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### Research

#### Mental Health Policy

• Friday Meeting: We went over the second draft. There were a few changes to the timeline of the 5 Year Plan, but overall everyone was very pleased. This week, Chelsea has been going through the policy and copy editing, checking for grammar, making sure it sounds like a single voice etc. We will be bringing the policy for a first reading for next council!

#### Equity Research

• Finished! We are had our final meeting with the researchers on Friday where they handed in their final projects. The Equity commissioners and I will be discussing the results and bringing them to Equity Committee.

#### McGill's Harassment, Sexual Harassment and Discrimination Policy

• Met with the UGE, SACOMSS, Feminist Collective, QPIRG to put together some policy recommendations. Chelsea will be compiling these before the next meeting. Suggestions were very positive and focused on prevention rather than changes to disciplinary procedure.

#### International students

• Looking for applicants. But I was thinking that this might actually be better if simply given to Chelsea as a project to work on.

#### *IDEAS*

• Sam couldn't make the meeting on Friday so we are rescheduling.

# **Equity**

Sexual Harassment Policy changes and website



### Students' Society of McGill University Association étudiante de l'Université McGill

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• On-going

#### Equity Committee

- The Conference Coordinator has been hired and has started working. We met with her last week. She will be working with the Equity Committee to organize the conference. We have set up an adtvertising strategizing meeting with Ryan.
- We are also brainstorming ways to advertise the Equity Fund.

# Libraries

The Library Improvement Fund

• The Wednesday meeting was cancelled, but Kira met with Colleen and Diane on Thursday.

### Senate

- Senate Steering was last week. The Agenda for Monday looks pretty short. The open discussion was postpone until the February meeting and it will be on silos in the university.
- Senate Yesterday:

## Committees

Academic Policy Committee

- I have begun working on another Unit Review for APC. These take quite a long time to read and summarize.
- Last week. There was a big conversation about Lecture Recordings and anonymous grading.

Ad-Hoc Committee on the Charter of Student Rights

• The first meeting of this committee was held on Wednesday. This is a very important committee and I am very fortunate to be a part of it. There will be a series of consultations with students and all members of the community throughout this process, so keep your ears and eyes open!

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#### Mental Health Workgroup

• We have finished our assessment phase and have extended invitations to various relevant actors across the university to present at the work group

### Admin

### Meeting with Ollivier

- Tuesday morning: We discussed the conversation that was had between myself, himself and the Provost before Christmas regarding residences. He had assured me that the rumored changes to the structure of rez had not yet been confirmed and there would be more student consultation. I reminded him of this conversation and he explained that indeed the decision had not been finalized until after that conversation.
- We also discussed the impact of student events on the wider community and on students themselves.
- Finally, we discussed the importance of coordinating mental health initiatives on campus

## HR

- I have met with all student staff and checked in with their workplans.
- I revised my vibe workspace with Andrea