



Concordia Student Union – Council of Representatives

**CSU Regular Council Meeting – Minutes
Wednesday, November 9th, 2011
Room H-760, Time 6:30 PM, S.G.W Campus**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Approval of the Agenda**
- 4. Approval of the Minutes and Business Arising**
- 5. Chairperson's Report**
- 6. New Business**
 - a. Judicial Board – Decision**
 - b. Judicial Board – Appointment**
 - c. Loyola Committee – Appointment**
- 7. Executive Reports – Consent Agenda**
- 8. Report from University Bodies – Consent Agenda**
- 9. Report from Committees – Consent Agenda**
- 10. Question Period and Business Arising**
- 11. November 10th Logistics**
- 12. Adjournment**



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1. The meeting is called to order at 6:48 pm.

2. Roll Call

Executives:

Lex Gill

Gonzo Nieto

Chad Walcott

Morgan Pudwell

Laura Glover

Melissa Fuller

Hasan Cheikhzen

Jordan Lindsay

Councillors:

Kyle Mcloughlin

Bruno Joyal

Sabrina D'Ambra

Simon-Pierre Lauzon

Cameron Monagle

Michaela Manson

Nadine Atallah

Melanie Hotchkiss

Irmak Bahar

Ali Moenck

April Underwood

Ariel Dabora

Renee Tousignant

Iain Meyer-Macaulay

Anaii-Lee Ender

Lina Saigol

Tally Shaaked

Amero Muiny

Eva-Loan Ponton-Pham

Fares Jandali Rifai

Annie Thompson

3. Approval of the Agenda

Lex Gil: Move the point regarding November 10th to after Business Arising.

Add 6.2- Judicial Board Appointment, and 6.3 Loyola Committee appointments.

Kyle Mcloughlin: Seconds.

Bruno Joyal: Moves to approve the agenda.

Sabrina D'Ambra: Seconds.



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Vote: All in favour of approving the agenda: unanimous.

4. Approval of the Minutes and Business Arising

Chairperson: All minutes will be completed by next meeting.

5. Chairperson's Report

Chairperson: A new version of Robert's Rules came out. There are 3 major points to bring to the attention of Council. He will try and use them tonight. POIs are now called a Request for Information. They have the same priority level as before, but it must be a question. Powers of the Chair expanded to deal with the possibility of an unruly Council room. The chairperson can now rule someone out of order, explain why, and continue- this is a public warning. Following this, if they continue to display this type of behaviour they can be penalized for up to 30 minutes and will not be added to the speakers list. In regards to attendance: attendance is now reliant on members being present for no fewer than 1/3 of all votes.

Lex Gil: In terms of leaving meetings, if you have to leave, announce it to the secretary so that it's recorded in the minutes.

6. New business

Judicial board

Cassie Smith: The decision is almost 12 pages long. Councillors were supposed to have received it before the meeting, she is not really sure why they didn't.

Morgan Pudwell: Read the motion that was sent to the JB to all the interested parties at Council last time.

Cassie Smith: That wasn't the final decision, the wording has changed. That was sent out as notification of our decision only. Shouldn't be considered the final decision. The ruling was based on procedure; his conduct was never called into question. As we were leaving the conference room, we found a piece a paper on the floor which was a copy of the financial document. Went to security to see if there was any footage of who left it there, but there was none. There is a possibility that this was left there to influence the JB to take it into consideration.

Lex Gil: Moves to refer the recommendations of JB to Policy Committee.

Simon-Pierre Lauzon: Seconds.

Cameron Monagle: Calls the question.

Vote:

All in favour of calling the question: unanimous.

Vote:

All in favour of the motion as it is currently worded: unanimous.



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The motion is carried.

Tomer Shavit: If tomorrow a nomination form for a 3rd CSU team was found would you resign? One of issues in complaint is that a 7th CV was not considered in the hiring of the CEO. The JB accepted this argument as legitimate. A member on the JB is not impartial. Ceejay and Cassie were advocating for Your Concordia.

Chairperson: Tomer Shavit is making a lot of claims with no factual evidence.

Cassie Smith: It is inappropriate to discuss this complaint in terms of Shavit's personal problems with the decision. These should be discussed after the appeal is filed.

Chad Walcott: Calls for the orders of the day.

Vote: Calling for the orders of the day passes unanimously.

6.3- Judicial Board Appointments

Melissa Fuller: There are 4 applicants, 2 are present.

Kyle Mcloughlin: How many seats are available?

Cassie Smith: Up to 9 (4 presently).

Simon-Pierre Lauzon: Moves to go into closed session.

Michaela Manson: Seconds.

Vote: All in favour of going into closed session: unanimous.

The meeting goes into open session at 7:40 pm.

Kyle Mcloughlin: Moves to only consider JB applicants present at the meeting.

Nadine Atallah: Seconds.

Vote: All in favour of the motion as it is currently worded: unanimous. 1 abstention.

Motion carried.

Shannon Thomas: Sociology undergrad, 4th year, and then education program. Applied because it interests her, loves law and politics. Wants to get involved in university.

Kyle Mcloughlin: How familiar are you with the Bylaws and Standing Regulations, as well as with the JB itself?

Shannon Thomas: Not very familiar.

Cameron Monagle: Are you comfortable with the contentious nature of the position?



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Shannon Thomas: Yes.

Morgan Pudwell: How did you find out about the position?

