



Concordia Student Union – Council of Representatives

CSU Special Council Meeting – Agenda
Wednesday, October 21st, 2015
H-711, 18h30, S.G.W Campus

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. Appointments

- a) Appointment of Chief Electoral Officer (CEO)
- b) Appointment to Concordia Council on Student Life (CCSL)

4. Adjournment

Meeting officially called by CSU President Terry Wilkings as per By-Law 6.6.3



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1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting is called to order at 18h53.

We would like to acknowledge that Concordia university is on the traditional territory of the Kanien'keha:ka (Ga-niyen-gé-haa-ga), a place which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange amongst nations. Concordia recognizes, and respects the Kanien'keha:ka (Ga-niyen-gé-haa-ga) as the traditional custodians of the lands and waters on which we meet today.

2. ROLL CALL

Council Chairperson: *Mat Forget*

Council Secretary: *Caitlin Robinson*

Executives present for the duration of the meeting consisted of *Gabrielle Caron* (VP Sustainability), *Lori Dimaria* (VP Clubs & Internal), *Gabriel Velasco* (VP External & Mobilization), *Terry Wilkings* (President) and *Chloë Williams* (VP Loyola).

Executives absent for the duration of the meeting consisted of *Anas Bouslikhane* (VP Finance), *Marion Miller* (VP Academic & Advocacy) and *John Talbot* (VP Student Life).

Councillors present for the duration of the meeting consisted of *Michael Giesbrecht* (Arts & Science), *Adrian Longinotti* (Arts & Science), *Lucinda Marshall-Kiparissis* (Arts & Science), *Terry Ngala* (Arts & Science), *Aloyse Muller* (Arts & Science), *Geneviève Nadeau-Bonin* (Arts & Science), *Jason Poirier-Lavoie* (Arts & Science), *Benjamin Prunty* (Arts & Science), and *Rami Yahia* (ENCS).

Councillors absent for the duration of the meeting consisted of *Omar Al Khin* (JMSB), *Jenna Cocullo* (Arts & Science), *Simon Dansereau* (JMSB), *Jana Ghalayini* (ENCS), *Rachel Gauthier* (JMSB), *Sanaz Hassan Pour* (Fine Arts), *Faddy Kamel* (ENCS), *Hassan Mogharbel* (ENCS), *Marcus Peters* (Arts & Science), *Melanie Romer* (Arts & Science), *Fadi Sajari* (JMSB), *Leyla Sutherland* (Fine Arts) and *Michael Wrobel* (Arts & Science).

3. APPOINTMENTS

a) Appointment of Chief Electoral Officer (CEO)

Chloë Williams:



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WHEREAS Mohammad AINagger was the most qualified and experienced candidate to apply;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Mohammad AINagger be appointed as the new Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) for the Concordia Student Union.

Seconded by **Aloyse Muller**.

Chloë Williams: We held the CEO interviews on Friday. Myself, **Rami, Jana, Hassan** and Anais the student-at-large were present, along with Mohammad, the former CSU CEO. The interviews went really well and we had two (2) candidates present themselves, despite putting the call-out through Facebook, and the CSU newsletter. Both were strong candidates, however Mohammed AINagger, just because he did the position and was DEO last year, was stronger. We would like to have Council appoint him as CEO, and we recommend that the other candidate, Derisha Sirkanthan, apply for the DEO position because I think that she would be strong. She is also a first year student and has a long time to be at Concordia which is a positive. After we make this motion, **Gabe** will make a motion regarding the Bylaws.

Michael Giesbrecht: I want to speak to the fact that last year during the elections he was very thorough, objective and neutral, so I think that he is a great option.

VOTE

In favour : 8

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carries.

Gabriel Velasco:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT for the 2015 By-Elections, the announcement of the polls will take place on the 29th of October (SR 263), that the nominations period will take place between the 30th of October and the 6th of November, inclusively (SR 269), and that on the 30th of October, the Chief Electoral Officer shall issue public notice of additional policies and directives for the duration of the elections period (SR 265).

Seconded by **Jason Poirier-Lavoie**.

Gabriel Velasco: This is regarding the time delays of the announcement of the polls so that they match the Bylaws. The Standing Regulations that are mentioned talk about the nominations period, the announcement of the polls and the documents which need to be given out. The way that school started this year was awkward, beginning a week later than usual, and the proposed nominations period will be eight (8) days instead of ten (10). What would have been October 23rd is October 29th, and October 26th is October 30th. The actual elections times are the same, along with the polling period.

Terry Wilkings: A couple of years back they had expanded the duration of the nominations period to take into account for a lack of participation, specifically from the Fine Arts faculty, but obviously since then we have had full representation from Fine Arts consistently, so that measure was exhausted in terms of the



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function it was supposed to perform. We are following the same delays as the year previous. We should maybe review this at the Policy Committee.

VOTE

In favour : 8

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carries.

b) Appointment to Concordia Council on Student Life (CCSL)

Chloë Williams moves to appoint Theo Denieul to sit on the Concordia Council on Student Life (CCSL).

Seconded by **Benjamin Prunty**.

VOTE

In favour : 7

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 1 (**Adrian**)

Motion carries.

Chair: Before adjournment I will read out excusals from the executive who missed this meeting, and the excusals are for this meeting and the one to be held right after this. **Marion, John** and **Anas** have sent regrets.

Benjamin moves moves to excuse **Anas Bouslikhane, Marion Miller** and **John Talbot** from this meeting of Council and the one right after it, and to waive the \$100 penalty for each of these meetings.

Seconded by **Aloyse Muller**.

VOTE

In favour : 8

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carries.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Michael Giesbrecht moves to adjourn.

Seconded by **Geneviève Nadeau Bonin**.

VOTE



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In favour : 9
Opposed: 0
Abstentions: 0

Motion carries.

Meeting is adjourned at 18h59.



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Summary of Motions Carried

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– *Chloë Williams (Aloyse Muller)*

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– *Gabriel Velasco (Jason Poirier-Lavoie)*

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– *Chloë Williams (Benjamin Prunty)*

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– *Benjamin Prunty (Aloyse Muller)*