



AMS Assembly Minutes
Thursday, November 7, 2019
MacDonald Hall, Room 001

Minutes are tentative until approved by Assembly

The meeting was convened at 18:36 EST.

Motion #1: Moved by: AMS President Pierce, seconded by: AMS VP-OPS Dahanayake.

Motion for the AMS Assembly to approve the agenda for the meeting of November 7, 2019.

No changes to the agenda.

No debate, vote proceeds.

FOR: Unanimous

AGAINST: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Motion carries.

Motion #2: Moved by: AMS President Pierce, seconded by: AMS VP-OPS Dahanayake.

Motion for the AMS Assembly to approve the minutes of October 15, 2019 AMS Assembly.

No changes to the minutes.

No debate, vote proceeds.

FOR: Unanimous

AGAINST: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Motion carries.

Speakers Business

Speaker Maule: *Land recognition statement was read.* We do a territory acknowledgement before every Assembly. It recognizes the colonial structures that to today are still in place. I don't want it to be a token phrase that we say every time. I want us to ask questions about what privileges we enjoy today and how we can appreciate the land that Queen's sits on. I want to remind everyone to just be respectful and to be present. I'm not going to talk too much. We currently do not have Secretary Borchenko here, and therefore no Secretary at Assembly tonight. He has been diagnosed with a concussion and will be out of commission. I want to wish him a speedy recovery. The training wheels are now off for me so hopefully there will be no hiccups. I'm not going to say too much. This is a really busy time of year with assignments and projects and exams. I want to make sure you're all taking care of your health, both physical and mental. Please take time for yourself. Use Queen's Student Wellness Services and EmpowerMe if you need it. Don't forget about physical health as well because it's all connected. This includes eating well and setting time off for exercise. I know you guys are busy and hard working so please take time for yourself.

President's Report

AMS President Pierce: I have nothing to add to report other than the fact that I would announce the numbers from the AMS and Students for Students partnership. This was to raise money for those affected by OSAP. With combined efforts from the AMS, students, faculty, and staff who donated, we raised approximately \$3,000 dollars for the bursary fund. This may be adjusted as the University Provost will be donating as well. I welcome any questions you guys have.

NSS President Kruizinga: I just had a question sort of related to the Student Choice Initiative. Are there any confirmed numbers on how many students accessed the AMS membership bursary fund?

AMS President Pierce: No, not yet. However, the deadline closed on October 31 and I will report them if I'm able to in Assembly if possible. But I'm not sure due to privacy issues so I will speak to Assembly if there isn't a problem.

AMS Vice President's Report

AMS VP-OPS Dahanayake: I wanted to tell everyone that this Saturday is the craft beer fest at TAPS. For \$10, you can receive some craft beer samples. There are roughly seven vendors in attendance and the actual people from the vendor companies will be coming in. So you can ask them questions about the craft, if you are a connoisseur. CoGro is doing a collaboration with drinks so it'll be fun and just so you all are aware. I also emailed all faculty societies on the Take One, Leave One bins in collaboration with Queen's Period. I touched briefly about this on the report but it is now in full swing. Just wanted to give you guys a clue on what the campaign is and what I plan to do in the future. It is technically two projects or more two fold - the Take One, Leave One bins, for one. These bins initiate a culture of caring and awareness for peers who menstruate. We will talk about the accessibility of period products and the stigma surrounding it. The bins are currently in female/gender neutral washrooms in the JDUC and the Queen's Centre. It's kind of like a Take a Penny, Give a Penny but with pads and tampons. Within the first day, it's been self-sustaining which is pretty cool. Queen's Period and I have also been doing period

drives this entire week. Internally in the services, they've been competing on who can raise the most pads and tampons. We will use the stock to stock the bins in the washrooms. However, ideally they will be more self-sustaining. I know as someone who lives in the JDUC that I'm excited to see them get used and help people. The functional purpose of the bins is for those who are in a pinch for a product. If your period catches you off-guard, or if it's heavier than they planned for, it's a bit of a catch all in case someone forgets their products at home. The second thing or part of the project is a survey about it. This is a topic that hasn't been talked about enough. This survey is to gage the culture and thoughts on campus for period product accessibility and stigma. The purpose is to understand what Queen's students want for themselves and their peers. Whether students have sacrificed food or rent or viewed period products as a luxury or non-luxury or if they had to miss academic or work requirement because of their period. This is the data they are collecting and is part of the research they are doing right now. This will help us figure out what we should advocate for to the government in relation to period accessibility and stigma. We will also be meeting with the Provost and DSA. We will also be getting in contact about other high traffic buildings and that's all! Happy to take any questions.

