthening involvement and democracy through a proactive approach and socially active campaigns. We would like to increase parties and student events like Orientation and a World Cup event and collaborate with other campus organizations including fraternities and sororities to build a stronger community at Concordia. Let's work together to make the most of our time and bring these projects forward.

6. APPOINTMENTS

a) Council Chair

Nicholas Pidiktakis: I am the outgoing chair of the Appointments Committee. I am here at the invitation of **Ben** to guide the process of appointing the Council Chair and Secretary. These two are the most important appointments you will make in your mandate. In terms of number of candidates, we have a total of fourteen (14) appointments for Council Secretary and five (5) for Council Chairperson. Before we do that, I would like to bring you up to speed on the nature of appointments at the CSU. The appointments process is just about paperless in terms of not being in the business of printing out CVs and cover letters. Nicholas Cuillerier, the outgoing Council Chair co-created a Dropbox for the appointments process where all CVs and cover letters were put into folders for each and every candidate. It is meticulously organized according to appointments and there are folders for Board of Governors, CCSL, SAF, LSFS, students-at-large on standing committees, etc. We went about making the process paperless because we were trying to be as environmentally sustainable as possible and this saves us a lot of time in terms of going forward. The Appointments Committee use the Appointments Committee email and a username and password will be forwarded by **Charles Bourassa**. Concerning interviews, for any candidate for Council Secretary, Council Chair and Judicial Board are done at Council. All other interviews for committees and Senators are done at the Appointments Committee itself. This year the Appointments Committee made that so because last year and years before, the process was so inefficient and ineffective that it took hours on-end to interview so many candidates. We did that with the stipulation of making the process more efficient and more effective. In terms of the questions asked to candidates interviews at the Appointments Committee, there will be a detailed transcript of all questions asked. The transcript will be placed in the Dropbox and emailed 48 hours prior to the appointments being made so that councillors and executives can make that decision. In order to assure the continued quality of work being done, I will not get into motivations but I suggest that Council



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appoint **Gemma, Virginia** and **John** to the Appointments Committee. On the issue of appointments, the next greatest priority which must take precedence is that the Judicial Board be up and running during the summer and October as currently they are operating with three (3) members.

Vicky Rodgers moves to enter closed session.
Seconded by **Nicholaos Mouzourakis**.

VOTE

In favour: 18

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 3 (**Michael, Paul, Rami**)

Motion carries.

Meeting enters closed session at 19h05.

Vicky Rodgers moves to have Nicholas Pidiktakis included in closed session.
Seconded by **Nicholaos Mouzourakis**.

Michael Richardson calls the question.
Seconded by **Anita Sarkissian**.

Question is called.

Motion is rejected.

Vicky Rodgers moves to enter a twenty (20)-minute recess to review resumes.
Seconded by **Jeremy Blinkhorn**.

Motion carries.

Meeting enters recess at 19h15.

Gemma Acco moves to extend the recess by ten (10) minutes.
Seconded by **Nicholaos Mouzourakis**.

Motion carries.

Meeting reconvenes at 19h49.

James Tyler Vaccaro moves to adopt the following procedure – ask pre-determined questions to the candidates, ask additional questions from Council, ask the candidates to leave, discuss the prior interviews and then and make a decision.



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Seconded by **Alanna Stacey**.

Anita Sarkissian amends the motion to limit candidates' answers to one (1) minute.

Seconded by **James Tyler Vaccaro**.

Jeremy Blinkhorn moves to amend that answers be allowed to reach two (2) minutes.

Seconded by **Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis**.

Amended amendment is adopted by unanimous consent.

Motion carries.

James Tyler Vaccaro moves to add an eighth question which reads as follows: *Do you know what the CFS is? If so, what is your relationship with the CFS?*

Seconded by **Alanna Stacey**.

Motion carries.

James Tyler Vaccaro moves to limit the additional question period to seven (7) minutes.

Seconded by **Charles Bourassa**.

Matthew Palynchuk moves to amend the question period to reach eight (8) minutes.

Seconded by **Vicky Rodgers**.

Amended motion carries.

James Tyler Vaccaro moves to interview the next candidate and, following the last interview, decide when to contact them.

Seconded **Vicky Rodgers**.

Motion carries.

James Tyler Vaccaro moves to vote by secret ballot.

Seconded by **Vicky Rodgers**.

Motion carries.

Chloe Williams moves to allow the candidates to leave.

Seconded by **Vicky Rodgers**.

Motion carries.



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Charles Bourassa moves to extend the Council Chair job posting to June 6th, 2014.

Seconded by **Alanna Stacey**.

James Tyler Vaccaro calls the question.

Seconded by **Thomas Radcliffe**.

Question is called.

Motion carries.

Charles Bourassa moves to re-invite both candidates back for a second interview with a new round of questions.

Seconded by **Alanna Stacey**.

Alanna Stacey moves to amend the motion to have the Appointments Committee draft the questions.

Seconded by **Virginia Law**.

Amendment adopted by unanimous consent.

Vicky Rodgers calls the question.

Seconded by **Alanna Stacey**.

Question is called.

Motion carries.

James Tyler Vaccaro moves to take minutes in closed session and have the closed session minutes distributed in a separate document.

Seconded by **Michael Richardson**.

VOTE

In favour: 15

Opposed: 4

Abstentions: 2

Motion carries.

b) Council Secretary

James Tyler Vaccaro nominates **Heather Nagy** act as interim secretary for the duration of this agenda point.

Seconded by **Alanna Stacey**.



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VOTE

In favour: 21
Opposed: 0
Abstentions: 1

Motion carries.

James Tyler Vaccaro moves to enter open session.
Seconded by **Thomas Radcliffe**.

Motion carries.

Meeting enters open session at 22h22.

Jeremy Blinkhorn moves to ratify the following decisions made in closed session – to extend the job posting for Council Chairperson to June 6th and have the Appointments Committee draft a second set of questions to re-interview the candidates, to appoint Caitlin Robinson as the CSU secretary, and to keep track of all minutes taken in closed session and have them distributed in a separate document.
Seconded by **Michael Richardson**.

VOTE

In favour: 21
Opposed: 0
Abstentions: 1

Motion carries.

James Tyler Vaccaro moves to enter recess.
Seconded by **Alanna Stacey**.

VOTE

In favour: 18
Opposed: 4
Abstentions: 2

Motion carries.

Meeting enters recess at 22h26.

Meeting reconvenes at 22h40.

c) Councillors to Standing Committees of Council



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Clubs & Space Committee

Benjamin Prunty: The composition of Standing Committees is a maximum of four (4) councillors, one (1) executive and two (2) student-at-large committee members. This is a total of six (6) voting members and the President who sits *ex officio*. The procedure I recommend is going by committee in the order of the Bylaws moving downward.

Chuck Wilson: The Clubs & Space Committee is most likely going to become the Clubs Committee and the Space part is going to be moved to a different committee. The other change happening is that the committee will meet every two (2) weeks in the summer and once a month in the fall. A bunch of changes are coming to the current CSU Council next meeting.

Alanna Stacey nominates herself.

Charles Bourassa nominates **John Talbot** *in absentia*.

James Tyler Vaccaro: The Clubs & Space Committee is currently working on both clubs and space. If you have interest in one, you will do both until the committees split.

Rami Yahia nominates himself.

Anita Sarkissian nominates **James Tyler Vaccaro**.

James accepts.

Angelica Novielli nominates herself.

Chuck Wilson: Considering that all decisions by this Council have to be ratified in June, decide what you want to do and then at that point the new committee will be in place and you can do it at that point.

Terry Wilkings: In terms of restructuring, the current Policy Committee has not met to review the changes and I am not sure they will be able to. It is not a guarantee that these changes will be implemented, so just for the sake of conversation assume that this is the Clubs & Space Committee.

James Tyler Vaccaro: There is a Standing Regulation which stipulates that members of the Clubs & Space Committee cannot be clubs executives. This is deemed an automatic resignation.

Jeremy Blinkhorn moves to limit speaking time for motivations to one (1) minute.
Seconded by **Anita Sarkissian**.

VOTE

In favour: 20

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 2 (**Nicholaos**)



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Motion carries.

Alanna Stacey: I sat on the Clubs & Space Committee last year with **James** as the VP Clubs & Internal Affairs and it was a great time. I got to know about clubs and the different opportunities at Concordia. I have been able to familiarize myself with the clubs, the committee's mandates and what is required in their constitutions, and have been responsible for Special Clubs Funding and the criteria we followed in allocating money and the best things to support in initiatives. I learned about space and my interest in sitting on this committee is to continue and provide institutional memory.

Gemma Acco (for John Talbot): Not only did this committee seem super awesome last year and **Kate** seems like a wicked executive, the C Clubs & Space Committee is a solid fit for my ethic and attitude.

Rami Yahia: I have been involved as an observer in many clubs like the Muslim Students Association, the Syrian Students Association and the Lebanese Students Association and have noticed budget cuts on major clubs that limited their incentives to perform and do activities, and that is something I look forward to solving.

Angelica Novielli: When I read out the descriptions of each committee, this one stood out – my motivation for being on Council is to become more involved and this committee improves the lives of people who want to be more involved. I would like to gain more knowledge and get a pretty good understanding of clubs that exist and I would like to become more knowledgeable.

