# EdUS General Council Meeting

[Wednesday, September 21st, 2022]

## Call to Order

#### Attendance

| Attendees | Tianna Kloepfer, Megan Berty, Lili Chen, Anna Leung, Kelly Eden, Gabi Spangenberg, Shawn Wasshermuhl, Bailey Roy, Jessica Talbot, Jessica O’Gorman, Justin Liao, Matthew Diabo, Jessica Tweed, Zainab Khan, Susan Zhang, Maia Mazzone, Chloe Adoutte, Raphael Longo | |
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| Late Attendees | N/A | |
| Regrets | Nattamon Takeo, Audrey Dupuis, Claudia de Felice, Katy Berenbaum | |
| Absent without Regrets | N/A | |
| Non Council | Megan Rost | |

#### Adoption of the Agenda:

Megan Berty, Kelly Eden

#### Approval of the Minutes of the Past Meeting:

Tianna Kloepfer, Shawn Wasshermuhl

## Executive Reports

### President

Extended Nomination Period

* Campaign meeting: Friday, September 30th, time TBA
* Campaign period: October 1st – October 7th
* Elections: October 8th – October 10th

Faculty Council Steering Committee

* I literally cannot go to this meeting. Please if you are available October 5th at 1:30-2:00pm. You just have to approve the agenda for Faculty Council meetings.
  + Lili attending

Grad Photos

* Dates are already open to book grad photos: <https://voltaic.ca/ssmu-mcgill-2022/>
* Circulate this in U4 group chats and add this to the listserv/social media pages.

DISE Motion

* I am working with Tino Bordonaro, Jason Lister, and the EGSS presidents to write a motion that will give EdUS, EGSS, and course lecturers a **voting** seat at DISE meetings.
* We are currently drafting a motion under tenured professor Bronwen Low’s name who will forward this motion for us at DISE meetings.

Education Classes and the B.A.

* Re: VP Academics
  + Program director is already aware (issue was mentioned at the UTEPC meeting)
* Lesson plan assignments in mandatory classes for B.A. students (*EDEM 220: Contemporary Issues in Education, Prof. Sarah Zreim*). How relevant is this to them?
* Students in the B.A. are saying that they do not want to be teachers, so they are arguing about having to complete lesson plans and other “teacher-themed” assignments on the syllabi. Can we bring this concern up to the faculty?

Effective Communication

* I want to make sure I am doing my best to support all of you on council. Moving forward I will do more email check-ins with execs just to touch-base on activities, events, and initiatives they are working on.
* I want the council to be a collaborative work environment. If you feel that you are struggling to complete your portfolio I would rather you come talk to me so we can delegate tasks. It is also okay for you to turn to execs and reps for support to complete tasks.
* Please send me your plans for October by next Monday. If you need more time let me know.
* If there is anything else I can be doing to support you all, please let me know :)

Meeting Time Change?

* Move to an earlier time for October 5th → **6:30pm**
* Meeting without president on October 5th meeting

### VP External

Grilled Cheese Fest

* Went so well!! We had so many people come - lot’s of merch sold and interest in council
* Thank you to everyone who helped out, we appreciate you!!!

Pancake Breakfasts

* We are bringing them back!!!
* First one: Thursday, September 29th from 11am - 2pm
  + Who can help and what times? <https://forms.gle/p8m2Ud91vPouLp5w9>
* Going to be donating the proceeds to - TBD
  + Does anyone have local charities that are near and dear to you?

Socktober

* Clothing drive throughout October
* Collection box at office

### VP Finance

Student Fees

* Working on distributing student fees with SAPEK/MEdUSA

FROSH

* Finalizing Frosh transactions

Notice-to-Reader

* Jonathan Nordland is MIA, hopefully, we get our notice-to-reader for 2022 soon.

Lanyards

* Pricing?
* Will figure out with VP Internals

Card Reader

* Looking into getting one for all our events

### VP Internal

FROSH

* The Post-Frosh Committee meeting happened last night!
* Finances will be dealt with asap sorry I had the flu last week so everything was paused
* Final IOC part 1 happened - part 2 next week … IT'S NEVER OVER!!
  + Made some decisions & holds for next year! (no more Beach Club)
* Just so yall know we have a speaker that was bought for Frosh so for any of your events