AMS VP-UA Greene: *AMS VP-UA Greene not present*

Board of Director's Report

Chairperson Tharp: I hope that the beginning of November is treating everyone well, and you're all continuing to get enough sleep. There are no major updates from the board currently; there have been a few internal updates, but nothing of note. CSGM is coming up at the end of the month, and there will be a major update from the Vice-President (Operations) about the status of the services, and an update from each of the committee chairs. If you have any questions about CSGM, what it is, and what will be discussed I welcome you to send me an email and I'm happy to answer any questions. Specifics are also discussed in the AMS by-laws!

Undergraduate Student Trustee's Report

Trustee Macintyre: Nothing to add to my report.

Student Senator's Report

Chairperson Niddam-Dent: Don't have much to add. It was nice at the Senate meeting to get the Provost to admit that they screwed up regarding the sexual violence policy. Hopefully, this process will improve in the future. We are still waiting to see how it'll be implemented in the future. At senate, we will also start pushing fall term break and how it will be decided moving forward. There is no specific approach we will suggest but if anyone has any thoughts in general or if any one has anything they want, please reach out so I can bring it to Senate.

Rector's Report

Rector Da Silva: First of all, I would like to apologize. I will stay sitting because I have a bit to go through. It has been very busy and if you have any questions, please let me know. The

university has started a working group to review the daycares on campus. There are currently two daycares run by Queen's - one on main and one on west. We want to assess the accessibility of that, the resources required, the membership such as who's dropping people off, and other factors. We want to see it be run better than it currently is. There will be thorough student consultation for that. This is particularly for graduate students but I will share as soon as we get in consultation. Anyone with any feedback can attend these consultation sessions later. I've also been working on a centralized resource tool. This is very exciting as we're hiring a SWEP summer student to work on it. This will probably be a geography student as we will need help with GIS mapping, which is geographic information systems. They will work behind the scenes to ensure accuracy and easy use for students and that they are getting the resources they need to support the Queen's community and surrounding areas. Earlier this week, I went to Advocacy Day at Queen's Park with the administration. There were some other AMS members at the evening reception. I had the pleasure of attending meetings with people regarding topics such as mental health, and the Student Choice Initiative, particularly regarding enrollment corridors. These are things that limit enrollment from above and below and can lead to the university capitalizing off of international student tuition. We were asking if that corridor moving forward could be more flexible. We met with the Minister and there might be some more flexibility, but we're unsure. The advocacy meetings were happening today so I was unable to make it but he indicated that will be an open conversation later. This is a great sign for international students and for our university's integrity. I also met with the Alcohol Working Group. The Co-Chair and I chatted a strategy subcommittee that discussed what we are doing on campus to tackle binge drinking in terms of inclusion, international students, sexual violence, and different areas of campus. This was the first conversation today but hopefully will turn into something bigger. We also talked about the sexual violence policy. There have been a number of conversations about it that indicate that this policy isn't an isolated problem. When we have conversations about it, it's clear that the policy is not the only thing that was wrong with the culture surrounding sexual violence and prevention. There was a researched approach in 2015 that came from the Alcohol Working Group that provided Queen's specific recommendations, however, it was put on a bookshelf and left to dust. We've now taken it off the bookshelf and are exploring what it could look like. The Principal's installation is on Tuesday, if anyone wants to see him officially become Principal after he unofficially became Principal a few months ago. Finally, following the Chown Hall incident, I've gotten a few questions. My office didn't release a statement following the incident. In lieu of that, I've directed everyone to Kandice Baptiste, an Indigenous queer woman who is the director of Four Directions Aboriginal Student Centre, and her statement. I didn't feel like I needed to take up space there, and thought she did it more effectively. If there are any questions on that decision, I can chat about it. Finally, I've been discussing longer term action with the university administration. There's nothing that we as a campus can do to eliminate hate, as frustrating and exhausting as it is. What we can do is help those who are disproportionately targeted. I was afraid it would be more short term and reactionary actions, however, this situation has started conversations about this topic. I've also helped to connect the principal with folks that can lead longer term conversations about making space for Indigenous and LGBTQ+ people on campus. If you have any questions about any of these items, please let me know.