James Tyler Vaccaro: I am the current chair of this committee and the VP Clubs & Internal Affairs for another ten (10) days. During the last year with this committee I began the process of six (6) student space initiatives. We allocated funds to over 200 projects totalling over \$150 000. We reset the budget allocation process and implemented policies and procedures for clubs spending, SPFs, budget allocations, requisitions, office space management and shared office space projects. I have a lot of experience and I do not think anyone in the university knows CSU clubs better than I do.

Nicholas Pidiktakis motivates for **James** and **Alanna** – it is self-evident.

Charles Bourassa motivates for **John** – I work with him on the External & Campaigns Committee and he was helpful with the speakers series. His motivation and the way **Gemma** read it does a good job of catching his enthusiasm. Consider him.

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis motivates for **John**. I worked with him doing Member Association stuff and he has really good knowledge of the university and more enthusiasm than anyone I know.

Matthew Palynchuk motivates for **Rami** – as a president of a club for the last two (2) years you learn quite a bit about how to interact with the community and he knows the demands and he seems to know what the problems are from a clubs perspective.



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Michael Richardson motivate for **Alanna** and **James – James** because he is the current committee chair and knows it best, and **Alanna** because she has worked with **James** and she is one of the very few people I know who enjoys doing this stuff and is very good at it.

James Tyler Vaccaro motivates for **Alanna** and **Rami** – **Alanna** has been on the committee all year with only two (2) councillors and a lot of work to be done. She is very diligent and fair and I agree with **Matthew** that having a clubs perspective is beneficial. Finally, I do believe that with **Alanna's** institutional memory this committee will be really well-equipped. I rescind my own nomination but will still be there to help out the committee.

Nicholas Pidiktakis: I understand how some people want to motivate for **John** but I motivate against him because he was less than forthcoming in terms of answering emails and has a less than perfect attendance record.

Paul Jerajian moves to vote omnibus.
Seconded by **Michael Richardson**.

VOTE

In favour: 21

Opposed: 1

Abstentions: 1 (**Alanna, Nicholaos**)

Motion carries.

Angelica Novielli, Alanna Stacey, John Talbot and Rami Yahia are appointed to the Clubs & Space Committee.

Appointments Committee

Gabriel Velasco: People need to attend meetings and be organized, and some positions are essentially all student-at-large positions and bodies such as the Sustainable Action Fund (SAF), the Concordia Council on Student Life (CCSL), the Library Services Fund Committee (LSFC) and the Socially Responsible Investment (SRI) working group.

Nicholas Pidiktakis nominates **Virginia Law** and **Gemma Acco**.

Virginia accepts.

Gemma accepts.

Marion Miller nominates **Jeremy Blinkhorn**.

Jeremy accepts.

Jeremy Tessier nominates himself.



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Alanna Stacey motivates for **Gemma** – she came in for Judicial Board in July with nothing but excitement and interest in getting involved and she is nothing but competent and diligent in her job and she has done an incredible job. I work with her in the Political Science Student Association (PSSA) and she always gets the job done.

Nicholas Pidiktakis motivates for **Gemma** and **Virginia** – both were prompt when I sent out emails calling for an initial session of the committee, both contributed to deliberations and both played a fundamental role in the reform process. The prior one was inefficient and ineffective, and their contributions, intellectual and otherwise, led to the reforms in place right now.

James Tyler Vaccaro moves to appoint Gemma Acco, Jeremy Blinkhorn, Virginia Law and Jeremy Tessier to the Appointments Committee omnibus.

Seconded by **Michael Richardson**.

VOTE

In favour: 18

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 5 (**Nicholaos, Virginia, Jeremy B., Gemma, Jeremy T.**)

Motion carries.

Gemma Acco, Jeremy Blinkhorn, Virginia Law and Jeremy Tessier are appointed to the Appointments Committee.

Policy Committee

Terry Wilkings: I am the executive member designated to sit on this committee. The Policy Committee maintains the Standing Regulations and Bylaws. This year there were substantial revisions made which in my view were quite robust and the committee did a lot of good work, but a few books are left to be revised. The implementation of the Newtown recommendations was left undone as well. Throughout the year, Council may recommend that Policy Committee review these recommendations as well for feasibility. It is important for the Policy Committee to meet weekly as a time commitment and there is a lot of dry work and having some policies allows for the smooth functioning of the Union. This committee affects the longterm direction in which the Union goes.

Jeremy Blinkhorn nominates **Marion Miller**.

Marion accepts.

Vicky Rodgers nominates herself.

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis nominates herself.

Alanna Stacey nominates **Jenna Cocullo**.



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Jenna accepts.

Matthew Palynchuk nominates himself.

Paul Jerajian nominates himself.

Marion Miller: This year at FASA I helped to revise and change bylaws but my greatest experience was the previous school year where I helped to found the first student association using direct democracy which was a lot of bylaw writing and constitutions writing so I have experience doing this for student associations.

Vicky Rodgers: I am a JMSB councillor and I would love to be on the Policy Committee for the following reason: I have somewhat of an Aspergers profile which means I am extremely detail-focused which means I take everything to the letter. I have met with Martine Desjardins while she was the FEUQ president and I pointed out to her the fact that the FEUQ bylaws refer to certain laws that do not exist anymore such as the law on chartered accountants given the fact that the three accounting orders merged which means that I am someone who is perfect for the position.

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis: My program is honours in political science and I am finishing up a major in SCPA. Writing policy is my academic bread and butter, and I have the skills and would like to apply them in the CSU context. I am the outgoing secretary of the SCPASA and we have worked on this there and I have a good knowledge of the CSU Standing Regulations and Bylaws. It is a pretty big year ahead in terms of interpreting documents and I am really excited if I am appointed to put in the time to get into the meat of it.

Paul Jerajian: Two year ago I was a CSU councillor and I joined every committee except the Policy Committee and Appointments Committee. At the time I was the President of MASSA and redid their bylaws and saw the CSU regulations and saw that they were also crap and gave recommendations to Melanie Hotchkiss. I have experience in terms of what was missing at the time. This year as ASFA president I wrote 100 pages of policy and I have experience there to. I have experience with policies coming from the Quebec Companies Act and the CSU letters of patent to make sure that things match up. There is an order to those documents and I know where to look, to start and to finish. Experience speaks for itself.

Matthew Palynchuk: I have been on SoPhia for the past two (2) years and as a part of SoPhia we had to rewrite bylaws as a part of that and that is where I came into policy. In particular in philosophy I am interested in public policy and the way philosophy shapes it in terms of the precision policy needs to have like its logical consistency, potential effects, justifications and academic background. I think I could bring a different perspective to the whole thing and I am used to a lot of reading. I am fine for weekly meetings. Policy is dry but philosophy is dryer.

Jenna Cocullo: I have experience in CEGEP where I used to manage a lot of the clubs and the radio station and I had to re-write laws and regulations and I just recently did a research project on broadcast



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media where I had to read a lot of material. I am versed in this and do not have a time commitment issue so I am available to meet.

Nicholas Pidiktakis motivates for **Paul** – it is self-evident.

Charles Bourassa motivates for **Matthew** – having taken philosophy classes and knowing some of the members on the executive and seeing the work they did on the bylaws like the non-discrimination clause they worked on, this is the only non-discrimination clause present in MA bylaws. I think that is something which should be worked on here at the CSU and implemented.

Jeremy Blinkhorn motivates for **Marion** – she was instrumental in the FASA bylaw drafting and she had no reason to help out, she was doing it just because she liked to do it. They had weekly meetings and she was very detail-oriented.

Rami Yahia motivates for **Marion** and **Matthew** – at Council training they showed great reasoning and were very detail-oriented.

Chloe Williams motivates for **Lucinda** and **Jenna** – having worked with **Lucinda**, she has attention to detail and I do not know anyone who loves policy more. This is the same with **Jenna**.

Jeremy Tessier motivates for **Lucinda**, **Marion** and **Matt** – **Lucinda** is self-evident and she chaired our General Assembly in the Geography Department. As for **Marion** and **Matt** I would like to echo what **Jeremy** said. They seem like interesting people.

Alanna Stacey motivates for **Paul**, **Marion** and **Jenna** – I sat on **Paul's** ASFA Policy Committee over the summer and got the emails at 4 am. He is meticulous and has the biggest wealth of knowledge. I am motivating for **Marion** because her background is very impressive not only in drafting but creating policies, and **Jenna** because she will be able to bring fresh and new ideas to what is happening.

Benjamin Prunty motivates for **Jenna** – she was helpful, dependable and I was extremely impressed with her beyond what I hoped for because when volunteers are as helpful as she is that is awesome. I am motivating for **Matthew** because he has a well-developed critical approach and is extremely intelligent and **Lucinda** has a detail-oriented approach that we need. As for **Marion**, I have heard only good things.

Kyle Arseneau motivates for **Paul** – he is someone who has sat through the engineering bylaws and seen the horrors of the ECA bylaws and some other councils. An important thing is knowing what you are doing and the only way is having done this before.

A vote by roll call takes place.

Paul Jerajian, Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis and Marion Miller are appointed to the Policy Committee.



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Paul Jerajian moves to appoint both **Jenna** and **Matthew** to the Policy Committee, additionally to the three members with the highest votes notwithstanding Standing Regulation 17a.

Seconded by **Rami Yahia**.

Benjamin Prunty: Just a quick caution, as much as I motivated for both of them, I guess we could break from the norm. I am fine with it and it is alright, but just a move away from the norm.

Nicholas Pidiktakis: I just wanted to say that there is some precedence for this in terms of appointing more than one student-at-large in terms of the changing of the committee composition for the Sustainability Committee.

Charles Bourassa: I just want to gage how **Terry** feels about this.

