

Resolution Regarding Choose Life's Club Status

WHEREAS the SSMU respects the freedom of speech and expression of our clubs within the parameters of the SSMU Constitution, Bylaws, and policies, and;

WHEREAS the SSMU allows its clubs a high degree of autonomy in their operations, based on the understanding that they will follow the SSMU Constitution, Bylaws, and policies, and;

WHEREAS *the Resolution Regarding Echoes of the Holocaust* was passed overwhelmingly by Council at the meeting of October 1st as a measure to deter the Choose Life club from hosting the aforementioned event, and;

WHEREAS, as Council already affirmed on October 1st, the event that the Choose Life club then proceeded to conduct on October 6th violated the SSMU Constitution and Equity Policy, and;

WHEREAS this action undid the confidence that the SSMU has in Choose Life's intentions to abide by the SSMU's governing documents, and;

WHEREAS Choose Life must work with the SSMU to demonstrate that they can function within our Constitution, Bylaws, and policies;

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that Choose Life's club status, and thus all club privileges thereby conferred be suspended, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SSMU Student Equity Committee, in conjunction with Choose Life, draft a document that shall be adopted by Choose Life that guides Choose Life in how to abide by the SSMU Constitution, Bylaws, and Policies, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Choose Life's club status only be reinstated upon the recommendation of the SSMU Student Equity Committee, thereafter requiring a simple majority vote of SSMU Council to approve that committee's recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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