Statements by Students

NSS President Kruizinga: Two things: we've recently introduced and hired a new position which is an Interprofessional Commissioner. Any faculty societies who want to hire a similar position or are looking to collaborate between faculty societies, please contact myself or them for more information. I also have my intern here, Fran, so if we could welcome her to her first Assembly, and hopefully not her last one. Hope everyone's week 9 is going well.

COMPSA VP Anand: I wanted to welcome our newest member who was elected recently, VP-SA Caitlin Ying, who filled a vacant position on the COMPSA executive.

No further debate.

Question Period

No questions asked.

Business Arising from the Minutes

Motion #3: Moved by: Commissioner Henriques, seconded by: AMS VP-UA Greene.

Motion for the AMS Assembly to ratify Mitchell Sanders as Coordinator, Darcey Pearson as Leadership Director, Leigh Well as Logistics Director, Mackenzie Pierce as Systems and Support, and Julian Mattachione as Concert director to the Orientation Roundtable for the 2019-2020 year.

Director Schrempf: Congratulations on your position. What has been your favourite moment with O-Week in the last few years?

Member-at-Large Pearson: The boat cruise during NEWTS week.

Member-at-Large Pierce: The tanning ceremony.

Member-at-Large Wells: Learning the year dance with everyone.

Member-at-Large Sanders: Joining in the Welcome Forum.

Member-at-Large Mattachione: Welcome Forum.

PHEKSA President Otter: Just wondering if you guys had one defining moment or experience that inspired you to join ORT?

Member-at-Large Sanders: I think being a part of the Welcome Forum and working behind the scenes. I worked in Operations with ASUS Orientation and saw ORT doing their work. It was fascinating seeing them do their work.

Member-at-Large Pearson: I think speaking with Queen's students in my case such as the international students and exchange students and caring about their experience after O-Week was an influence in me getting involved.

Member-at-Large Pierce: Just appreciated the mentorship created through O-Week. The leaders were supportive and I wanted to continue that on and improve Orientation Week.

Member-at-Large Wells: When I was on NOC, it was cool to see all changes we were able to make. I also thought that ORT was a good opportunity to do a similar thing on larger scale.

Member-at-Large Mattachione: It was great seeing all the leaders throw themselves into all their events.

ENGSOC President Benoit: Can you guys tell me how you will advocate fairly for all orientation weeks and not just the one you just run?

Member-at-Large Sanders: I think just trying our best to have ORT from different faculties will help to bring in different ideas and a more holistic approach to Orientation Week. I think also consulting with previous orientation heads and leaders to gain their knowledge and lived experiences.

Member-at-Large Wells: I think something that will help is my experience on NOC. There were a lot of interfaculty events and we got to experience events with other faculties other than our own. This would also look like bridging all the other faculties that haven't joined but still want to participate in events.

Member-at-Large Pierce: Just having open communication between faculties at roundtable, which includes being transparent and answering all questions.

Member-at-Large Pearson: Being a NEWTS Coordinator helped me get experience with students of all faculties since it doesn't encompass one faculty. It's interdisciplinary, which I can take this into my position.

Member-at-Large Mattachione: Having open and consistent discourse with all faculties and administration.

No further debate, vote proceeds.

FOR: Unanimous

AGAINST: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Motion carries.

New Business

No new business.

Discussion Period

Signature requirements for Referenda, and AMS Elections

AMS President Pierce: I just wanted to introduce this topic. I spoke about it at President's Caucus but one of the goals for our team spoken about during the AMS Elections was accessible reform in the way that elections were run and the requirements to get involved. Currently, AMS executive campaigners have to collect 2% of signatures from all AMS members, which is 320 signatures. This can be a barrier for people as it is a time consuming process. These signatures

have to be written by hand during a short amount of time, therefore, this can possess a huge burden on the team. We are asking as many people as possible for consultation on this and brought this forward to hear thoughts from Assembly members. Hopefully we will have more debate to ensure that elections are accessible as possible while keeping them competitive.

ENGSOV VP Kasim: I had two questions. 1) Has this topic in any way risen because of the AMS membership fee changes? 2) I am personally a strong believer in some sort of system for nominations. They are an important step in the campaign process. The current process needs to be revamped, but something needs to be put in place in general to filter candidates.