Terry Wilkings: I have no problem with this.

Chuck Wilson: I just wanted to point out if you do not, but any number of people can be voted on a committee as non-voting members.

Michael Richardson: Having sat on Policy Committee it is difficult to get quorum so I echo what **Terry** said. When it comes to Bylaws and Standing Regulations, the more the merrier and it helps a lot. In terms of voting and non-voting members, this is ratified by Council so even if there is a disagreement, Council can overturn it.

VOTE

In favour: 14

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 10 (**Jenna, Lucinda, Vicky, Alanna, Nicholaos, James, Matthew**)

Motion carries.

Jenna Cocullo and Matthew Palynchuk are appointed to the Policy Committee.

Finance Committee

Heather Nagy: I would like to meet once every week or two. This committee is a lot of work and it would be great if people would consider the overlap between being a signing officer and sitting on the Finance Committee. I am not sure if the Newtown regulations might change the committee's composition, however.

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis nominates **Marcus Peters** *in absentia*.

Michael Richardson nominates **Paul Jerajian**.

Paul accepts.



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Kyle Arseneau nominates **Michael Richardson** and **Anita Sarkissian**.

Michael accepts.

Anita accepts.

Nicholas Pidiktakis nominates **James Tyler Vaccaro** and **Kabir Bindra**.

James accepts.

Kabir accepts.

Chuck Wilson: Currently the Finance Committee deals with SPFs but the changes coming forward next week at our Council is that SPFs will be moved to the Student Life Committee and the other thing is that the Finance Committee will be required to meet every week as part of the changes from the Newtown report.

Chloe Williams: **Marcus** apologizes for not being here and his interest in the Finance Committee stems from working with the No Campaign and he hopes to reach an intimate understanding of the way finance matters are handled in the CSU. He hopes to promote efficiency and transparency and has a good working relationship with the committee chair through the Peoples Potato.

Paul Jerajian: If I have two strengths they are policy and finances. I specialize in finance, I am good with numbers and math and I revamped ASFA's entire financial policy. I was on the Finance Committee for the CSU not this year but last year as a councillor, I was a signing officer and I witnessed the Newtown party. I have a lot of experience and passion for finance.

Michael Richardson: I am on the Finance Committee currently. I am good with numbers and I major in accounting and minor in finance. I work in corporate finance through a non-profit organization. I know and am familiar with how finances for NPOs work and have seen a lot of issues we have seen on the Finance Committee. Financial policy at the CSU is lacking and I would like to work with **Heather** on that to make sure that the money goes to the right places.

Anita Sarkissian: I was last fiscal year's VP Finance for the Engineering and Computer Science Association (ECA) and successfully budgeted and managed \$500 000. I was in charge of thirteen (13) associations bank accounts along with my own, and worked with **Chuck** on the financial overhaul which was huge. In all, I have a lot of experience in finance and with NPOs.

James Tyler Vaccaro: I have a close experience with the CSU's finances having worked through the Clubs portfolio managing \$250 000 and overseeing every financial transactions. I have worked with the current VP Finance and **Chuck** on different financial policies which pertain to clubs and I have a lot of time to spend on finance things.

Terry Wilkings nominates **Rami Yahia**.

Rami accepts.



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Rami Yahia: I managed a small family business with my parents, we own an import-export company and I did a few trade shows such as the Montreal Gift Show and I started my own small business. I know how to do finance work on a smaller scale.

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis motivates **Marcus** – he is an intense person and whatever he puts his mind to he will do meticulously and passionately. I would trust him wholeheartedly in bringing in a fresh perspective to the Finance Committee. A lot of candidates come from backgrounds which do finance and math but he brings a good attitude to the kind of order the committee deserves.

Nicholas Pidiktakis motivates for **Michael, Paul** and **James** – **Michael** for the sake of institutional memory as he sat on it since last November and is very professional. For **Paul**, he has brought structure and restraint to ASFA and has massively overhauled its entire financial structure. For **James** I worked with him on the PSSA and he had an excellent handle on financial structure and was instrumental in making sure the clubs got necessary funding.

Chloe Williams motivates for **Marcus** – I have worked with him on the Vote No campaign and I agree with **Lucinda**.

Kabir Bindra: I care a lot about finance and it is something that is great to have people passionate or who want to put in the time and effort to learn but experience in numbers beats all passion and motivation You need that experience in order to progress in a Finance Committee – **James, Michael, Anita** and **Paul** have this. I have spoken and worked with them and they all have vast experience in finance and I highly urge Council to appoint these four (4).

Kyle Arseneau: As a director of finance for the ECA, whatever you are going to do for your committee, **Anita** did by herself at the ECA. For **Michael** that is his Bachelors degree and **Paul** is the same thing, it is in his degree. **James** I worked with on the Clubs & Space Committee and we did more work financially than the Finance Committee.

Alanna Stacey motivates for **Anita, James** and **Michael** – **Michael** provided a wealth of information in applied finances. **Anita** is one of the most hard-working people I have ever met and what she did with the ECA was incredible. For **James**, echoing what Kyle said, for CUSACorp and Clubs & Space Committee, **James** did an incredible job for a Political Science major.

Terry Wilkings motivates for **Marcus, Rami, Michael** and **James** – for these people this is because it is important for institutional memory and I think **Michael** would do a good job, but it is dangerous if it becomes technocratic in the Finance Committee. It is nice to have people trained in finances but having people like **Rami** on the committee is good because **James** is not a JMSB student but through his involvement at the CSU he gained competencies in finance and this propelled him to be involved. This is a great opportunity for those who might not have the opportunity to do so usually. It is important for people like **Rami** and **Marcus** to bring a layman's perspective to the committee. What the Finance Committee does will come to Council but we need it to be digestible.



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Anthony Garoufalis-Auger motivates for **Marcus** – he is very meticulous, hard-working and would bring great ideas to the Finance Committee. He is good with computers as well and interested in these innovations and can bring a fresh perspective.

Matthew Palynchuk: I like some of **Terry's** points about having this mixed group insofar as it is not super numbers-oriented but has people on other committees and those involved in the CSU.

Chuck Wilson: From my experience with the CSU and finances, a good Finance Committee would have knowledge of finances, knowledge of the CSU as an institution and its history and practices, and good knowledge of policy. Only with all of those things would you have a good Finance Committee.

Benjamin Prunty: The choice that we have is very difficult and I do not want to motivate for anyone in particular, but both the financial expertise and diversity in the sense of perspective in terms of gender and in other senses is important as well. I am always hesitant to have a Finance Committee exclusively focused on financial experience.

A vote by roll call takes place.

Marcus Peters, Michael Richardson, Anita Sarkissian and James Tyler Vaccaro are appointed to the Finance Committee.

Student Life Committee

Charles Bourassa: Primary goal of this committee is to organize social and academic events for students, but in terms of summer projects the committee will be working on Orientation. Anyone interested can volunteer. In terms of longterm projects, the committee will be working with the External & Campaigns Committee for speakers series to ensure their success. The committee will look at SPFs and you need to be available to meet twice a month on a two-week rotation.

Chuck Wilson: It is not currently held that the Student Life Committee deals with Special Project Funding (SPF) but they will be soon. There will likely be a recommendation that the Student Life Committee's four (4) councillor spots will be from each of the four (4) different faculties for the purpose of SPF evaluation.

Charles Bourassa: This is potential representation from each faculty but does not have to be this way.

Gemma Acco nominates **Alanna Stacey** and **John Talbot** *in absentia*.

Alanna accepts.

Paul Jerajian nominates **Emma Wilson**.

Emma accepts.

Benjamin Prunty nominates **Nicholaos Mouzourakis**.



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Nicholaos accepts.

Vicky Rodgers nominates herself.

Charles Bourassa nominates **Emily Fisher**.

Emily accepts.

Alanna Stacey: I sat on this committee last year and I have had a great time helping the current VP Student Life Katrina Caruso organize, plan and execute events. I am a big event attender in the Concordia community and I like to get to know a lot of people, link them together and grow ideas. I have dealt with the SPFs which have come in to the Student Life Committee and am used to allocating money and I also sit on the Clubs & Space Committee. I have experience in getting to know the faculties and I also sat on the ASFA Social Committee. I have had a hand in planning events in relation to the CSU, the faculties and planning events for my association as I was an executive of the PSSA.

Emma Wilson: In terms of diverse representation, this is the first time Fine Arts will be represented so just to be able to get that complete diverse representation is important. The Fine Arts kids have a terrible reputation in terms of the CSU and with the help of FASA, us and CSU could be come close.

Nicholaos Mouzourakis: The majority of my events experience comes from being president of TKE. We organize a lot of charity events like the TKE Bachelor-Bachelorette and an angry panda party. Being part of the Student Life Comm I would be able to invite and bring the CSU together with a lot of the Greek community here at Concordia.

Vicky Rodgers: The reason I want to be on this committee is the fact that my frosh ended up at the Jewish General Hospital which means that I drank too much beer. When I read the end of year report written by the current VP Student Life she basically mentioned that she wanted to move away from alcohol-focused events towards having something else, and I would have to agree with that. During high school I was on the prom committee and my kind of personality was to ask if things were on budget. I am rigorous and count down all of the party people to stay focused so that all of the events work and we stay on budget.

Emily Fisher: I have organized events in the past such as my high school prom and its after-party. I have been a camp counsellor and the head of a new program being outdoor survival. I organized new camping trips with children and used to work for a promotional company advertising events. I can organize and mobilize.

