

**LSA Council Agenda & Minutes – February 21, 2024**  
**NCDH 102 & [Zoom](#)**

4:30pm - 5:30pm

[Link](#) to last meeting

**Present:** Justine Blanchette-Siroirs, Jean-Sébastien Léger, Jessica Khoury, Sajneet Mangat, Pénélope Labbé, Weeam Ben Rejeb, Liam Dodge,

**Zoom:** Xin Hao Yang, Stephanie Kay, Julius Grippo, Emily Payne, Lucia Quintero, Jacob Shannon, Jessica Li, Khaled Hassoun, Alexia Armstrong, Matthew Boulden

**Permanent regrets:** Emma Bussières, Yasmine Liani, Stefan Davies

**Regrets:** Ian Anderson, Shania Dalila, Sara Sanabria

**Absent:** Chris (GLSA), Leanna Katz, Nada Farag

**Required attendees:** David Brady,

**Call to Order / Appel à l'ordre 4:58pm at quorum**

- 1. Land acknowledgement / Reconnaissance territoriale**
- 2. Adoption of the agenda**
  - a. Justine proposes to modify the agenda to add the motions sent by email to Council
  - b. Seconded by Sajneet
  - c. Passed
  - d. Justine proposes to adopt the agenda as modified
  - e. Seconded by Pénélope
  - f. Amended agenda adopted unanimously
- 3. Adoption of last meeting's minutes**
  - a. Pénélope proposes
  - b. Steph seconds
  - c. Adopted unanimously
- 4. GLSA Members / Membres du GLSA**
  - a. Absent
- 5. Motion to endorse AMPL Strike Support Statement (Justine & Jacob)**
  - a. Justine presents the draft motion & proposes its adoption
  - b. Sajneet seconds

- c. Votes: 16 yesses - adopted unanimously
- 6. Motion to render LSA Council sessions open to LSA members (Justine)**
  - a. Justine presents the draft motion and proposes its adoption
  - b. Jessica Khoury seconds
  - c. Votes: 16 yesses - adopted unanimously
- 7. Other reports / Autres rapports**
  - a. Law Senator**
    - i. Regular senate stuff
    - ii. Student senators put forth two motions and neither was allowed to be presented
      - 1. Uphold New Vic judgment
      - 2. Student representation in committee re tuition hikes
  - b. Faculty Council Representatives**
    - i. Desire to host drop-in for students to consult with FC representatives
    - ii. FC reps have extensive notes on FC meetings, welcome questions
  - c. 1L Presidents**
    - i. Discussing potential session regarding degree planning for 1Ls
  - d. 2L Presidents**
    - i. Nothing to report
  - e. 3L Presidents**
    - i. Absent
  - f. 4L Presidents**
    - i. Absent
- 8. Executive Reports / Rapports de l'exécutif**
  - a. Justine - President**
    - i. Planification électorale
    - ii. Upstairs atrium will be renovated (announced via email yesterday)
    - iii. Fee renewals in next referendum (Thomson House, CDO, MLJ)
    - iv. Still waiting on UQAM for the support letter regarding tuition hikes
  - b. Ian - VP Finance**
    - i. Absent
  - c. Jacob - VP External**
    - i. SSMU person cancelled a meeting?
    - ii. Potential SSMU fee increase
  - d. Khaled - VP Academic**
    - i. French classes: After having read the magnificent LSA Languages report on the use of French at the faculty, Professor Piper decided to turn some English classes that are popular into French only. For example, droit de famille will only be given in French. Some

International law classes too will be potentially turned into French. The plan is to turn certain popular classes into only French, so students are more encouraged to take them.

- ii. Transparency: I have relayed the council's concern about the lack of transparency concerning budget cuts. The SAO stated that when sending out the class schedule, they might include a message about the budget cuts. However, they emphasized that the class schedule will not reflect the current budget cuts as they tried to minimize its effect on students.

**e. Liam - VP Partnerships**

- i. Ongoing partnership projects

**f. Matthew - VP Ongoing Events**

- i. Absent

**g. Penelope - VP Special Events**

- i. Past (successful events): Medlaw & Ski Trip
- ii. Started thinking about Grad Gala

**h. Julius - VP Clubs**

- i. Ongoing matters

**i. Stephanie - VP Communications**

- i. Message on "How to access LSA Council meeting minutes" shared in the Brief this week.

**j. Xin - VP Internal**

- i. SAO Advisory Board recruitment
- ii. Amendment to bylaws

**9. Motion to adjourn the meeting/ Ajournement - 5:31pm**

**Next meeting: March 20th 4:30-5:30**