INTEREST GROUP COMMITTEE REPORT FOR COUNCIL NOVEMBER 15TH

- 1. Clubs approved for interim status
 - a. Etiquette Improvement Club
 - b. Boxing Club
 - c. McGill Students' Culinary Society
 - d. McGill Students' Ballroom Dance Club
- 2. Full status club applications approved
 - a. McGill Student Street Dancers
- 3. Changes in constitution
 - a. SSMU-Beyond Me
- 4. Other
 - a. Clubs tabled:
 - i. Mission de Solidarite Responsible Student Club Association
 - ii. Ropeless

INTERIM STATUS CLUB APPLICATIONS APPROVED:

Etiquette Improvement Club

Mandate:

- Promote the importance of etiquette in social success, especially in a business setting.
- Provide opportunities for members to enhance on etiquette skills through designed activities.
- Network with local organizations and institutions on that provide or require etiquette services/skills and make their resources available to members of the club.
- Host specialized events related to etiquette improvement.

Approved as it does not overlap with any other clubs in SSMU and fills a niche but with strong recommendation to use SSMU's equity resources. The club's treatment of people according to the gender that they identify with will be considered when reviewing for full status.

Boxing Club:

Mandate:

- Provide boxing trainings for McGill Students that would include cardio workout and punching exercises
- Provide a space where McGill students can meet other students interested in boxing

They will strictly not be practicing within SSMU but will use the Sports Complex instead.

McGill Students' Culinary Society

Mandate:

- Promote an appreciation for the culinary arts with openness to diversity and creativity
- Foster an open learning environment where students take turns teaching and learning from each other
- To the best of its abilities, use local ingredients and limit meat consumption in an ethically and environmentally conscious manner
- Donate a portion of the clubs time and/or resources to a charitable cause in the city annually in recognition of the scarcity of food (e.g. a monetary donation or a club outing to a soup kitchen)

This club was approved for interim status. When being reviewed for full status, it will be important that they demonstrate that they have not overlapped with Veggie DIY.

FULL STATUS APPLICATIONS:

McGill Student Street Dancers

Three events:

- 1. Outdoor session at the Y-Intersection. 30 people participated and a picture was featured on the McGill website!
- 2. Holding weekly practice sessions of about 15 people each
- 3. Rumble in the Konkrete Jungle- Collaborated with other groups for a large event

They have successfully fulfilled their mandate and contributed to the SSMU community.

CHANGE IN CONSTITUTION:

SSMU-Beyond Me:

SSMU-Beyond Me was approved to ratify its constitution as there are new executive roles that have been appointed and also new descriptions to the roles of the members.

In clause 5.1.6 'treasurer' has been changed to 'Vice President Finance'. The name of the role has been changed

In clause 5.1.7 'secretary ' has been changed to 'Vice President Organization'. The name of the role has been changed

Clause 5.3.4 has been added the Vice President Internal is now responsible for fundraising for the club

Clause 5.3.5 has been added the Vice President Internal is responsible to recruit new members and promote events to the McGill community

Clause 5.6 has been added to describe the tasks of the newly appointed Vice President Communications

Clause 5.7 has been added to describe the tasks of the newly appointed Vice President Events

TABLED CLUBS

Ropeless:

Mandate:

- Promote awareness of issues related to mental health and mental illness
- Offer a safe space to students suffering from mental illness or trauma (PTSD related disorders)
- Offer resources and information to students suffering from mental illness or trauma
- Raise funds for related services such as Montreal Head and Hands clinic

Interest group committee felt that it would be important to meet with them before taking further action to better understand their intentions. IGC does not want to approve this club before guaranteeing that they approach mental health in a safe way with approval and guidance from McGill's mental health resources.

Mission de Solidarite Responsible Student Club Association

Three events:

- 1. Extravaganza Club Event- fundraising event for sending the executive team to their summer missions in Haiti and Ghana. It was held at club Succo
- 2. No Strings Attached- Another club night to raise funds
- 3. Hockey Ticket Raffle- Tabled at 4a7 and sold tickets for \$5 to fundraise

The events they outline in their full status application did not fulfill their mandate. Interest group committee felt that these events may have been chosen because they fundraised the most money but would like to give the group an opportunity to highlight other events instead.