AMS President Pierce: No not at all regarding the membership fees. However, for the rest, that's a good point. I think that we've been going back and forth but considering there is a dollar amount attached to campaigning, agreed, there should be some sort of requirement. Those are my two cents.

ENGSOV Representative Cook: Is this format being changed only for elections or will it also be for fee referendum questions? If so, why is this only changed for elections?

AMS President Pierce: What are people's thoughts on it? With elections teams, it is a narrow window to get those signatures. This is not the case for clubs or things for fee slate since they have a longer period. Another thing to consider is to keep the threshold higher on clubs since more people able to help out and they have longer. When there is a financial burden on students such as a fee slate, we should consider a lot to pass them for referendum.

ASUS President Perkins: Some thoughts on signatures is specifically for ASUS, we just recently decided to get rid of signatures in the nomination process. This is something that ASUS has been working on since winter. It had nothing to do with changes due to the Student Choice Initiative or a change in membership. It was based on concerns pertaining to accessibility. The person has to physically go around and collect signatures. For some candidates, that can be a barrier. For the AMS nomination, anyone on the campaign team can collect signatures but for ASUS nominations, it has to be the candidates who personally go to collect the signatures. I think it's a barrier so we voted to get rid of it. No ASUS candidate will have to collect signatures again. Another thing to consider with signatures is that since you do have to collect during the nomination period, you can't talk to students about your campaign or platform or anything since you would technically be breaking elections policy. At least for ASUS, that's the way it is, but I'm not sure about other faculty society campaign rules. For us personally, it took a lot of time collecting signatures when we could've spent that on our platform or meeting with people who could help us form our policy. It's not an accessible thing to require students to do and is a redundant thing. We agree, there should be an incentive for running so we are changing our policy for candidates to submit a letter of intent to the governance officer who oversees the elections. So we are no longer doing signatures for a couple of very good reasons.

PHEKSA Rep Rickard: But you said previously that the people had to be a member of the AMS in order to vote. Have you given thought with the Student Choice Initiative if people opted out, would you have to go through signatures to verify that they are members or would it be a breach of privacy?

AMS President Pierce: These are good questions. We've always done that in terms of checking signatures. That hasn't changed. There have been instances before where people have lied so all emails, names and student numbers are all checked by the elections team. Everything's locked

down with the lists and I think it's the same for faculty societies so no that doesn't change. It's a time consuming process but not a barrier as to why we're changing at all. Just another comment - one of the concerns surrounding the elimination of the lists was because the nominated teams each get \$800. This money could be spent on food or materials needed to run executive campaigns, however, the candidates only got reimbursed if they received 10% of the vote threshold in three way race or more. This raises another concern about accessibility. We want to provide that money to the candidates upfront so there is no barrier. Without the \$800, it would've been difficult to personally support the campaign.

COMPSA President Boateng: I agree with the accessibility reasons with going through these changes however, there needs to be something of a filter with elections. Some societies are doing online signatures. I think there needs to be something in a situation where there is a team that is in an uncontested position. They can just choose to run and not do any campaigning since they are the only people for the position. That doesn't sit well with me and is my opinion on the situation.

NSS President Kruizinga: I think I agree with a lot of the sentiments spoken about. There needs to be a document that goes through the reason why teams are running, a couple of goal statements, what they want to achieve, why they're campaigning, any intent, just to show that there has been thought into why they're running. If it can outline what they hope to accomplish and maybe even include signatures, if the inaccessibility factor can be removed by doing it online. If the reasons are that it takes a long time, or that it's a barrier for students, if we do it online, that would be easier for the teams running. Those are some of my thoughts on that.

ENGSOCC Representative Arpin: Have you considered moving the signature process online? It would be an easier way to remove the work with getting signatures and make it easier to check the signatures too.

AMS President Pierce: That's definitely something we've been thinking about but we just wanted to hear everyone's thoughts, have another discussion and debate on how we move forward. Good point.

COMPSA President Boateng: I'm a huge supporter of an online signature system, However, have you thought of the dangers of that is that it could be easy to fake signatures, especially if someone is really good at calligraphy?

AMS VP-OPS Dahanayake: Just a point for that is that the same could be said for written ones. I think though that with the student number, it may prevent this since you can cross reference that. Especially if it's online, it'll be easily exportable and we'll be able to track changes.