Michael Richardson motivates for four (4) people – **Emma** because, as she pointed out, Fine Arts was not represented on Council last year and it would be pretty cool to have someone from Fine Arts as the only faculty association to have a dry frosh. This could implement good standards. **Nicholaos** is also from different faculty so this is diverse representation in terms of things like Orientation. Third, **Alanna** because she is awesome and she knows these things inside and out. Finally, **Vicky** because she will offer a different perspective in terms of JMSB and a dryer frosh as well.



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Jeremy Blinkhorn motivates for **Emma** – having a Fine Arts representative on the Student Life Committee would be great. **Katrina** brought it back last year and this should continue.

Nicholas Pidiktakis motivates for **Vicky** and **Emma** – one of the main concerns with many events is that there is so much alcohol and I think that as someone who tends to abstain a lot, there should be a lot of events where less alcohol is served. We should keep these events cordial and dry. I motivate for **Alanna** because of institutional memory and many of the PSSA events were awesome. I motivate for **Nicholaos** because I sit with him on the TKE executive and he shows exemplary leadership as president. We could use an ENCS representative and doubly so a rep from the Greek community.

Marion Miller motivates for **Emma** and **Vicky** – I have seen her enormous enthusiasm to represent JMSB students.

Charles Bourassa motivates for **Emma** – she reached out to me in a frantic way in terms of questions about this committee and she has shown that she is down with the committee.

Jenna Cocullo motivates for **John** and **Alanna** – **John** because ever since his team took over SASU there has been a lot more awesome events going on and everyone in the program has gotten involved. **Alanna** because she is a super awesome person and for the Council training she had a lot of ideas. I also motivate for committee representation from JMSB because it is the Student Life Committee and we should have representation from all faculties.

Paul Jerajian: In the CSU there is so much participation in committees and I will motivate for four (4) people by accident – those not on committees yet because I think everyone should be on a committee. I do not think that the Student Life Committee has a steep learning curve and it is something you can get involved in. I am motivating for **Emma**, **Nicholaos**, **Vicky** and **Emily** – they are not on a committee yet and are from four (4) different faculties so this works out.

Benjamin Prunty: I second Marion's motivation for **Vicky**, however I think that everyone on the committee together would make an awesome Student Life Committee and mobilizing for events would be good.

Jeremy Tessier motivates for **Emily**, **John** and **Alanna** – **Emily** ran a great campaign and clearly she can mobilize. She is successful, professional and is managing a cafe. She is very fun, inclusive and easy to talk to. **John** is really outgoing and I have been to some of his events. I am motivating for **Alanna** for institutional memory and I was a councillor with her at ASFA.

Matthew Palynchuk: I will make a general motivation – there are two candidates who are encouraging dry events and there are a number of women on this committee who happen to be running on dry Orientation mandates and alcohol and gender issues. I just want to motivate for the women on Council advocating for dry events. ASFA is currently working on a sexual assault workshop and this is very important.



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Rami Yahia motivates for **Emma** and **Emily** – I had a short discussion with them at Council training and they were they were really outgoing and what the Student Life Committee should be all about.

A vote by roll call takes place.

Emily Fisher, Nicholas Mouzourakis, Vicky Rodgers and Emma Wilson are appointed to the Student Life Committee.

External & Campaigns Committee

Anthony Garoufalis-Auger: We will be present at FEUQ conferences, outreach to potential allies at McGill and Dawson. Members of the comm will be expected to attend one meeting per month though I plan on meeting once a week, to help participate in initiatives which might come out of it – events, discussions, actions organized by the CSU and which will be planned throughout the summertime.

Michael Richardson nominates **Vicky Rodgers**.

Vicky accepts.

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis nominates **Chloe Williams**.

Chloe accepts.

Terry Wilkings nominates **Thomas Radcliffe**.

Thomas accepts.

Chloe Williams nominates **Marcus Peters** and **Jenna Cocullo**.

Vicky Rodgers: I would love to be on the External & Campaigns Committee. First of all, I am a Code Morin nerd and I lived under the Code Morin for about two years. I know its ins and outs and I would be like a fish in water. Two years ago I asked the FEUQ to show me their financial statements and it took me one month to be able to see them myself which was really long and ridiculous to wait such a long time to see them. Third, I am someone who wants to bring diversity of opinions when it comes to CSU speakers series.

Chloe Williams: I have been involved in many campaigns with the Concordia Food Coalition as well as the Vote No campaign and would love to become more involved with other student organizations such as McGill and Dawson.

Jenna Cocullo: I have a lot of experience not so much with campaigns but organizing events from CEGEP and university. I had to get in touch with external bodies and clubs and raise funds and not be shy to talk to those outside of the university. I attended the McGill, University of Laval and Université de Montréal film festival and I work a lot in the media and with the media, and have no problem keeping up with current events. I would be a good fit for the position.



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Marcus Peters: I am deeply involved in Divest Concordia and its former and current heads. I have distributed posters and flyers for this and other causes. I have a deep interest in the potential for campaign speakers and motivating student body.

Nicholas Pidiktakis motivates for **Chloe** and **Vicky** I have just met **Chloe** but I can tell how passionate she is for a multitude of campaigns, specifically for the CFC. I am motivating for Vicky because having a diverse opinion is of paramount importance and we need a diversity of speakers from all walks of life and wings of the political spectrum. She personifies a wing which is incredibly underrepresented at Concordia.

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis motivates for **Chloe** – in terms of someone with a good grasp of macro stuff, she is the go-to. I have seen her work with the CFC and the No Committee. She has a healthy sense of perspective where Concordia fits in with all of these structures. As for **Marcus**, he is dedicated and intense.

Terry Wilkings motivates for **Chloe, Thomas, Marcus** and **Jenna** – I am not motivating for **Vicky** because she is on Student Life Committee and I understand there will already be collaboration between the two so this allows for other councillors to be involved. I feel that it would be most effective if your participation in this committee would be through the Student Life Committee and there exists a lot of exciting opportunities for cross-pollination.

Jenna Cocullo motivates for **Chloe** because she is super passionate about what she believes in, and even her professors wonder why she is always making class announcements. She would be a perfect fit for this and I have worked with her for the Transitions Conference.

Vicky Rodgers: If I can add something to motivate my candidacy for the External & Campaigns Committee, I basically understand that **Chloe, Thomas, Marcus** and **Jenna** have experience towards the campaigns part of the committee which is great, however there is the external side which means FEUQ representation. I would love to be there because I know the Code Morin inside and out and I am familiar with the FEUQ bylaws and Standing Regulations which means that I would absolutely adore being on the CSU delegation for any FEUQ meeting.

Chloe Williams motivates for **Marcus** – I have worked with him but also I have seen the dedication he has put towards Divest Concordia and his ability to go forward with campaigns, and that is a really strong assets for someone joining the External & Campaigns Committee.

Jeremy Tessier motivates for **Chloe** and **Thomas** – **Chloe** is motivated and I have seen her in action and to echo what everyone else said, she is capable. **Thomas** I worked with together in the Geography Department and he is great at networking and would be great for this.

A vote by roll call takes place.

Jenna Cocullo, Marcus Peters, Thomas Radcliffe and Chloe Williams are appointed to the External & Campaigns Committee.



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Alanna Stacey: I would just like the committee to provide **Vicky** with as much detail as possible about the FEUQ to provide her with one of those seats for Concordia at the FEUQ meetings.

Sustainability Committee

Jessica Cabana: At the June Regular Council meeting we will discuss the possibility of taking over the mandate of the Referendum Oversight Committee. They are looking to open up a co-op in the Java U space in the Hall building. I encourage people with a strong sense of social justice, food sovereignty and environmental passion to apply. The committee will meet at least once a month but I expect every once every two (2) weeks.

Jeremy Blinkhorn nominates **Emily Fisher** and himself.

Emily accepts.

Chloe Williams nominates **Jeremy Tessier**.

Jeremy T. accepts.

Terry Wilkings nominates **Thomas Radcliffe**.

Thomas accepts.

Vicky Rodgers nominates herself

Jenna Cocullo nominates herself.

Emily Fisher: As far as sustainability goes, this is important to me and is one of my values not just within Concordia but in general. Food systems are important and one thing I am interested in is the food co-op. I have helped open three (3) restaurants and I have managed a restaurant overseeing forty (40) staff members and I think I would be very qualified.

Jeremy Blinkhorn: I am a Fine Arts major and my practice is lots of sustainability. I have sat on SAF and other initiatives and have been a part of the hiring process for people who have been part of SAF.

Jeremy Tessier: I have had a lot of really good experience working in cafes and could provide some valuable input. I was on the Sustainability Committee for ASFA and have been working on an ASFA-related project with **Jessica Cabana** so I knew some of the details of these project and would like to move forward with them.

Thomas Radcliffe: I am not a big fan of the word sustainability but this committee directly relates to what I have studied, what I plan on doing after school, and as far as the restaurant thing goes, I have been working in restaurants for twelve (12) years now on three different continents.



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Vicky Rodgers: I would appreciate being part of this committee for a couple of reasons – under the CASA umbrella there is a group called the JSG which works towards achieving sustainable aspects into business life, and on top of that I am what you would call a green capitalist. Through the free market and technological innovations we can achieve a greener more environmentally friendly world. Customers want to have sustainable products and I think that we should deliver that.

Jenna Cocullo: My experience in Concordia was with the Concordia Food Coalition and I have started to go to most of their meetings and the Transitions conference, and not just focused on food sustainability but also social sustainability. At FIFEQ we focused on social sustainability and I am currently filming a show on volunteerism and sustainable local businesses.