Shannon Thomas: Received an email (CSU newsletter)

Michaela Manson: Can you give an example of when you had to be neutral in your decision process?

Shannon Thomas: She is a manager for a moving company. In her job, there arise a lot of confrontational situations between staff and clients. She has to make managerial decisions

Lex Gil: Do you know what the CFS is?

Shannon Thomas: No.

Morgan Pudwell: Are you available for short notice and long meetings?

Shannon Thomas: Yes, her schedule is very flexible.

Cameron Monagle: Moves to appoint Shannon Thomas to JB.

Michaela Manson: Seconds.

Vote: All in favour of appointing Shannon Thomas to JB: unanimous. 1 abstention.

Michaela Manson: Appeal for decision of the chair- when orders for day were called there was a vote. This is not something that is typically voted on. She moves to reconsider, proposing to reopen discussion of JB decision.

Melanie Hotchkiss: Seconds.

Vote: All in favour of the motion as it is currently worded: unanimous. 1 abstention.

Morgan Pudwell: Is this so that we can view the documentation given to us by the JB?

Michaela Manson: It's a possibility.

Cassie Smith: It would be good to take a 5 minute recess to read the decision. It's long and nuanced. .

Nadine Atallah: Moves to go to a 5 minute recess to read the document.

Simon-Pierre Lauzon: Seconds.

Simon-Pierre Lauzon: Has read the whole decision, everyone should read it.



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Vote:

All in favour of taking a 5 minute recess: all but Bruno Joyal and Cameron Monagle.
Motion is carried.

Meeting is called to order at 8:07pm.

Cassie Smith: Lets students at large know that they have the right to view the decision. They just have to send email to JB requesting it.

Morgan Pudwell: Moves to go into closed session to review the “blue document”.

Melanie Hotchkiss: Seconds.

Vote:

All in favour of going into closed session: unanimous.

Tomer Shavit: Would anyone mentioned in the documents being looked at be allowed in closed session to defend themselves?

Chairperson: Council will review the documents first.

Meeting goes into open session at 8:50pm.

Chairperson: During closed session Council reviewed a series of correspondences between JB members and the defendant.

Tomer Shavit: I can talk about the correspondences I had with JB.

Irmak Bahar: Is not comfortable discussing things that were discussed in closed session.

Tomer Shavit: Feels he should be able to respond if it's about him. Also feels that people should have been aware of the content of Morgan's email. After the decision was rendered, he sent an emotional email to Cassie (there's no Bylaw against that.) He does believe that one of the JB members is acting in a biased way, and would feel more comfortable if they were not involved in any further proceedings regarding this matter. There will be an appeal. He requests that the member in question recluse themselves from this process.

Cameron Monagle: Calls for the orders of the day.

6.4 Loyola Committee Appointment

Anaii Lee-Ender: Nominates Kaeleigh D'Ermo. She is a Communications and Sociology student well versed in what happens at Loyola.

Irmak Bahar: We don't have any other applicants, and we are comfortable with appointing her even



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though she's not here.

Cameron Monagle: Move to appoint Kayleigh D'Ermo.

Ali Moenck: Seconds.

Vote: All in favour of appointing Kaeleigh D'Ermo to Loyola Committee: unanimous. Kyle Mcloughlin, Eva-Loan Ponton-Pham, Tally Shaaked abstain.

7. Executive Reports- Consent Agenda

Lex Gil: In Academic Caucus section there is a typo.

April Underwood: Draws attention to two unfinished sentences: the first in is Morgan's Bylaw reform packages, the other in Jordan's section.

8. Report from university bodies

AJ West: We have a meeting next week (BOG meeting).

Cameron Monagle: This is an important meeting- asking the university why they kicked us out.

Lex Gil: The Dean of JMSB is now on the CSU "Wall of Shame" for the way he behaved at that meeting. Important for people to know that there was a secret ballot- there is no evidence that any undergrads voted in favour.

AJ West: The CSU hasn't supported the Academic Plan. We don't support Academic plan, also don't think we should have a vote on whether or not it exists.

9. Reports from Committees- Consent Agenda

Laura Glover: Take photos for promo material with moustaches for Movember.

10. Question period and business arising

11. November 10th

Lex Gil: Will you be helping us tomorrow morning at 8 am or at 7 am? We need help. We were planning about the capacity of the terrace to show up, but a lot more people are going to. This is making history.

Chad Walcott: We're on the eve of probably the largest demonstration Concordia has ever participated in. Please be there early and bring all your friends.

Lex Gil: Is really excited and proud to be CSU president during this event. Points out how historic this is. It's not just about tomorrow- it's about the rest of the year and winning against this tuition increase.



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Laura Glover: The whole executive is very proud of Chad.

Ariel Dabora: How has the VP External been communicating that this is going to be a peaceful and fun event?

Chad Walcott: It should be such an event. The demonstrations I've been to for this issue so far have been fun and peaceful. If some people decide they want to act differently there are first aid people and security.

Morgan Pudwell: The idea of having people assigned for security is so that they're aware of the route.

Cameron Monagle: Move to call for the orders of the day.

Bruno Joyal: There is also a risk for some of us who are very passionate about this to crash and be disappointed with immediate effect. This is the first of a series of events against tuition increase.

12. Adjournment

Renee Tousignant: Moves to adjourn.

Iain Meyer-Macaulay: Seconds.

Vote: All in favour of adjourning: unanimous.

Meeting is adjourned at 9:20 pm.