AMS President Pierce: I am personally in favour of an online system. It actually mitigates some concerns about privacy because then you don't have candidates running around with lots of student numbers in the hands. We would be verifying the student signatures anyway.

Chairperson Niddam-Dent: We proposed the online signatures at ASUS last year before we got rid of them. The Google form actually didn't go to candidates, it went to the elections office, and therefore, the teams wouldn't have any editing control. They had a view only control that allowed them to see how many votes but using that Google form system might mitigate concerns regarding the manipulability of results.

Representative Arpin: I know this wasn't brought up because with the membership, have you given any thought about how you're going to help candidates know if the students have paid their

membership fees. Since the amount is 15% of our student body, for all we know, some students are unaware that they aren't a member. This can lead to candidates thinking that they have signatures but don't.

AMS President Pierce: Yes, I understand the concern. The membership clause technically hasn't changed - it has always been the case that you have to be a member to vote, however, due to the Student Choice Initiative, it is no longer mandatory to pay the membership fee. Therefore, there are more people now who have opted out. We will check the list and always have encouraged people to get higher than the threshold to prevent not getting enough signatures. This also prevents issues like inputting the wrong student number. Hopefully, this is not the case but thank you for your concern.

COMPSA President Boateng: I may have missed this. Are you guys thinking of reducing the signatures required?

AMS President Pierce: We are not sure, we're just here to have a discussion and hear people's thoughts. We could go to online signatures or eliminate signatures overall.

COMPSA President Boateng: It's quite easy for people to ignore a link than a sheet of paper, but that might be something you want to do.

AMS VP-OPS Dahanayake: I think we should think about the benefits of the flexibility of online program, and what the possibility it could be. Would it be surname, name, student number, and email? We could instantaneously check with a database to check if they are a member or not.

COMPSA VP Anand: What we do is in case there are signatures that don't work, we allow for an error margin of 10%. As long as the intent is shown that they didn't intentionally try to do anything, then if there are few people who are not members, it will not impact the candidacy.

AMS President Pierce: Good comment. All faculty societies also have membership requirements and so far, after all of the elections this year, there have been no concerns brought up about people not being on the list.

Commissioner Equity PHEKSA: If this was treated similarly to a vote, we could use an external program and that might eliminate some of the problems that have been spoken of.

AMS President Pierce: I think single sign-on is do-able.

NSS President Kruizinga: Going back to COMPSA President Boateng's point. If it's already 2%, then wouldn't that fluctuate based on the 16%? Has there ever been any instances where teams haven't been able to run because of signatures?

AMS President Pierce: Yes, this is written in the by-laws as well. As for the other thing, I'm sure that it's happened but I can't say off the top of my head.

ENGSOE President Benoit: Maybe I missed this but is the merit here to have this implemented for this upcoming election season?

AMS President Pierce: Yes.

ASUS VP Chaudhury: Something else to think about is not just signatures. ASUS's perspective for why we wanted to get rid of the signatures in the first place is that during the campaign, you aren't allowed to talk about your platform. So when I went around collecting signatures, most

students signed randomly and didn't know what I was running on. There was also hesitancy to sign for those reasons. If we can think about how we can change elections such as a letter of intent goals and or having the platform of candidates on some central website, this would make it more accessible for all students rather than having students approach others with a clipboard.

AMS President Pierce: The letter of intent and platform ideas are currently being used as the candidates have to upload their platforms 24 hours before the debate. But those are good points.