Nicholas Pidiktakis motivates for **Vicky** – I believe we need a diversity of opinion on sustainability and tackling issues of climate change and global warning by having someone who is a passionate advocate of free market solutions. As a general comment in terms of moving forward with the co-op cafes in democratizing and reclaiming the food system, keep in mind the G-lounge cafe has been around for more than thirty (30) years, so if the Sustainability Committee could keep them on their radar that would be appreciated.

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis motivates for **Emil**. – **Emily** is a professional and meticulous in her managerial experience and how she tackles student projects and student life. Sustainability is her passion and for someone this well organized and with this much attention to detail they will pursue it.

Jessica Cabana motivates for **Emily** – she is one of the first people who came to me asking questions, she is super passionate and voiced a lot of interest. **Thomas** has been there for a lot of work I have done on sustainability and was super helpful. I worked with **Jeremy Tessier** last year and I encourage him being on the committee as he is diligent and engaged. **Jenna** worked with **Ben** a lot and I have only heard positive compliments.

Terry Wilkings: It is important to take into account what students have expressed in terms of how they would like to see sustainability initiatives be taken away from the market mechanism because they would like to see a co-op. A big part of that is when you marketize the distribution of a good, it leads to a lot of externalities which is a factor in causing global warning and climate change. I am not sure if taking the approach of looking at the way projects have been developing and derogating from that is a good idea and I am wondering how the candidates would like incorporate the resolutions which have been passed over the last General Elections?

Emily Fisher: I like the idea, I agree.

Jeremy Blinkhorn: The resolutions are basically what the students have said.

Jeremy Tessier: It is important to have student space and important because they have voted for socially responsible entities on campus and that is really great. I am fully aware of the history of Reggie's and their problems and I think that one should be very careful to not repeat those mistakes.



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Thomas Radcliffe: As far as the cafe goes, this is tied to sustainability in not having long supply chain.

Vicky Rodgers: The way I see it is that students asked us to kick out Java U, and second of all basically have a student-run cafe or restaurant on campus. Students wanted it and they are the main customers of all of these cafes and restaurants so we have to start with what kind of things students want. We should ask them what kind of food they want and if they have allergies, intolerances or vegetarian preferences and make a massive survey to ask them what they want in terms of menu selection.

Jenna Cocullo: I am down for using student space and asking them what else they want to use that space for like maybe opening up second-hand store which is an idea I want to pursue next year.

Vicky Rodgers: In terms of the free-market approach **Terry** was criticizing, I would love to mention the fact that an American entrepreneur named Rogers who is a proud capitalist made a fortune selling solar panels. That is a good green initiative heading towards the free market and there are customers looking to have energy-source certified appliances. These are things I look for as a customer and it is not forced on me. You need at least one business student who has knowledge about how to run a business to open a new businesses on campus.

A vote by roll call takes place.

Jeremy Blinkhorn, Emily Fisher, Thomas Radcliffe and Jeremy Tessier are appointed to the Sustainability Committee.

Loyola Committee

Gabriel Velasco: This committee is responsible for advising the CSU on how best to serve the students at Loyola. We are going to be working heavily on the the Hive cafe, on finishing its construction, on governance models and implementation, and on offices. The heavier workload will be in the summer and hopefully in September when it will open we will have space for creativity. If you do not study at Loyola this is alright, but I will be trying to having meetings at Loyola.

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis nominates herself.

Nicholas Pidiktakis nominates **Nicholaos Mouzourakis**.

Nicholaos accepts.

Jenna Cocullo nominates herself.

Vicky Rodgers nominates herself.

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis: I do not study at Loyola but I work at Loyola so I do have that perspective as to the differences in services and connectivity in terms of student space between Loyola and downtown. I have a personal vested interest not just because I am at Loyola, but because I have seen



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the dearth in terms of student space and the Hive project which I am so excited for. I work at a fee levy at Loyola as well.

Nicholaos Mouzourakis: As President of TKE this puts me on the Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC) which runs the G-lounge. My motivation for joining would be to act as a liaison between the IFC and the Loyola Committee in charge of the Hive to facilitate cooperation. I also take business classes at Loyola.

Jenna Cocullo: I am in communications at Loyola and I am always in the CJ building which only has about fifty people in it at a time and I really want to encourage students to come to Loyola. It has so much potential and I am super familiar with it and want to help the committee.

Vicky Rodgers: I have been to Loyola a couple of times and the first time I wanted Loyola to adopt me because I finally found quiet library spots. There is something wonderful called the G-Lounge which has wonderful specials and is the best cafe. It tastes good, is student run and I believe the G-Lounge should come downtown because I want my JMSB classmates to know about it.

Jeremy Blinkhorn moves to appoint Jenna Cocullo, Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis, Nicholaos Mouzourakis and Vicky Rodgers to the Loyola Committee omnibus.

Seconded by **Paul Jerajian**.

VOTE

In favour: 10

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 3 (**Lucinda, Jenna, Vicky**)

Motion carries.

Jenna Cocullo, Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis, Nicholaos Mouzourakis and Vicky Rodgers are appointed to the Loyola Committee.

Paul Jerajian moves that **Terry Ngala** be allowed first choosing rights on any Standing Committee, upon the approval of Council, as a voting member notwithstanding Standing Regulation 17.

Seconded by **Alanna Stacey**.

VOTE

In favour: 9

Opposed: 1

Abstentions: 3 (**James, Rami, Chloe**)

Motion carries.

d) Signing Officers



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Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis nominates **John Talbot**.

Chuck Wilson: I am a signing officer right now and you have to sign all checks and there are changes coming so that the President and two (2) councillors will be signing officers. There is a one (1)-hour weekly meeting with the General Manager to sign checks and contracts. This hour-long meeting exists in case you have any questions about the checks you are signing. This not only functions in an oversight capacity, but you will learn so much about the Union and you should be someone communicative and someone who will report to Council themselves if you find anything sketchy. This is something Council should want to entrust to someone they have a lot of faith and trust in.

Nicholas Pidiktakis nominates **James Tyler Vaccaro** and **Paul Jerajian** as the two signing officers of the CSU.

Seconded by **Alanna Stacey**.

Jeremy Tessier nominates **Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis** and **Benjamin Prunty**.

Charles Bourassa nominates **Gemma Acco**.

Chuck Wilson: Going to the bank takes a week turnaround time any time there is a change in signing officers. What makes a good signing officer is someone who is neurotic and has attention to detail and is interested in the CSU and the things that the Union does.

Paul Jerajian: I sign checks for a living at ASFA. I average about fifty per day, I go over them and I am the only one who does them. I report when I see something strange in them I have a knack at spotting these kinds of things especially when I am familiar with the budget. I am always on campus and available often.

James Tyler Vaccaro: An important part of the VP Clubs & Internal's job is going through all of the requisitions which come in from clubs. I review hundreds of these requisitions coming in and I am also very acutely aware of our accounting practices and the variety of accounts that we have. You must designate account codes to things you buy and the person who is acting as a signing officer must look in to see that such that budgets are respected as per Council's will. I have a working relationship with the General Manager and am open and comfortable going to executives and asking them if there are questions.

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis: I am a meticulous person, I am responsible and someone who does not really have a home life as I am always on campus. I know how to sign my name and look at stuff to see if it is alright.

Benjamin Prunty: I am the President-Elect of the CSU. I would appreciate being a signing officer as this is part of my job. I am happy to take the required due-diligence and I will always be around.

Gemma Acco: Seeing as this has to deal with money, it is really important and should have a high level of scrutiny. I am also on campus and I have a DEC as a paralegal and have worked in a law firm. I am no



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stranger to looking things over and making sure they are fine before sending them off. I am a signing officer for my own smaller association too.

Marcus Peters: The best way to complement my position in the Finance Committee is by your permitting me to be a signing officer to promote the transparency of the Finance Committee and to allow the CSU to operate with increased efficiency.

Jeremy Blinkhorn motivates for **Lucinda** – she is very detail-oriented and she can call us on anything that would happen. **Paul** would be a great candidate as well.

Nicholas Pidiktakis motivates for **James** and **Paul** – **Paul's** level of meticulousness borders on neuroses. He definitely was meticulous in terms of bylaw and Annex reform and will apply the same level of intensity in all financial dealings. When **James** helped to manage the budget of PSSA, like **Paul**, he was incredibly detail-oriented and it would be a huge loss given that he has institutional memory as the VP Clubs & internal. Both would be excellent financial gatekeepers in the CSU moving forward.

Paul Jerajian motivates for **Ben** – you need an executive as a signing officer. It will ruin your lives if you do not.

Charles Bourassa motivates for **Gemma** – she has the paralegal experience and will be around campus often.

Terry Wilkings motivates for **Marcus** and **Lucinda** – Chuck brought up a good point. Being a signing officer great way to learn about the CSU and all four (4) candidates are CSU veterans and should give up the opportunity for others to learn more about how the CSU operates. I believe people should vote for **Marcus** and **Lucinda**. This is a great opportunity for those two individuals to do so. I appreciate the passion other individuals have shown but right now they have had their opportunity to learn and we should try to maximize the number of people aware of the operations of the CSU.

Benjamin Prunty motivates for having an executive signing officer.

Alanna Stacey motivates against using this to learn about the CSU – you need someone to always be there, who knows what is going on and is going to put their name down and will be 100% accountable. With that, I would like to motivate for **James**, **Paul** and **Ben**. **Ben** speaks for itself, and **James** and **Paul** are meticulous with details. They are knowledgeable and always here and if ever there is an emergency you know they will be there.

