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REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT TO COUNCIL

OCTOBER 12TH, 2017

(Period covering Friday, September 29th – Friday, October 6th).

Board of Governors

- First Board of Governors meeting of the academic year took place on October 5th, 2017.
 - Attended the meeting.
 - Some highlights:
 - Presentation from the Dean of the Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences about MacDonald Campus;
 - Report of the Provost on Senate, Indigenous Task Force, Sustainability initiatives;
 - Quick discussion about McGill's place in international rankings.
- Board of Governors' Committees:
 - (1) Executive Committee: SQ, nothing to report;
 - (2) Nominating, Governance, and Ethics Committee;
 - Participated in an online vote of the Committee (no physical meeting planned for that period of time).
- Working with MCC (McGill's Communities Council) on Board of Governors reform. Currently, the MCC is debating on a common strategy for the year.
- Part of the joint Board-Senate meeting working group: currently planning the Board-Senate meeting in November that focuses on the theme of mentorship.



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Senate

- Participated in the Senate Caucus meeting that took place on October 2nd, 2017.

Human resources and legal

- Recruitment of recording secretaries (2);
- Training of DEO;
- First meeting between DEO, CEO, and myself;
- Various discussions with the General Manager.

Board of Directors

- Work in progress: organizing the documents of the BoD (including Minutes and Book of Resolution).
 - Working with GM Admin Assistant, Michal;
- Meeting 2017-10-12;
 - Approval of Legislative Council Resolutions;
 - Motion Regarding Nominations to the SSMU Board of Directors;
 - Update on HVAC Project;

Management of relations between the Society and the administration of the University

- Discussion about communication between University and SSMU.
 - Participants: Doug Sweet (Director, Internal Communications), Louis Arseneault (Vice Principal Communications and External Relations) and myself.
- Smoking policy discussion;
- CentreAid campaign: (a) discussions with SEDE, (b) annual March of Umbrellas.



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- Idea discussed: Potential for rule(s) clarification when controversial speakers are invited to events on campus.
- Meeting with the Provost, Christopher Manfredi;

Committee work

- HVAC committee (Heating, Ventilation, Air-Conditioning)
 - Preparation for the Building Closure information session was discussed thoroughly;
- McGill's Community Council (MCC),
 - Common strategy moving forward was discussed;
 - Question discussed: What change at the Board of Governors level do we want to see?
- LifeAYD,
 - Planning of the free LinkedIn headshot event in partnership with the MAA and CAPS;
- Bicentennial Steering Committee,
 - Discussion about upcoming meeting in November;
- ESAAC (Enrolment and Student Affairs Advisory Committee),
 - Discussion on Assessment Principles at the University;
- CentreAid,
 - Planning for campaign;
- MASEC
 - Planning for the year, discussion about priorities.

Legislative Council

- Preparations for the upcoming Legislative Council
 - Website info;



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- Meetings with Parliamentarian and Speaker (varia);
- Recording Secretary and minutes from LC;
- Standardization of Legislative Council documents as well as standardization of how the information is communicated to the public through the website.

Relationship building

- CentreAid;
- Discussions with the MCSS President (varia);
- Meeting with Trish Duff from SLL and University Advancement;
 - Discussion about shared priorities, communication strategy, and development of shared goals for the upcoming Bicentennial fundraising campaign;

Long-term integrity of the Society

- McGill-SSMU MoA negotiations (with SSMU VP University Affairs): nothing to report since last time.

Goals for the next week

- Planning the Fall General Assembly;
- Board of Directors: organization of documents;
- SEAMLESS planning with VP Internal;
- Working on a proposal with the VP UA on International and French students retention;

Respectfully submitted,

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