



Students' Society of McGill University
Association étudiante de l'Université McGill

Office of the Speakers
Bureau de Présidents du Conseil

Motion Regarding Frosh Reform

Whereas, it is the best interest of first-year SSMU members to participate in a social orientation to the McGill community;

Whereas, the SSMU facilitates and finances SSMU Frosh, and can influence Faculty Froshes

Whereas, SSMU Frosh and Faculty Froshes (Frosh) fail in their goal of providing a constructive social orientation to McGill life, as many students are uncomfortable with the excessive consumption of alcohol as well as sexual pressure from their leaders and peers;

Whereas, all of the SSMU's endeavours "shall be undertaken with respect for human dignity and bodily sovereignty" (Constitution VI);

Whereas, many feel that the Frosh culture is degrading towards women and is heteronormative;

Whereas, the SSMU "commits to demonstrating leadership in matters of human rights, social justice, and environmental protection" (Constitution 7);

Whereas, Frosh fails in this goal by encouraging excessive consumption without promoting awareness of the environment and social impact of this consumption;

Whereas, Frosh alienates McGill students from the Montreal community as a whole and other Montreal universities;

Resolved, that the SSMU be mandated to restructure SSMU Frosh model with the understanding that this it currently fails to meet the SSMU's goals,

Resolved, that the SSMU take a leadership role by encouraging faculty associations to transform Faculty Froshes into a safe space for all students.

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