Jessica Cabana motivate for **Marcus** and **Ben** – **Ben** is president, he is there all the time, and **Marcus** will be on the Finance Committee and aware of all transactions.

Charles Bourassa: For the nominees working off campus, how many class hours do you have on the downtown campus to gage you time availability?

Paul Jerajian: I work 8h00 to 18h00 three (3) days a week but I can fake being sick any time I want.



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James Tyler Vaccaro: I am unemployed as of May 31st.

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis: Both semesters I am taking twelve (12) credits downtown. I work at Loyola but most of my job is in my inbox so I am usually downtown.

Gemma Acco: I am unemployed and will remain so until I am done. I am taking four (4) classes which are all electives and am generally on campus from 9h00 to midnight every day. I have no classes at Loyola.

Terry Wilkings: The individual who wrote the Newtown report is recommending the learning opportunity coming out of being a signing officer and I hope that people take that into serious consideration. Everyone started not knowing everything about the CSU and there will be a General Manager overseeing everything.

Alanna Stacey: We do not have to appoint all three today.

A vote by roll call takes place.

Gemma Acco, Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis and Benjamin Prunty are appointed as the CSU's signing officers..

7. RETURNING BUSINESS

a) Hive Café Solidarity Cooperative Motions

Benjamin Prunty:

WHEREAS the CSU has been mandated, as per the 2013-2014 by-elections referendum results, to install or help found a cooperative cafe to be established in the location on the mezzanine of the hall building;

WHEREAS the CSU Sustainability Committee (2013-2014) has unanimously recommended that we use the funds remaining in the 2013-2014 Green Initiatives budget-line;

WHEREAS the CSU executive has been mandated to found the Hive Cafe Solidarity Cooperative;

WHEREAS both projects are at a point where professionals of the qualifications outlined in the job descriptions in question are required;

WHEREAS roughly \$56 400 in non-CSU funds have already been committed to the Hive Cafe Solidarity Cooperative, and an additional \$15 000 is expected from CDEC, and we are waiting to hear back about considerably more still (we applied for a \$75 000 food-systems grant) from another grant application that looks promising;



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WHEREAS both cafes were positively received election issues, and major promises of the Community Matters team, in the recent annual General Elections;

WHEREAS it is the recommendation of the previous VP Loyola that we should have hired a professional at the beginning of the year, last year, for the Hive Cafe Solidarity Cooperative, and both cooperative projects require comparable expertise;

WHEREAS the two positions in question could feasibly work alongside the professional consultant which is being provided by CDEC, for a total of \$15 000, or 150 hours, to professionalize both the Hive Cafe Solidarity Cooperative plans, as well as the plans for the Mezz Cafe Cooperative, thus moving both projects ahead without requiring a significant amount of the executive's time;

WHEREAS these positions would liaise with the Executive, and Council if needed via committee;

BIRT the CSU approve the funding for the following positions for the Hive Cafe Solidarity Cooperative:

- Hive Café Solidarity Cooperative Project Coordinator/General Manager
- Mezz Café Solidarity Cooperative Project Coordinator/General Manager

WHEREAS students were asked the following referendum question during the most recent CSU general elections:

“Special By-Law I Petition -- The Student Space, Accessible Education & Legal Contingency Fund has been accumulating large amounts of student money for ten (10) years. The appropriate use of these funds as outlined in the by-laws is open to interpretation. Do you as a member of the Concordia Student Union approve of the use of a portion of this fund for the creation and expansion of predominantly student-run food systems projects on campus?”

and students approved of it (2172 in favor, 334 against, 42 abstain);

WHEREAS the amounts are of such an amount so as to not significantly reduced the fund;

BIRT the expenses for the following positions be sent to the Student Space, Accessible Education & Legal Contingency Fund committee for full reimbursement therefrom:

- Hive Café Solidarity Cooperative Project Coordinator/General Manager
- Mezz Café Solidarity Cooperative Project Coordinator/General Manager

Benjamin Prunty: I am very excited to move forward on these projects and have talked about these two projects to every single person I spoke to during my campaign. I mentioned in my opening spiel that there is a history of student support through our voting structure and there have been four (4) votes that could be translated into support for these projects. The projects and plans behind them have been financially endorsed by SAF for \$12 500, CCSL for \$38 900 and CDEC for \$15 000, and they are giving us a lot of positive feedback. These organizations have seen quite a bit of the plan and are comfortable providing funding for it. The job descriptions were written through considerable consultation with the General Manager, Campaigns Coordinator and CDEC. These motions would work very well as an omnibus.



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Vicky Rodgers: It is currently 2h25 and this question is extremely important, and on personal basis I do not have enough awareness and concentration level in terms of being able to properly debate this motion. If I can try to set up my own perspective on this, it is that with the Student Space, Accessible Education and Legal Contingency Fund I believe that we should be extremely careful with the drawing of funds from it given that we are being sued by the CFS for several millions of dollars. The fund should have more than enough money to pay the settlement in case we lose this kind of lawsuit which means that we should be extremely prudent and financially conservative in terms of drawing money from an account like this one. We should not make a habit out of withdrawing money from this fund.

Chuck Wilson: How much is the CFS suing us for?

Benjamin Prunty: It is hovering around \$3.5 million.

James Tyler Vaccaro: I had a conversation with the outgoing VP Finance about his conversation with the incoming VP finance about our accounting practices. As for the job descriptions and breakdowns of these job descriptions, I feel as though the project manager position is being posted with the intention of this person becoming the cafe manager and this puts a large burden in terms of the requirements for skill sets that we will be searching for in one individual. I think it would be a better option to move forward with the project manager but having the jobs split as a project manager and a cafe manager independently. The tasks included in the cafe manager portion of it are things like purchasing food and all that should not be in that position. We are lumping a lot of tasks into one person's hands. People more specialized should be operating the cafe.

Gabriel Velasco: If you read the actual job description it does split it up into two different salaries for the project manager position and the Hive. The contract is divided into two – one for the beginning project manager and one for the cafe manager.

James Tyler Vaccaro: Are we looking to hire two people?

Gabriel Velasco: It depends. There will be two (2) separate job postings.

Benjamin Prunty: The executive would be liaising for the tasks. There is one position related to construction and the executive will liaise with this person and when it comes to construction we will work hand-in-hand with them. We have two (2) executives fully committed to this and I would appreciate a vote of confidence as this is something I stand 100% behind and it is what I ran on in the past three (3) elections.

Jeremy Blinkhorn calls the question.
Seconded by **Nicholaos Mouzourakis**.

VOTE

In favour: 7

Opposed: 2



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Abstentions: 2 (**Alanna, Gemma**)

Question is called.

VOTE

In favour: 9

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 4 (**Vicky, James, Paul, Alanna**)

Motion carries.

James Tyler Vaccaro:

BIRT the financial officer transfer all remaining funds from the Green Initiatives expense budget lines on May 31st, 2014 to be a current asset listed as a pre-paid expense for green initiatives;

BIRT that the motion be sent to FYE '14 CSU Financial Committee for approval as the transfer may be over \$10 000 in value.

Seconded by **Heather Nagy**.

James Tyler Vaccaro: We are transferring funds allocated for this year's budget to expenses to be spent for next year's budget. The expenses supposed to take place need to take place and this has to be approved this year to be transferred into next year.

Benjamin Prunty: I disagree with this motion. Moving forward should not be through this process and this is just the CSU funding something. It is not required to go back to the Finance Committee if the CSU has already approved this.

Scott Carr: Isn't point of this motion to transfer funds from from fiscal year ending '14 to fiscal year ending '15 which you cannot do any other way?

James Tyler Vaccaro: Yes.

Heather Nagy: To me this seems like an accounting procedure which is going to be done because of the motion put forward before deliberated on. I do not understand why this has to come through Council if this is what the Finance Committee does.

Benjamin Prunty calls the question.

Seconded by **Nicholaos Mouzourakis**.

VOTE

In favour: 9

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 2 (**James, Paul**)



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Question is called.

VOTE

In favour: 4

Opposed: 3

Abstentions: 4 (**Chloe, Jenna, Rami, Lucinda, Emily**)

Motion carries.

Benjamin Prunty: This project has been the topic of considerable discussion. It could have moved ahead much quicker and has involved multiple levels of the campus community. I am extremely reluctant to send this to committee over and over again.

8. NEW BUSINESS – SUBSTANTIVE

a) Setting the time of Regular Meetings

Alanna Stacey: We are having a middle-ground issue between 15h00 and 18h00. Why not go between 16h30 and 17h00? Having long late meetings is what we signed up for and 15h00 is too early so, maybe 17h00.

Paul Jerajian moves that meetings be held on Wednesdays at 18h30.

Seconded by **Alanna Stacey**.

Paul Jerajian: For the June meeting we are doing convenience vs accessibility. If it goes late, that is what we signed up for.

Vicky Rodgers: There is this notion that you cannot give consent if you do not have full mental capacity. I can testify that I see many exhausted faces and I am not sure that the best and most efficient decisions will be made if the meeting will end at 5h00 or 6h00. This is why I strongly doubt that starting at 18h00 or 18h30pm would be productive.

Charles Bourassa amends the motion to state the exception being the June 11th meeting which will start at 15h00.

Seconded by **Vicky Rodgers**.

Charles Bourassa: Starting the meeting early and having more people there throughout the day and people not having to leave throughout the meeting is something we should try out just once. People have time to go and get work off.

Gemma Acco: Regardless of what time the meeting starts, interviews should be held around 19h00 when most candidates are available.



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Terry Wilkings: Most people are not mentally taking part in this meeting but are physically here right now. If we start the meeting earlier, this is a great way to accommodate both. I do not know if being here at 15h00 is the best way to make really important decisions, but if we start earlier for one day it is a great way to move forward effectively.

Jeremy Tessier calls the question.
Seconded by **Rami Yahia**.

VOTE

In favour: 9
Opposed: 0
Abstentions: 3 (**James, Paul, Jenna**)

Question is called.

VOTE

In favour: 5
Opposed: 7
Abstentions: 3 (**Gemma, Angelica**)

Amendment is rejected.

Vicky Rodgers calls the question.
Seconded by **Nicholaos Mouzourakis**.

VOTE

In favour: 15
Opposed: 0
Abstentions: 0

Question is called.

VOTE

In favour: 14
Opposed: 1
Abstentions: 0

Motion carries.

b) Council Retreat and Training

Benjamin Prunty: Council retreat took place in September last year and I assume it would take place at the same time. The training already happened and a lot of you were there but I am open to additional training. The process is still ongoing.



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Terry Wilkings moves that Council approve that the annual Council Retreat take place at the earliest possible time following Orientation notwithstanding Standing Regulation 325.

Seconded by **Jeremy Tessier**.

Terry Wilkings: You would have to carry the motion notwithstanding Standing Regulation 325 which states that the retreat must take place before September 1st. We will be hosting the FEUQ at the end of August for a 3 to 4 day congress so logistically it would be difficult for the executive to attend this retreat and it would be difficult to hold the retreat before them. We worked diligently to hold training sessions before this meeting.

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis moves to table this agenda point to the June Regular Council meeting.

Seconded by **Alanna Stacey**.

VOTE

In favour: 10

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 3 (**Rami, Jeremy B., Angelica**)

Motion carries.

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis moves to suspend Robert's Rule.

Seconded by **James Tyler Vaccaro**.

VOTE

In favour: 12

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carries.

James Tyler Vaccaro moves to move the 9. f) *CJLO Motion* to be the next point on the agenda.

Seconded by **Rami Yahia**.

VOTE

In favour: 11

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 1 (**Nicholaos**)

Motion carries.

Paul Jerajian moves to reinstate Robert's Rules.

Seconded by **James Tyler Vaccaro**.



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VOTE

In favour: 12

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 1

Motion carries.

f) CJLO Motion

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis: I am on the executive team of CJLO and Council would like me to abstain from the motion.

WHEREAS the Concordia Student Broadcasting Corporation (CSBC) has submitted an application to the Canadian Radiotelevision and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) in order to place a 100-watt FM-repeater on the roof of Concordia's Hall Building, with the proposed signal of 107.9 FM;

WHEREAS this FM-repeater is sought in order to have a viable on-air signal for CJLO – Concordia's campus and community radio station – on Concordia's Sir George Williams campus, which currently has poor reception of CJLO's existing AM signal;

WHEREAS the CSBC has a mandate to serve the entire Concordia undergraduate student body located on both campus, in consideration of its fee levy status and of its mission;

WHEREAS the CSBC's application to the CRTC is currently open for public comment, and that these comments will have bearing on the CRTC's ultimate decision;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Concordia Student Union publicly endorse the Concordia Student Broadcasting Corporation's application for an FM-repeater on top of Concordia's Hall Building;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Concordia Student Union submit a comment of support to the CRTC in regards to this application, before the deadline of May 26 2014;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Concordia Student Union disseminate their support for this application to their members, and encourage their members to submit comments of support.

Seconded by **Paul Jerajian**.

Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis: We applied for this transmitter because the AM signals cannot breach Concordia's downtown campus. CJLO applied for the AM license seven (7) years ago so by two experts in radio, this was the best solution. Essentially it is just asking for support that this is a good thing as it serves the Concordia student body.

VOTE

In favour: 13

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 1 (**Lucinda**)



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Motion carries.

Jeremy Blinkhorn moves to limit discussion for each subsequent agenda point to five (5) minutes.
Seconded by **Rami Yahia**.

VOTE

In favour: 9

Opposed: 1

Abstentions: 3

Motion carries.

c) Executive Retreat Motion

Benjamin Prunty: moves to approve \$1 500 for the executive retreat.
Seconded by **Alanna Stacey**.

Benjamin Prunty: This is 250\$ more than last year. It seems more expensive even though we are going back to the same place. I am not sure how we did it last year looking at the numbers, but we are very likely going to be borrowing cars, though it is possible that someone will want to be reimbursed for gas. \$1 500 is easy for us to work with.

Alanna Stacey: Is there a budget for the event?

Benjamin Prunty: Lodging is \$1 000. We are choosing two (2) full days and we are looking into starting to use CommunAuto for travel. We are trying to figure out if this is cheaper so we are hoping that we might be able to cut some costs. Food is budgeted at 250\$ and alcohol will not be expensed. The costs come from gas, food and lodging, but the vast majority is lodging.

Paul Jerajian: Is this retreat necessary? Can it be avoided by going to someone's house?

James Tyler Vaccaro: I did this wonderful retreat last year and it is not about the training but about getting to know the seven people you will be spending a really horrible year with. It is very key and important to be able to go away to some peace and quiet and actually enjoy each other's company.

Charles Bourassa: We have also been planning some things like visioning for the full year and what the big projects are that we want to focus on. We have put certain things off with the mindset of going up north. I feel like although we will get to know each other and bond, we really do plan on working.

Rami Yahia: I think it is necessary. Many clubs do this and it brings fruitful results.

VOTE



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Opposed: 1 (**Paul**)

Abstentions: 3 (**Alanna, Emily, Jeremy B.**)

Motion carries.

Alanna Stacey: Considering there is opposition to this happening I would request an informal report following the retreat to inform us of the things done and learned, and how to improve for next year along with the budget.

Benjamin Prunty: We will do that.

d) CSU Email Addresses and Council Communications

Paul Jerajian moves to table this agenda point to the June Regular Council Meeting.

Seconded by **James Tyler Vaccaro**.

VOTE

In favour: 10

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 1

Motion carries.

Agenda point is tabled to the June Regular Council meeting.

e) Indigenous

Agenda point is tabled to the June Regular Council meeting.

g) \$4 500 for researcher

Anthony Garoufalis-Auger:

WHEREAS the CSU will be producing a variety of educational materials over the summer for their campaigns;

WHEREAS the CSU will be needing assistance in researching relevant information to help prepare for the FEUQ congresses;

WHEREAS the CSU has limited capacity to produce the kind of research required for the effective accomplishment of its external relations and campaigns;



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WHEREAS the creation of a temporary research position for the summer for 2014 that can begin in June is considered a priority based on discussions about HR needs for the CSU's external and campaigns portfolio;

BIRT that the CSU contract a part time campaigns researcher to assist in the External and Campaigns portfolio for a total cost of \$4000;

BIFRT that the researcher job description be finalized through the External & Campaigns Committee and be effective immediately following the approval therefrom.

Seconded by **Jeremy Blinkhorn**.

Anthony Garoufalis-Auger: The CSU has to produce quite a bit of research for different portfolios. Last year the CSU hired a researcher to prepare for the congress. Quite a lot of research is done in a lot of other universities and they have assistants to do this, They do things like research on academic affairs, and social and institutional affairs, and assistance would be helpful. The CSU was dependent on the researcher which was myself doing research for Divest Concordia and no one will be replacing me doing that type of research. We have another researcher looking onto alternative investments whose time will be running out. The original motion was \$4 500 and that can be changed. The second clause is that the job description is to be finalized through the External & Campaigns Committee and that they will do 25 hours for a top-tier salary at \$16.48 per hour. It is up to the External & Campaigns Committee to decide what the job description will be.

James Tyler Vaccaro: You allocated \$4 500 for the purpose of research so are we allocating it by honorarium or it is hourly?

Benjamin Prunty: The proper protocol will be followed and the External & Campaigns Committee will look at it.

James Tyler Vaccaro: Will the External & Campaigns Committee write the description and decide the number of hours and salary?

Anthony Garoufalis-Auger: Yes – the hours can be less and the salary can be less.

James Tyler Vaccaro: Is this contractual and not permanent?

Anthony Garoufalis-Auger: Yes.

James Tyler Vaccaro: Have you spoken to CUPE rep?

Anthony Garoufalis-Auger: No.

VOTE

In favour: 7

Opposed: 2 (**Paul**)



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Abstentions: 2 (**Nicholaos, Chloe**)

Motion carries.

h) Work Plans

Paul Jerajian moves to mandate the executive to provide the work plans at the June Regular Council meeting.

Seconded by **James Tyler Vaccaro**.

Paul Jerajian: Work plans should be submitted with the budgets. It makes sense to see where the executives are headed and this can add to the value of the budget as we can see specific activities. There is no purpose for these to be due in September.

Benjamin Prunty: I do not see having our work plans completed by June 6th. Last year when I was writing my work plan one of the most successful events I had was developed halfway through the summer and it would have been completely different if I had written the plan earlier in the year. This timeline makes me think that the CSU has one extremely urgent task after another with extremely little break. I worry about rushing the creativity process and I disagree that these should be ready by June 6th. For the purpose of increased transparency we could write what we are doing during the summer.

