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Lilly Tong - Engineering Rep

Nominating Committee

Together with other committee members, we selected the winners of each SSMU award. There were a lot of competitive entries this year, and we thank each applicant for taking the time to fill out the application.

Facebook message – Regarding Building Centre Fee Referendum

I posted a message on Facebook in the Engineering Undergraduate Society with the intention of informing everyone of the recently referendum regarding the SSMU Building Centre fee. I apologize for some misleading information that I posted, but luckily the main message still got across. A lot of students approached me afterwards asking me questions such as “Why is the building centre fee not incorporated into the SSMU base fee?”

Also, another student told me that the reason why voted against the referendum is because SSMU never informed the students beforehand of a Building Centre Fee and all of a sudden this question popped up on the referendum. A lot of students were unaware of such fee, and not sure where it came from and why it is here and what it will be used for, hence voting against the referendum. He thought that if SSMU had informed the students better what the fee is used for, then the referendum would have a much better turnout. I have personally reflected on this issue and blame it on my lack of duty as a councilor on failing to properly inform my constituents of the fee before its appearance on the referendum. On the other hand, I believe my peer Councilor Rioux has done a considerably better job on informing EUS councilors of the referendum question. To make up it, I tried to explain to the students about next year's referendum on the same issue in Fall 2014, where I advised them to think carefully about the issue before voting on it.

An advice for future councilors would be to: Announce the referendum questions to your constituents on Facebook before the elections, go through each of them and really explain to your constituents what each referendum concerns, and how it affects them.

External Relations 2020

Together with VP External, we finalized the report of recommendations for next year's VP External as well as recommendations to CREIQ.

Anikke Rioux - Engineering Rep

LAST REPORT TO COUNCIL OF THE YEAR!!



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Funding

- We had our last two funding meetings.
- In both meetings, we went over by-law changes in order to make them more representative of the current way we do things.
- We talked briefly about how to make the process better.

LIFC

- We allocated all the money.

EUS

- I had to miss last meeting
- Constitution changes were discussed mostly (from what I gather)
- We had our Volunteer Banquet.

Billy Liu - Clubs Rep

Committees

- Funding: continued with bylaw revisions.
- CEC: done!
- IGC: had an exam that ended at 5pm and didn't make it to the meeting. We are set to have our last meeting Tuesday at 4pm; details/decisions to come to council?

Clubs Rep and Services Rep elections coming up; Tuesday is debates!

Thanks for a great year, SSMU Council! Congrats again to next year's executives, senators, councillors and future student staff – you're not just amazing representatives of the student body, but talented and awesome people too!

Devin Bissky-Dziadyk - Science Rep

- SUS and SSMU awards! Extremely fun, very much partying. It has been a year.
- Operations Management: SQ, no recent meetings
- Transition: In progress, hope to see all of the incomings at this meeting.

Sue Jeong- Arts Rep

I don't have very much to report. However, I do want to say, that although we have had a bit of



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roller coaster type of series of events this year, it's been an honour getting to know and work

with everyone on council this year. I'm really to glad to have met everyone on council this year.

Thank you for being super great! I wish everyone the best of luck on exams and success :) Y'all rock my socks.

Committees
Under SSMU

•FERC

We haven't met in a while

• Accountability Committee

We had our last meeting last week. Since then, we have been busily gathering information and putting together our report. We will be reporting to council today.

Joanna Lynsdale- Nursing Rep

- Had a 44% voter turnout for our elections!!! The event on April 1 went well and all positions are now filled for next year's council.
 - Attended the bylaw review committee meeting on Thursday April 3rd
 - We are choosing two organizations currently to donate to from this year's council
 - Sugar shack event last weekend went really well
 - Our last crossover meeting is happening this Tuesday April 8.
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Catherine Chen - Music Rep

- still holding office hours, every Monday 1:30-2:30, in the MUSA office
 - submitted the Event Evaluation form to the Funding Committee
 - wrote Exit Report for next year's MUSA VP External and music representative
 - last MUSA meeting on April 9th!
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Sophia-Maria Giannakakis - Physical and Occupational Therapy Rep

SSMU:

- March 27th: Attended SSMU council



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- Attended the SSMU Awards on April 3rd. POTUS execs were nominated for execs of the year. We are honoured for this nomination. Congrats to Management execs for the win!