Detention Den

* First DD was a success!!
  + Bar managers: Kelly & Gabi. They helped out with ensuring that there is always someone at DD running the show in-person since we are both on stage in the West Island and can’t make it downtown for 5 usually.
* WE ARE BACK IN THE LOUNGE BABY <https://fb.me/e/2NVo5Qpez>
  + Hype the event TF up!!!
  + Finding out the room capacity just in case
  + [Committee meeting](https://docs.google.com/document/d/13YTsrSFoXgYEWMX_LFHdPFO08zb8xwimBiooI9ZeJaY/edit?usp=sharing) happening right before the council meeting so info to come probably (meeting minutes linked)
* There is going to be LOTS of alcohol and grilled cheese stuff living in the office now, please don’t abuse it!! We sell everything at DD at a loss so please go easy on our stock!
* Dates for this year:

| **FALL 2022**  September 28  October 12 (Reading Week)  October 26  November 9  November 23 | **WINTER 2023**  January 18 (TBD bc of MDODEs)  February 1  February 15  March 1 (Reading Week)  March 15  March 29 |
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* If you want to help out without being on committee, DM Bailey or Shawn. It’s not too late for people to join, they just need to meet with the internals or bar managers for training!
* Are we getting a full size fridge? Would be amazing to buy more grilled cheese stuff in bulk.
  + Placement in storage room
  + Anna will look into it
* $1.00 stripe purchases are ridiculous so we made it $10 minimum ($5 min. for e transfers) and we’ll have reusable tickets that can carry over to future DD’s. Otherwise it will be cash and we’ll figure out with Anna how to do deposits to keep us technically cashless.

Other events this semester

* Movember (w/ VP Externals)
  + No date yet
* Christmas party (w/ SAPEK)
  + No date yet
* Power Hour not this semester (tentative February)
* Collab offers from SUS, DESA, etc.
* Message Shawn and Bailey if you have other ideas!

Unrelated

* Can we close the office Sept 30th?
  + Yes, make post
* Re: VP Academics
  + Sick days for stage (non-Covid sickness) and absences?
    - Due date for doctor’s note, number of sick days vs. Covid sick days
  + Death of family members (based on ***who*** passes away)?
  + *Re*: Student Handbook states 2 days absence is allowed without doctor’s note (needed to sign before field experiences), however will bring up to respective departments about fixing this issue for future placements.

### VP Student Wellness

Past Events

* Wellness packages
  + Did super well! We made over 100 and sold out by 2pm on Friday
  + Next time we will make at least double and keep some aside for Monday (FE3 K/Elem’s on stage)
  + We want to order a little basket for the den to keep small things there for people to take what they need (tampons, tea, condoms?, etc.)
    - Collab with Sex and Self, use the Bookshelf for this as well
* Snack and Schedule with us
  + Not successful at all, two people came and they’re both on council (lol)
  + If we do something like that again it will be on a day with less night classes
    - More lunch/day time events for people coming in and out of the building between their classes

Sustainability Committee

* Not many people have signed up, reps please share our google form to your cohort group chats [https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSek7.../viewform...](https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=https%3A%2F%2Fdocs.google.com%2Fforms%2Fd%2Fe%2F1FAIpQLSek7-o04TjspGufsxQ7zK3S4_C0topeVSakVVKBWERAklGHbg%2Fviewform%3Fusp%3Dsf_link%26fbclid%3DIwAR11puu9yhvlxQFNOlS1EQ7zLjYjXLGnmVEjxx2geoy3pjrEJf0Lx37IiGI&h=AT2JrvVgTCA69TK8bCxf0gjJcn_nuyGL3XAADz2iXXVR94tnOfHU5ZkV35iXewQmgoCUotkkadfKq7Pdg6GHuxjKgh7yeHcdVfbcF1yVaHKUFCdBSqWte5mbVTpxZ5ldYMtQjOJttA&__tn__=-UK*F)

October Events

* Mood Board night on Monday, Oct 17, 6-8pm
* Sustainability Bingo
* Give out Cider?
* Fall craft night?
  + We want to keep craft stuff out in the den more

### VP Academic

Motion - PASSED

* Motion Regarding the Addition of a U2 Bachelor of Arts Representative on the EdUS General Council
* Here is the motion link: [Motion Regarding the Addition of a U2 Bachelor of Arts Representative on the EdUS General Council.pdf](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1sIzh9SfKARRTkzIlew7wpgwI5hXb7h4u/view?usp=sharing)
  + Not merging years for the position due to (possible) lack of signature numbers for nomination (trial and error situation to be revisited as the program develops)
  + Lowering required signature numbers from 25 to 15
  + Add clause that higher reps can take over another cohort should there be a lack of representatives/signatures/etc.