JDUC Update

Member-at-large Draeger: Hi I'm Chloe, the Special Projects Officer and I will be presenting this evening on the JDUC redevelopment. This presentation should take 15-20 minutes and then we'll move over to opening up to everyone. Before we go into the discussion, we'll be going over the history of the JDUC to have a common frame of reference. The site was an orphanage in purchased by Queen's in 1927 to serve as the Students' Memorial Union, to commemorate Queen's students who were lost in World War I. In 1947, it was burned to the ground, however some furniture remains and currently sits in the memorial room, just behind the SLC desk. In 1964, they built the ceilidh, graduate residence, and the courtyard between the JDUC and Mitchell Hall. In 1974, they then expanded to fit the increase in student enrollment. This included the development of the Tricolour Outlet, and the Underground. It was renamed after John Deutsch after he died in 1976. The crest over Union St doors has remained intact and also the large plaque in the staircase. This was the last expansion where there were only 10,000 students in total. Now, we have 25,000 students but we've had the same student life centre since then. Our student life has been definitely been constrained by a deficiency of space. In 2001, Principal Bill Leggett brought up a new idea to consider an expansion. A building report was made that outlined the new objectives of a new Queen's centre. This was a three phase Queen's Centre that would be built in 2005 at a student fee of \$70 a year. In 2011, the fee was suspended when the Queen's Centre project was cancelled. A completed Queen's Centre was envisioned including a field house, rinks, and having the JDUC be built into a modern student centre. Phase 1 was completed, and is currently what we know as the ARC but it is only a section of what was originally envisioned. The Queen's Centre project collapsed under the 2008 financial crisis. You can see Principal Hitchcock breaking grounds. It was cancelled due to unachievable fundraising targets. Phase 1 was chosen because of Queen's students. I was actually one of the last students to work out in PEC before the ARC opened. You can still see the promise unfulfilled and the scars on campus that we still have today as a result of the cancelled project. The old PEC building was eventually developed and ultimately christened Mitchell Hall. The residual student contribution was converted into 1.2 million dollar fund used to revitalize the existing JDUC. After spirited discussions, a series of renovations were completed including the walkway through ceilidh and a skylight to bring light into the lower areas. There were lukewarm reviews at the time however, these are now seen as worthwhile investments as these renovations will not be revisited with this new renovation. Queen's wants to take a leading role in not just retrofitting but reimagining conceptual designs of the JDUC, jointly with the university and the SGPS. They proposed a new redesign and a \$89 student fee. This failed referendum and in the feedback surveys, it was indicated that the fee request was too high and it wasn't clear how the JDUC would benefit students, which was fair. The SGPS fee passed and the university was still on table so it wouldn't be tenable to leave. It would also be unfair to the partners and also saddle future generations of students with a broken JDUC. So we went back to the drawing board, brought in

new team of architects and conducted thorough consultations. These were the most extensive so far and it captures thousands of conversations with services, leaders, and average students. This provided more detailed information on what students wanted to see in a JDUC. This past January presented the current vision for a more vibrant JDUC. It won over 52% of undergraduate vote, and was more successful than previous years. Also, it was more financially accessible than previous years, as the student fee would only be \$40 in first year and there would be bursary funding for 500-1000 students who are experiencing the greatest financial need. We don't want the burden to fall on those who are the least able to fund them. The reality is that all student centres are comparable in recent years and they've all been funded by students with fees that are \$100 a year, or fees that last 60 years. In our case, the fee is \$40 and lasts only for 25 years. In March, the university trustees gave their approval to go forward with the project. I believe the plans have improved since the January referendum so I'm excited to get into it. I'll broadly talk about priorities and then we'll open up for conversation at the end. First of all, a few problems with the current JDUC are that it's inaccessible. For anyone with physical needs or relies on mobility device, it can be difficult to enter the JDUC. We expect better, will create at grade entrances from every direction. There will also be three times as many public elevators as there currently are available. We're applying an accessibility lens to every service, common space, restroom, and corridor. Hopefully through this, we'll be able to unlock more of the historical building. The second problem is sustainability. As we announced in the Queen's Journal, the JDUC project targets LEED gold certification. This will place it at the cutting edge of environmental stewardship. There are too many initiatives to list them all however we previously revealed the advanced energy modelling, passive heating and cooling, natural materials, and restoration of tree canopies in public areas, and a new active transportation hub. The new JDUC will be anchored by the building that currently stands between the ARC and the JDUC. This will also be the new Bikes and Boards shop and storage. The area between the ARC and the JDUC will become a public concourse and will be removed from traffic. Deliveries will no longer come through there but through an expansion of the current ARC tunnel system. Old conceptual renderings from 2018 showing a zinc plating model of the JDUC which has been called ugly in feedback that I've read. I don't totally agree but the feedback seemed to say that the design did not match the campus aesthetic. The present design will include masonry that will provide the limestone colour and look without the limestone cost. It will create something that is humane, functional and beautiful as the JDUC will serve kind of as a gateway to campus. It will include vibrant public seating along the exterior, relocate the active transportation hub, and move the bike racks on the right side of that photo. Currently, we can look at the data and imagine all possibilities: all of this information is taken from the most recent draft of the JDUC floor plans from last week. The total footprint of the AMS offices will be 350 square metres. This is the AMS doing more with less. The layout will be more efficient than current layout as our computers are significantly less thick than they used to be. The wellness area will be 350 square metres. This will house Student Wellness Services, the Peer Support Centre, SGPS advisors and shared group session spaces. The total footprint of the AMS services will remain the same but will be allocated differently. There will be a more compact Tricolour Outlet and a larger Queen's Pub with an attached patio and an improved kitchen. There will be two sizes of club space. The smaller rooms could house one or two clubs whereas the larger ones would share 20 or more clubs, similarly to how it currently is in the Queen's Centre. The balance will shift to more individual rooms that will range between 270 to 330 square metres. There will also be four shared spaces, totalling 200 square metres. You can compare this to the current 10 club spaces in

