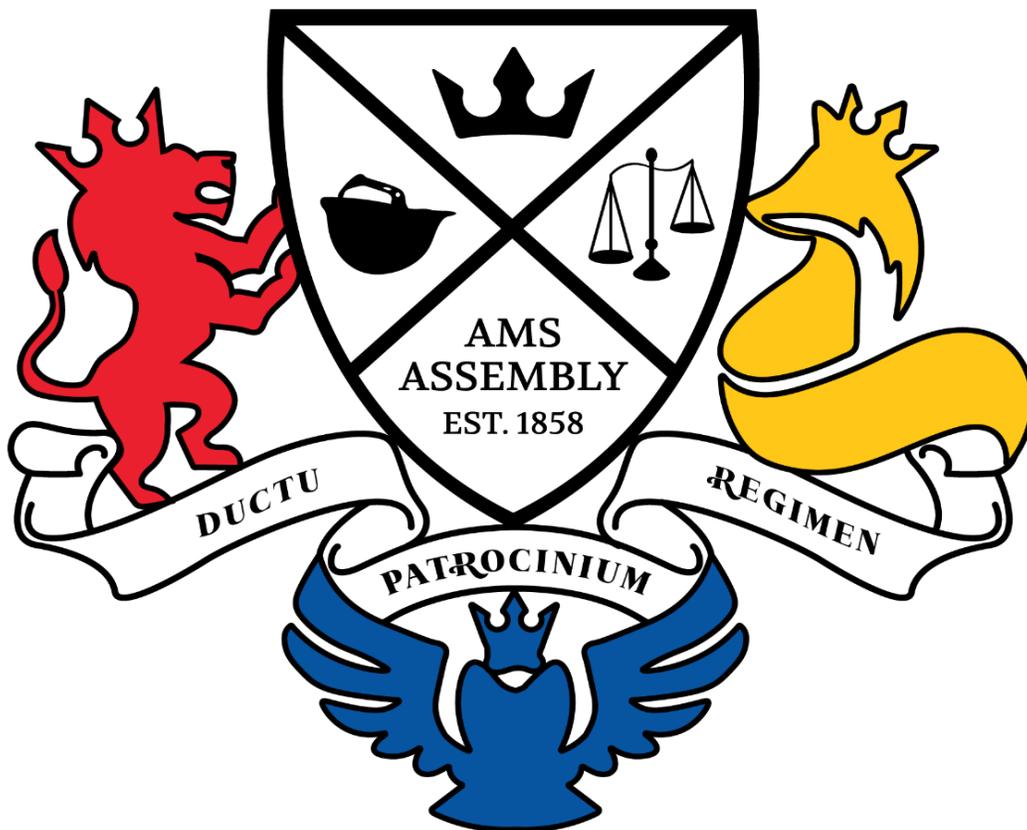


ALMA MATER SOCIETY

MARCH ASSEMBLY

National Day of Combatting Islamophobia (March 15th)



Tuesday, March 24th, 2026

5:30 pm

Wallace Hall

MISSION STATEMENT

To serve and represent the diversity of students at Queen's University.

MANDATE

To represent Queen's University students within the university and externally by working to further the best interests of the members of the AMS, giving particular concern to representation on issues related to education.

To provide experiential, out-of-classroom opportunities to develop skills and learn, through the provision of services and programs.

To uphold the principles of Indigenization, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, Anti-Racism, Accessibility (I-EDIAA) within the Queen's community and on behalf of Queen's undergraduate students.

To serve as a liaison between the various affiliated student societies

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Agenda

1. Speaker's Business
 - a. Land Acknowledgement
2. Guest Speaker: Queen's University Muslim Association (QUMSA)
Motion #1 – Approval of the Agenda for March 24th, 2026
3. Executive Reports
 - a. President of the Alma Mater Society
 - b. Vice President (Operations) – Elena Nurzynski
 - c. Vice President (University Affairs) – Alyssa Perisa
4. Observer Reports
 - a. Board of Directors – Chairperson Dreyden George
 - b. Student Senate Caucus Chair – Sakura Koner
 - c. Undergraduate Trustee – EJ Kelvin
 - d. University Rector – Niki Boytchuk-Hale
 - e. ResSoc President – John Bae
5. Statements by Students
 - a. Chair of the Student Activity Fee Review Committee
6. Question Period
7. Business Arising from the Minutes
 - a. **Motion #2** – Approval of February 10th Meeting Minutes ([Appendix A](#))
 - b. **Motion #3** – Approval of March 10th Meeting Minutes (Appendix B)
 - c. **Motion #4** – Extension of March 3rd Meeting Minutes
8. New Business
 - a. **Motion #5** – Sustainability Advisory Committee Mandate
 - b. **Motion #6** – ORT Budget ([Appendix C](#))
 - c. **Motion #7** – AMS Commission of Clubs Policy Report ([Appendix D](#))
9. Discussion Period
 - a. Elections and Referendum (Secretariat Reddy)
 - b. Potential Changes to the AMS Fee Referendum Process (Rector Boychuk-Hale, [Appendix E](#))
 - c. Board Update from Consultation Period (Chairperson George, Appendix F)
 - d. AMS Events Policy (Commissioner Hussein, [Appendix G](#))
10. Adjournment

Discussion topics

1. Moved by: Secretariat Reddy.
2. Moved by: Rector Boychuk-Hale.

Every referendum period, the Office of the Rector hears from several students who have concerns about getting enough signatures to appear on the ballot within the constraints of the AMS policy, while there have been no SGPS fee-seeking (or re-seeking) groups to ever express contentions to the Rector. We noticed that there were some significant discrepancies for how groups can get a successful nomination package together between the AMS and the SGPS. Specifically, we observed that the SGPS has less parameters about the ways signatures can be obtained (e.g. campaigning using social media is allowed) and offers a longer period of time to get signatures.

Do you think that the AMS should expand the number of days for signature collection? If so, how many?

Do you think the AMS should allow the use of social media to ask for signatures during the nomination period?

Is there anything else that the AMS should consider changing to make the nomination experience more transparent and accessible, while maintaining the integrity of the process?

Refer to: Appendix E

3. Moved by: Chairperson George.
Refer to: Appendix F
4. Moved by: Commissioner Hussein.
Refer to: Appendix G