Charles Bourassa: This is being thrown on us right now when we are still in training and due eleven (11) days after we are done our training. Maybe this would have worked if we had started in the beginning of May. I have been working on Orientation since I have gotten into office and I have a huge application due June 9th which is a huge undertaking, and to take time away from that would jeopardize Orientation pretty heavily as we receive \$40 000 from this fund. I like **Ben's** idea of having the summer work plan and being transparent in that sense.

Jeremy Blinkhorn moves to amend the motion to be the creation of a tentative visioning framework including what the executive intends on doing during the summer.

Amendment is adopted by unanimous consent.

Alanna Stacey calls the question.

Seconded by **Nicholaos Mouzourakis**.

VOTE

In favour: 10

Opposed: 1 (**Paul**)

Abstentions: 2 (**James**)

Question is called.



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VOTE

In favour: 13
Opposed: 0
Abstentions: 0

Motion carries.

9. NEW BUSINESS – INFORMATIONAL

No New Business – Informational was considered at this meeting.

10. QUESTION PERIOD & BUSINESS ARISING

Paul Jerajian moves to excuse **Terry Ngala**.
Seconded by **Nicholaos Mouzourakis**.

Terry Wilkings moves to amend the motion to excuse **John Talbot** and **Marcus Peters** as well.
Seconded by **Rami Yahia**.

Terry Wilkings: By sending their regrets that meant they knew they were not going to be able to attend the meeting. This is the first meeting of Council and implicitly, if someone submits their regrets, they knew in advance.

Alanna Stacey: Could we please have formal regrets sent to the Chair?

Benjamin Prunty: I take personal responsibility for this partially as I did not send notice that councillors had to send regrets.

VOTE

In favour: 7
Opposed: 2
Abstentions: 3 (**Alanna, Jeremy B.**)

Amendment is adopted.

Benjamin Prunty: When I spoke to **Terry**, he said he had class until 21h00 but did not show up at this time like he said he would, but then I only just talked to him yesterday.

Paul Jerajian moves to split the motion to vote on each councillor individually.
Seconded by **Jenna Cocullo**.

VOTE

In favour: 5



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Opposed: 5
Abstentions: 0

Motion is rejected.

Paul Jerajian: **John** has been a councillor before and he knows he has to send regrets. We can be nice about it but this is one of the most important commitments you can make during the year.

Alanna Stacey: **John** is on vacation. People get excused for exams or appointments and this is not something which has been cleared in the past for CSU members.

Benjamin Prunty: It seems like **John** is asking Council to excuse him. He has no expectation for Council to do this so it would just be doing him a favour. We would also have to carry the motion notwithstanding Standing Regulation 66.

Gemma Acco: Seeing as there are only so many absences for Council, it is kind of important to touch on this and set a precedence.

Gabriel Velasco moves to amend the motion notwithstanding Standing Regulation 66.
Seconded by **Terry Wilkings**.

Amendment is adopted by unanimous consent.

Benjamin Prunty: The absences policy is there for a reason.

VOTE

In favour: 1
Opposed: 7
Abstentions: 3 (**Gemma, Chloe**)

Motion is rejected.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

James Tyler Vaccaro: You have now finished your first Council meeting.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Alanna Stacey moves to adjourn.
Seconded by **Nicholaos Mouzourakis**.

VOTE

In favour: 7



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Opposed: 0
Abstentions: 0

Motion carries.

Meeting is adjourned at 3h51.



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Wednesday, May 21st, 2014
H-427, 18h30, S.G.W Campus

Summary of Motions Carried

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A motion was carried to table agenda points 6. d) *Councillors to University Senate*, 6. f) *Concordia Council on Student Life (CCSL)* and 6. g) *Library Services Fund Committee* to the June Regular Council Meeting.

– *Michael Richardson (Vicky Rodgers)*

6. APPOINTMENTS

a) Council Chair

A motion was carried to extend the Council Chair job posting to June 6th, 2014.

– *Charles Bourassa (Alanna Stacey)*

A motion was carried to re-invite both candidates for the Council Chair position back for a second interview with a new round of questions drafted by the Appointments Committee.

– *Charles Bourassa (Alanna Stacey)*

A motion was carried to take minutes in closed session and have the closed session minutes distributed in a separate document.

– *James Tyler Vaccaro (Michael Richardson)*

b) Council Secretary

A motion was carried to appoint Caitlin Robinson as Council Secretary for the 2014-2015 year.

– *Following a vote by roll call*

c) Councillors to Standing Committees of Council

Clubs & Space Committee

A motion was carried to appoint Angelica Novielli, Alanna Stacey, John Talbot and Rami Yahia to the Clubs & Space Committee.



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– *Following a vote by roll call*

Appointments Committee

A motion was carried to appoint Gemma Acco, Jeremy Blinkhorn, Virginia Law and Jeremy Tessier to the Appointments Committee.

– *James Tyler Vaccaro (Michael Richardson)*

Policy Committee

A motion was carried to appoint Paul Jerajian, Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis and Marion Miller to the Policy Committee.

– *Following a vote by roll call*

A motion was carried to appoint Jenna Cocullo and Matthew Palynchuk to the Policy Committee, in addition to the three members with the highest votes, notwithstanding Standing Regulation 17a.

– *Paul Jerajian (Rami Yahia)*

Finance Committee

A motion was carried to appoint Marcus Peters, Michael Richardson, Anita Sarkissian and James Tyler Vaccaro to the Finance Committee.

– *Following a vote by roll call*

Student Life Committee

A motion was carried to appoint Emily Fisher, Nicholaos Mouzourakis, Vicky Rodgers and Emma Wilson to the Student Life Committee.

– *Following a vote by roll call*

External & Campaigns Committee

A motion was carried to appoint Jenna Cocullo, Marcus Peters, Thomas Radcliffe and Chloe Williams to the External & Campaigns Committee.

– *Following a vote by roll call*

Sustainability Committee



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A motion was carried to appoint Jeremy Blinkhorn, Emily Fisher, Thomas Radcliffe and Jeremy Tessier to the Sustainability Committee.

– *Following a vote by roll call*

Loyola Committee

A motion was carried to appoint Jenna Cocullo, Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis, Nicholaos Mouzourakis and Vicky Rodgers to the Loyola Committee.

– *Jeremy Blinkhorn (Paul Jerajian)*

A motion was carried to allow Terry Ngala first choosing rights on any Standing Committee as a voting member, upon the approval of Council, notwithstanding Standing Regulation 17.

– *Paul Jerajian (Alanna Stacey)*

d) Signing Officers

A motion was carried to appoint Gemma Acco, Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis and Benjamin Prunty as the CSU's signing officers.

– *Following a vote by roll call*

7. RETURNING BUSINESS

a) Hive Café Solidarity Cooperative Motions

The following motion was carried:

WHEREAS the CSU has been mandated, as per the 2013-2014 by-elections referendum results, to install or help found a cooperative cafe to be established in the location on the mezzanine of the hall building;

WHEREAS the CSU Sustainability Committee (2013-2014) has unanimously recommended that we use the funds remaining in the 2013-2014 Green Initiatives budget-line;

WHEREAS the CSU executive has been mandated to found the Hive Cafe Solidarity Cooperative;

WHEREAS both projects are at a point where professionals of the qualifications outlined in the job descriptions in question are required;

WHEREAS roughly \$56 400 in non-CSU funds have already been committed to the Hive Cafe Solidarity Cooperative, and an additional \$15 000 is expected from CDEC, and we are waiting to hear back about considerably more still (we applied for a \$75 000 food-systems grant) from another grant application that looks promising;



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WHEREAS both cafes were positively received election issues, and major promises of the Community Matters team, in the recent annual General Elections;

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– James Tyler Vaccaro (Heather Nagy)



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8. NEW BUSINESS – SUBSTANTIVE

a) Setting the time of Regular Meetings

A motion was carried to set CSU Regular meetings on Wednesdays at 18h30.

– Paul Jerajian (Alanna Stacey)

b) Council Retreat and Training

A motion was carried to table this agenda point to the June Regular Council meeting.

– Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis (Alanna Stacey)

f) CJLO Motion

The following motion was carried:

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– Lucinda Marshall-Kisparissis (Paul Jerajian)

c) Executive Retreat Motion



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A motion was carried to approve \$1 500 for the executive retreat.

– Benjamin Prunty (*Alanna Stacey*)

d) CSU Email Addresses and Council Communications

A motion was carried to table this agenda point to the June Regular Council Meeting.

– Paul Jerajian (*James Tyler Vaccaro*)

g) \$4 500 for researcher

The following motion was carried:

WHEREAS the CSU will be producing a variety of educational materials over the summer for their campaigns;

WHEREAS the CSU will be needing assistance in researching relevant information to help prepare for the FEUQ congresses;

WHEREAS the CSU has limited capacity to produce the kind of research required for the effective accomplishment of its external relations and campaigns;

WHEREAS the creation of a temporary research position for the summer for 2014 that can begin in June is considered a priority based on discussions about HR needs for the CSU's external and campaigns portfolio;

BIRT that the CSU contract a part time campaigns researcher to assist in the External and Campaigns portfolio for a total cost of \$4000;

BIFRT that the researcher job description be finalized through the External & Campaigns Committee and be effective immediately following the approval therefrom.

– Anthony Garoufalis-Auger (*Jeremy Blinkhorn*)

h) Work Plans

A motion was carried to mandate the Executive to produce a tentative visioning framework including what the Executive intends on doing during the summer at the June Regular Council meeting.

– Paul Jerajian (*James Tyler Vaccaro*)