# Minutes from a Meeting of the Concordia Council on Student Life Held on April 5, 2019 Loyola GE-110, 10am

**PRESENT:** Andrew Woodall (Chair), Sabrina Catalogna (Secretary), Jad Abi Semaan, Orenda Boucher-Curotte, Erin Campbell, Amy Caron, Dianne Cmor, Stephanie De Celles, Andrés Diaz (replacing Nedgy Augustin), Lauren Farley, Steve Houde (replacing Darren Dumoulin), Terry Kyle, Anias Loriston (replacing Temi Akin-Aina), Eduardo Malorni, Elaine Cheasley Paterson, Tanya Poletti, D'Arcy Ryan, Andrea Taylor (replacing Laura Mitchell), Alice Wei.

**ABSENT WITH REGRETS:** Nora Amar, Gaya Arasaratnam, Marie-Joseé Allard, Christian Durand, Matthew Fishman, Cassandra Lamontagne, Michele Sandiford, Stephanie Sarik.

**ABSENT:** Boshra Arghavani, Melanie Burnett, Paige Keleher, Hamed Molaei, Anne Whitelaw.

## 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

<u>The Chair stated that in the absence</u> of quorum, the agenda could not be approved and noted a presentation from HOJO was added to the agenda. The Council agreed to continue the meeting, however acknowledged that no formal motions could be voted on.

## 2. REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR

<u>The Chair began the meeting with Con</u>cordia's territorial acknowledgement and welcomed Stephanie De Celles, Registrar, to CCSL. Andrew Woodall provided several updates:

- Student elections, votes had been cast for some of the umbrellas and CSU, GSA, ECA were upcoming. They congratulated all those who ran for office.
- The Indigenous Directions Action Plan report was publicly released.
- Concordia University will be taking part in FUSION, a cross-institutional pilot project initiative in preparing students for the future after graduation with workforce and skill-development, and they will be looking for people to engage in the process.
- The advisory group on equity, diversity, and inclusion would be reaching out to the Concordia community for feedback in order to create an action plan that would address main priorities.
- Three student departments went on strike due to unpaid internships and the Chair commended them for their excellent communication between departments and staff, thus leading to a collective support.

The Chair congratulated students who participated in 5 Days for the Homeless, noting CASA raised over seven thousand dollars for Dans la rue and Chez Doris. They also congratulated the Student Success Centre for another success pop-up again procrastination.

## 3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE MEETING

The minutes from March 15, 2019 could not be approved without quorum.

## 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes of March 15, 2019.

## **5. REPORTS AND ITEMS OF INFORMATION**

## 5.1 Digital Strategy presentation by Paul Fournier

Paul Fournier presented to the Council research and eight strategic projects which were currently being developed as a roadmap towards shaping Concordia into a Next-Gen University. Once the presentation was completed members of the Council thanked Paul Fournier for the presentation. They discussed the strategies noting the importance of understanding how to learn and to be comfortable in digital environment as well as a conversation on digital capabilities.

## **5.2 HOJO presentation by Leanne Ashworth**

Leanne's Ashworth presentation consisted of an overview of HOJO's activities, its annual budget, the Woodnote Housing Cooperative, their new offices and looking at the years ahead. Following the presentation the Chair thanked Leanne Ashworth and opened up the conversation to the Council. Many of the Council members were interested to know more about the Woodnote Housing Cooperative project, from revenues to leases. It was noted that once the housing was built it would be its own entity, HOJO would not be part of the board but rather market the housing. There would be a management company to process the rent and students would need to accept the cooperative by-laws.

## 6. NEW BUSINESS

Andrew Woodall informed the Council of a three-day symposium from April 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> addressing sexual violence which would focus on CEGEPs, Universities and Bill 101. They also mentioned the upcoming Concordia Engagement Awards Night on April 10<sup>th</sup> 2019 at the Loyola Chapel, honouring three awards.

Jad Abi Semaan noted free massages in the library would be offered to students the following Tuesday and Thursday. The services was provided from the library services fund.

## 7. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled for May 3, 2019 at SGW MB 9 CD, 10am.

## 8. TERMINATION OF MEETING

In the absence of quorum, the Council members agreed to terminate the meeting without an approved motion.