EduBuddies

* We placed the links to EduBuddies for the next Listserv.
* Then we will get the pairings done by the end of the month

PedTalks

* We are currently communicating with many professors as per their availability
* The list of potential speakers is the following: Dr. Emmanuel Tabi, Mr. Jason Lister, Dr. Bronwen Low, Dr. Sabrina Jafralie, Mr. Terry Price, Dr. Hannah Chestnutt
* Online conferences are more ideal (recorded and available afterwards)

UTEPC Meeting of September 21st, 2022

* B.Ed. and MATL: Enrollment numbers

| 128 K/Elem  78 Secondary | 31 TESL  34 Global Ed |
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* ELPT testing
  + Pearson/Oral test to be done by the School of Continuing Studies
  + Exemptions for people who went to English CEGEP/Secondary school
  + Didn’t mention other English speaking places (other provinces, UK, USA, etc.)
* Changes to FE1 – ISA
  + They will make it so that student teachers are with CTs for 1 week before switching to another CT
  + Potentially inviting different school boards to McGill for a ‘workshop’-type gathering to establish a more collaborative process between university standards and the host schools (setting more consistent regulations)
  + Re: Standardized grading rubric (undergraduate vs. Master’s are the same), expectations, etc. from the Supervisors
  + Bringing up to UTEPC

### VP Communications

Merch

* Placed a nice merch order which will be arriving within the next few weeks
* We will probably not be there for receive the order (as we’re both in stage) so we’ll message whoever has office hours to meet Lindsay (merch lady) at the Ed building
* We ordered crewnecks (navy), hoodies, some sweatpants (limited sizes) and rugby shirts (these might only be arriving in April lol)
* If you have office hours and students are asking for merch, please refer them to the website where they can find the link to our store front and they can then order literally whatever they want shipped to their house
* Bucket hats for the spring
* For council members: 1 standard merch item for everyone, 1 of choice
  + Will send catalog from Lindsay so we can see

Website

* Still waiting for the majority of you to fill out the Google form… please do it asap so we can modify the 2022-2023 council page
* We will probably not be adding a photo to every single merch item that we sell on the website because there’s no need. There are 2 headers that tell students to go to the office before purchasing merchandise with the Buystripe…
* Re: Equity commissioners
  + Is there anything else you would like for us to add in the resource section? Message us!
* Re: VP Internals and VP Externals
  + We want to add a calendar to the website so if you all have your event dates finalized send them to us please!

Instagram

* If there is something that you would like to be posted in the middle of the day, chances are that won’t be realistic!
* We’re debating about giving some/all execs the IG login but not sure if it’s smart… we still need to decide

EduBuddies

* Re VP Academic:
  + Never got a buddy, end of September the pairs will be coming out

### Executive Administrator

Nomination period

* Please help me get to 100 signatures by September 30th! Appreciate it!
* <https://forms.gle/Te6HZWBffsxnwTcg9>

Office

* Messaged the building manager to make sure our garbage gets taken out regularly
* If you use the space to prep/for your events, make sure to clean up after yourselves (including putting things back to the storage room, tidying scrap pieces, etc.)
  + Office is small enough as it is, it’s a shared space, we don’t need more pile up
* Organizing it this Thursday

Lockers

* Going through all the lockers and fixing the mess (tomorrow)
* Having someone come in to cut all old/unusable locks soon (date/time TBD)

## General Reports

### Equity Commissioner(s)

Annual “We Will Walk Together” Event

* This year’s theme: Education is the Key to Reconciliation
  + Time & Date: September 30, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (TENTATIVE)
  + Location: Public Learning Space in Education Library
* Everyone is invited to the event!

FEEDIC, DEDIC, & DISC Committees

* The first meeting with FEEDIC will happen in the beginning of October.

Committees

* IRP Committee
  + We put out the recruiting information in last week’s Listserv. However, we have not yet received any applications.
  + Are there any candidate suggestions?
  + Add a link/post explaining what IRP is, what it entails, how to join, etc.

### U1 K/Elem Rep

*N/A [Position unfilled]*

### U1 Secondary Rep

*N/A [Position unfilled]*

### U2 K/Elem Rep

*N/A [Position unfilled]*

### U2 Secondary Rep

*N/A [Position unfilled]*

### U3 K/Elem Rep

Nothing to report.

### U3 Secondary Rep

Nothing to report.

### U4 K/Elem Rep

Nothing to report.

### U4 Secondary Rep

*N/A [Position unfilled]*

### TESL Rep U1 & U2

*N/A [Position unfilled]*

### TESL Rep U3 & U4

Nothing to report.

### SAPEK Rep

Apartment Crawl

* October 1st, 2022
* DM Jess if you’d like to join a team

VP External Position

* Currently no one is running for VP External so there’s a very good chance I will still be coming to these meetings lol

### MEdUSA Rep

Greetings!

* Bridging the gap between MEdUSA and EdUS

### SSMU Rep

*N/A [Position unfilled]*

### Senator

*N/A [Position unfilled]*

### Speaker

Nothing to report.

## Closing

#### New Business

Motion Amended

* [[AMENDED] Motion Regarding the Addition of a U2 Bachelor of Arts Representative on the EdUS General Council.pdf](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hXpIXl-baXdMZJbcn2dwhDFoNpJNlyDN/view?usp=sharing)
* Vote for approval:

| Yes: Everyone (17) | No: None | Abstain: None |
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* To be added to referendum

#### Next General Meeting

Wednesday, October 5th, 2022 @ 6:30pm

#### Adjournment

Lili Chen, Jessica Talbot