



Concordia Student Union - Council of Representatives  
CSU Special Council Meeting  
Monday, July 12, 2021  
Via Zoom, 19h00

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

The chairperson calls the meeting to order at 19h13.

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**We would like to begin by acknowledging that Concordia University is located on unceded Indigenous lands. The Kanien'kehá:ka Nation is recognized as the custodians of the lands and waters on which we gather today. TiohEá:ke/Montreal is historically known as a gathering place for many First Nations. Today, it is home to a diverse population of Indigenous and other peoples. We respect the continued connections with the past, present, and future in our ongoing relationships with Indigenous and other peoples within the Montreal community.**

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## 2. ROLL CALL

Council Chairperson: Caitlin Robinson

Council Minute Keeper: Michelle Lam

**Executives present for the meeting were:** Eduardo Malorni (General Coordinator), Hannah Jamet-Lange (Academic & Advocacy Coordinator), Malcolm Asselin (Student Life Coordinator), Camina Harrison-Chéry (External Affairs & Mobilization Coordinator), Harrison Kirshner (Internal Affairs Coordinator), Faye Sun (Sustainability Coordinator), S Shivaane (Loyola Coordinator)

**Councilors present for the meeting were:** Ariane Drouin (Gina Cody School of Engineering), Marissa Profetto (Gina Cody School of Engineering), Christopher Vaccarella (Arts & Science), Nathaniel Ouazana (Arts & Science), Ikrame Housni (Arts & Science), Lily Charette (Arts & Science), Brandon Grimaldi (Arts & Science), Lauren Perozek (John Molson School of Business), Emmanuel Gaisie (John Molson School of Business), Calvin Clarke (Arts & Science), Nick Bonneau (John Molson School of Business), Tzvi Hersh Filler (Gina Cody School of

Engineering), Samuel Thibodeau (Fine Arts), Paula Colmenares (Independent), Edel Kilkenny-Mondoux (Arts & Science)

**Executives absent for the meeting were:** Aria Khaksar (Finance Coordinator)

**Councilors absent for the meeting were:** Jeremy Deneault (John Molson School of Business), Noah Mohamed (John Molson School of Business), Olivia Lafreniere (John Molson School of Business), Benjamin Harvey (Arts & Science), Anais Gagnon (Gina Cody School of Engineering), Shania Bramble (Arts & Science), Howard Issley (John Molson School of Business), Nicole Nashen (Arts & Science), Boutaina Chafi (Arts & Science), Sarah Bubenheimer (Arts & Science), Alina Murad (Arts & Science)

### **3. Bylaw 6.3(d) Amendment**

**Hannah Jamet-Lange** presents the following motion. Seconded by **Harrison Kirshner**. Motion passes.

WHEREAS Section 6.3.d of the CSU By-laws states

6.3 The tasks and powers of the Council of Representatives may only be properly exercised in the course of a duly convened meeting of same. In particular, the Council shall do or cause to be done the following:

d. Enact, amend or repeal by-laws, policies, regulations and resolutions which shall be binding on the Student Union, its affiliated organizations, officers, employees, and all others under its authority. Regulations shall be policies of a permanent nature which may only be adopted, amended or rescinded by a two-thirds majority vote of the Council of Representatives at a meeting specifically called for that purpose.

WHEREAS Section 21.2 of the Bylaws states:

21.2 Notwithstanding Section 21.1, amendments may be in force and effect upon approval by a two-thirds majority vote of the Council of Representatives but shall be in force and effect only until the end of the term of office during which they are enacted, unless they have been confirmed by a simple majority of a quorum of the members voting in a referendum.

WHEREAS the CSU Judicial Board interpreted By-Law 6.3.d as meaning all adoptions, amendments or rescindments of regulations may only be done at a Special Council Meeting called only for that one regulation;

WHEREAS this has led to the CSU having to call multiple SCMs in one day in order to make changes to multiple regulations;

WHEREAS this presents both financial and logistical challenges;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of Representatives amend Section 6.3.d of the CSU Bylaws to state

(changes highlighted):

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, in accordance with By-Law 21.2, this By-Law amendment shall be in force and effect only until May 31st, 2022, unless confirmed by a simple majority of a quorum of the members voting in a referendum;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the above-stated amendment to section 6.3.d of the By-Laws be submitted for confirmation by a vote of the members by way of a referendum to be held during the 2021 By-Elections;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the budgetary impact of this motion is nil.

**Hannah Jamet-Lange:** We want to make these changes so that we can call only one SCM for multiple regulations; whereas now we have to call an SCM for each regulation change.

#### **4. ADJOURNMENT**

**Eduardo Malorni** moves to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by **S Shivaane**. Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM.