

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Tuesday, August 11, 2015 NREF 1 001

LATE ADDITIONS (SC 2015-08)

2015-08/1	SPEAKERS BUSINESS
2015-08/1a	Students' Council Survey - Must be completed before August 21st at noon.
2015-08/2	PRESENTATIONS
2015-08/3	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT
2015-08/4	BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT
2015-08/5	QUESTION PERIOD
2015-08/6	BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS
2015-08/6a	Town Halls proposal.
	Please see LA 15-08.01
2015-08/7	GENERAL ORDERS
2015-08/7a	THRONDSON MOVES TO, upon recommendation of Bylaw Committee, approve the following in first reading based on the following first principles:
	An upper limit shall be set on the amount of posters and the amount of banners a candidate for GFC and/or Students' Council may display in any one building.
2015-08/7b	THRONDSON MOVES TO, upon recommendation of Bylaw Committee, approve the following in first reading based on the following first principles:
	Conditions for the use of disqualification shall be made clear in the same section in which other penalties are outlined, instead of in a separate section.
2015-08/7c	BONDARCHUK/DEJONG MOVE TO, upon recommendation of Policy Committee, approve a Political Policy on Gender in first reading based on the following first principles:

- 1. Students deserve equitable treatment regardless of their gender identity and/or biological sex.
- 2. Not all students identify their gender to be within the male-female binary.
- 3. It is not necessary for administrations to require students to disclose their gender and/or biological sex outside of medical reasons.
- 4. Students who do not identify within the male-female gender binary are denied access to gendered spaces on campus.
- 5. Transgender students may feel misgendered or unsafe in gendered spaces on campus.
- 6. Gender non-binary students are excluded from important University documents such as the Code of Student Behaviour when students are referred to as "he or she."
- 7. Existing alternatives to gendered spaces on campus do not have appropriate signage to address their inclusivity.
- 8. Students face barriers to obtaining non-binary living conditions in housing and residence.

2015-08/8 <u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u>

Town Halls Proposal

Through recent conversations with student councillors, many representatives aim to increase student engagement this coming school year. Many of the proposed ideas have involved talking with constituents about their opinions on the most pressing issues on campus and in their specific Faculty. The main idea thrown around has been the idea of Town Halls, as an attempt to host students at a Faculty-specific meeting, present on the Students Council's goals for the year, and listen to their opinions on these issues, as has been done in the past Therefore, this is a proposal to host Town Halls this Fall, with an aim to look at their success and continue hosting them in the future, as well.

Proposed Date: Wednesday, September 9, 2015, 5 PM

Proposal Locations: Various Places for Each Town Hall, TBD by those Councillors

Proposed Town Halls:

- 1. Arts
- 2. Science
- 3. Engineering
- 4. Business
- 5. Education
- 6. ALES + Phys Ed/Rec + Nursing + Open Studies + Native Studies
- 7. Med/Dent + Pharmacy + Law

In an attempt to avoid duplication of governance themes and to keep costs minimal, it has been proposed that Faculties with Faculty Associations that hold Annual General Meetings around the same time would share a Town Hall with their FA, granted they have their own specific Town Hall. This would apply to Science, Engineering, Business, and Education. Talking to FA's would require help from the faculty councillors as well, since many councillors are also involved in their FA's. From what I've heard so far, councillors are willing to do this, and FA's such as ISSS and ESS are generally free to host a shared Town Hall.

The smaller Faculties with only 1 councillor, or a vacant seat, will be combined together into one bigger Town Hall, in an effort to minimize cost and maximize efficiency.

The contents of the Town Hall would include a presentation by the Faculty Councillors on their goals for the upcoming year, a presentation by the FA is the Town Hall is being shared, and an open Question and Answer Period for students present to ask questions to councillors or FA's. Food will be provided for students at the Town Halls. In the bigger Town Hall, which includes

Faculties will vacant seats, we would aim for a presentation on how to run to be held as well, for students from those Faculties that are interested.

Food Cost: Although this can change, I am thinking 25 boxes of pizza in total should work, and given each box of pizza from Domino's would cost around \$7, that would come up to a total of \$175. Given we have \$380 left in our account for CAC, this should be a good budget

Budget: \$175

The only problems I foresee is getting people to come to these Town Halls, which needs to be talked about in a greater conversation within CAC. I would propose we should present this at Clubs Fair and during Week of Welcome, and through advertising throughout campus (SUTV) and social media. If we do get a fair attendance for these Town Halls, especially for those with FA's involved, we can continue with this idea in future years as well. We also need buy-in from all councillors with this idea. As well, we would need to sort out whether or not we can hold Town Halls on our satellite campuses in Faculte St. Jean, and Augastana Campus.