



Report to Council
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“Time is flying, never to return” ~ Virgil

Research

Research Projects

- Indigenous Studies Researcher → There's going to be a program!!!! Dean Manfredi has approved it. This is very exciting news
- U1 Research → the finalized report has been sent to various university members and will be made available to all students shortly. Kathleen Massey is using it for a Strategic Enrolment Management Conference, and it is being used to help
- SSMU Explains → Video forthcoming
- Internal Protocol → Jennifer is doing a great job. I will let you know more when things are more finalized.

Senate

Committees

- Senate itself went very well. There were no major contentious issues. But I think we did well overall.
- APC and CESA have not met
- Steering and Nominating are interesting committees to go to. I quite like Steering because we have a rather informal discussion which isn't always possible.
- Principal's Prize for Excellence in Teaching → Award recipients have been determined, winners will be awarded at Convocation.
- Working with Teaching and Learning Services (TLS) on a number of committees and working groups

Senators

- Mad props to all the SSMU Senators for surviving the first Senate. Everyone was great!
- Everyone is coming up with Senate specific goals as well as personal projects.

Greenbook Review

- There is a serious revision process currently underway. As of now, the committee has met a few times and determined which changes are mainly working, and which are substantive.
- The substantive ones will come for consultation and eventually senate after Dean Manfredi's report comes out.
- The more pedantic ones are currently being reformatted by Prof. Lydia White

Libraries



LIF

- I met with Diane Koen and Francisco Oliva from the Dean of Libraries office. They gave me a great breakdown from of how the money was spent last year. . Apparently once McGill collects our fees they give it to DAR who match it and then send it to Libraries where the LIF Committee determines what to do with it.
- Kira (LIFC) has met with a few Library people already and has spoken to the Dean. Call outs will go out next week for them after we've met to discuss the year.

Friends of the Library

- FR Scott Lecture = Monday in Moyses Hall. Glenn Lowry will be speaking

PGSS Library

- I had met previously with VP Academic Affairs Adam Bouchard to talk about how the PGSS will allocate their LIF.

Equity

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- Commissioners are working hard to reform the Equity Policy → we just need to modify a few numerical aspects and better incorporate the J-Board into the appeals process.
- They've seen their budget and will be planning for the year
- Committee will be formed very soon 😊

SSMU

Lease

- We really need to have a substantive talk about how we want to move forward

Consultation Fair

- Sam Gregory and I are the SSMU reps to this. A few other undergrads and grad students are participating as well. This is a joint project with the University as well as MCSS, PGSS and MACES
- October 16th 4-6 pm in Redpath Hall, Topic: Advising

Awards of Distinction

- Committee formed! I will be planning for call outs later in the year.

MART (McGill Academic Round Table)

- SQ

QMUF



- Met with Allison and Pauline to discuss what to do with this fund. We will be amending the bylaws to absolve this fund and make QM surplus go into SLF.

ISAR

- Independent Student Advocacy Resource is an interim club which serves to guide and helps students through SSMU and McGill bureaucracy.
- We need some accountability for them so I will be motioning to create SARC (Student Advocacy Resource Committee) which will oversee ISAR
- Training weekends with them are Sept 23 and Sept 30th

Council

- I think council last week went very well!

Daycare

Updates

- We will be having our General Assembly at Sept 27th Council

HR

- Interviewing for Vulcan Researcher this week. Will be hiring ASAP.

McGill

Principal's Advisory Committee

- The process is underway. A couple articles came out recently in both the Trib and Daily – check them out for more info.
- I'm happy to answer any questions you have.

Vision 2020

- I haven't been as involved lately. But it looks as though the sustainability fair went well!

Mental Health Awareness Week

- October 1-5th Events happening all over campus and in SSMU so check it out.

Quartier de l'Innovation

- Interesting lunch with the QI team. They're really looking for content. This can be something that senators and councillors work together on.

Distance Education

- SQ

Strategic Research Plan

- Senators are forming their thoughts on this



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Respectfully submitted,

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