POTUS:

- We had our elections!!!! Congrats to all the in-coming POTUS council members. Congrats to the in-coming POTUS President Simon Pradella!! Congrats to Yasmine Nadifi as the in-coming VP External and SSMU Physical and Occupational Therapy Rep!!
- SPOT (School of Physical and Occupational Therapy) had its Name Tag Ceremony on April 4th. I was honoured to have been chosen by my peers to give the student speech. I wish all my constituents in third year all the best during their placements this summer.
- On April 3rd, we had one of our last POTUS meetings. We voted for our POTUS Student Life Award. Congrats to Tram Nguyen, VP OT for the win!!! This meeting also served as a kind of transition council for in-coming and out-going execs.

NB: My experience with SSMU for the past 2 years has gone beyond what I thought it would be. I learned a lot, I made new friends, and even though it had its challenges I wish all the best to next year's council! POTUS thanks you too!!!

Sarah Southey - Science Rep

- Building Committee on Monday March 31, discussed clean up of players theatre, plate club issues with dirty dishes
- Equity Committee on Monday March 31, discussed upcoming forums on equity
- office hours were uneventful, only one student came from engineering, but they're my friend and only came to say hi
- Working with the VP Communications for SUS to put form for SSMU reps on the SUS website
- Not able to attend Services Review Committee Tuesday evening as I was feeling sick
- Wednesday April 2 were the SUS Appreciation Awards, BUGS (biochemistry) won best departmental council!
- By-Law Review Committee Thursday April 3, continued to work on council by-laws, reviewed changes that VP FOPS made to financial by-laws, both will be presented at this council!
- Accountability Committee Thursday April 3, discussed recommendations for next years committee, exec reviews, and what to put in the report
- SSMU Awards night Thursday April 3, very fun met Suzanne Fortier for the first time!



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- Open Forum on Equity Friday April 4, only seven members of the Equity Committee two members of the press and Courtney came! Answered questions from the Tribune then cancelled as only one person (Courtney) who wasn't on the Equity Committee or from the press came
- Equity potluck on Sunday April 6, very fun
- Working on research of other universities approaches to sustainability for the Sustainability Committee, it's interesting!

Courtney Ayukawa - Arts and Science Rep

BASiC

- Getting feedback on the draft contingency budget at Assembly Monday evening
- Attended BASiC transition Sunday afternoon
- Congratulations to my successor, Saurin - he will do a great job next year!
- Had a great time at NiRC (national integrative research conference). It was a great experience to present too!
- Sad to miss the BASiC End of Year Banquet :(
- Cognitive Science and SSS Student Assoc executive applications and BASiC appoint position applications are rolling in

Sustainability Committee

- Meeting this Tuesday
- Ongoing consultation with students on campus
- Talked with Lilith Wyatt (from MOOS) before she left about SSMU Sustainability

Environment Committee

- Attended our last meeting of the year last Tuesday. Had a lovely reflection and visioning for next year's committee

David Benrimoh - Medicine Rep



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- Conducted survey and consultation on building fee issue
 - Wrote and submitted a motion regarding councillor accountability
 - Met with Senate Caucus to go over plans for next year
 - Sent in senate committee preferences
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John Simpson - Law Rep

SSMU

- I am sitting on the SSMU Awards of Distinction Committee; will be looking over the applications in the near future
- Last SSMU meetings of the year!
- I encourage councilors to support the motion on reviewing the elections bylaws

Miscellaneous

- Helped with the drafting of the Motion on Accessibility; thanks to Tim, Behzad, Steve, and Eloïse
 - Was approached by a group of students about a referendum question on the mental health questions that students must answer for admission to Quebec Bar school; more information to come
 - LSA Election results come out on Wednesday April 9th
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Carolyn Booth - Social Work Rep

New SWSA Exec:

President: Denis Dube

VP Communications: Alexia Cleveland

VP Internal: Kelsey Hylland

VP External: Ashley Orloff

VP Activities: Riley Dalys-Fine



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Planning U2/U3 field placements.

Looking into social work/nursing banquet.