the JDUC. It is more efficient club space. There will be two types of bookable meeting spaces that will have a separate primary function. This agora will primarily serve as a place to use for conferences, performances, debates, maybe even another wedding? There will always be bookable rooms, ranging from up to 6 people to Wallace Hall. Also, the use of barriers and retractable walls will allow for more versatile and customizable rooms. Before I conclude, I'd like to bring your attention to changes since January's draft plans. I briefly mentioned before but the red garage will be incorporated to anchor a new transportation hub. The permanent offices of the Queen's Journal will be redistributed to Queen's Centre. This means that the Journal will not move into their new offices until they've been renovated and has that timeline. Luckily, they have a crumbling building on their own to stay in until then. For enhanced confidentiality, the wellness hub has been relocated to the top floor of the building, switching places with the Student Experience Office, StudioQ and the P&CC will be located adjacently. The Queen's Pub in the upper ceiling will be moved which will free up space for study pods, retail tenants, and bookable meeting rooms. Construction will begin in May 2021 and last for 22 months. So currently, we have 18 months left until ground breaks. The government side of the AMS will function as it does right now but will just have to adjust to a different space. This is fortunate as it will be at the beginning of a summer semester so it will help with getting bearings. A lot of the administration services and space will be moved to St. Mary's, which will free up administrative space on campus to accommodate the AMS, SGPS, and other AMS services. Other services like Walkhome, Student Constables, and the PSC will continue with no significant interruptions and will use space in Queen's Centre to ensure accessibility. I am optimistic that most commercial services will continue albeit in a streamlined or truncated format. The finer details with how it will format will depend on what products and services do students want to see offered? How do we use the space? How do we allocate these spaces in a way that's fair, equitable and consistent? We want to make sure that they are used fairly and effectively. Another that I didn't mention is that this is possible with plenty of research and we want to build something we're truly proud of, even 5-10 years or 20 years after we leave and graduate, we want to be proud of our JDUC, and not just when it first opens. Please feel free to email me with any questions or concerns and I will follow up individually.

AMS President Pierce: Some of the things spoken to are really important. Even though the JDUC is where the AMS is housed, we want to make it a place and organization that advocates for everybody. That thinking is why we reduced so much of the AMS space in the JDUC. It's important to us, although I think we should be front and centre, to give up as much space as possible for people who use the space the most. This opened up the space for places to study, people to aggregate, especially the agora, which is the wood structure that I hope helps a lot of people and problems. There aren't a lot of spaces to socialize and communicate on campus, which nowadays is in people's houses or at pubs off campus. The JDUC provides a lot of that. Clubs are also stressed for space, which was important to highlight about the new JDUC. All the meeting rooms will be one push bookable. For example, we don't use the AMS Boardroom all the time. Students will have meetings in like library spaces, or people's homes. That shouldn't happen there, that should happen in the places on campus where all student life should be. Something else that Member-at-Large Draeger didn't mention was that the project has won an award which will be coming out later. It is for the Professional Organization of Architects, especially in terms of retrofitting old buildings, and will increase engagement.

Member-at-Large Draeger: About the meeting rooms, we requested that they take them out of the exclusivity of the AMS. One of the ways we've maintained that request is by doing that

throughout wherever possible. Where it could happen on every floor, we've asked that they would be moved to nearby adjacent spaces so people can use those rooms for as much time as they need whether for their club purposes or revenue generating (vendors). We wanted to make sure that any space never seemed locked off or inaccessible to students.

No further discussion.

Adjournment

Moved by: NSS President Kruizinga , seconded by: AMS President Pierce.

Vote proceeds.

FOR: Unanimous

AGAINST: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Motion carries.

Assembly is adjourned at 19:48 PM EST.