



Interest Group Committee Agenda February 4, 2015

Present: Kimber Bialik (Interest Group Coordinator)
Stefan Fong (Vice President Clubs and Services)
Anikke Rioux (Engineering Representative)
Nancy Zhang (Music Representative)
Victor Custot (Representative of Clubs)
Esther Lee (Member at Large)
Zachary Carson (Member at Large)

Absent: Catherine Guo (Representative of Clubs)
Jacinthe Deschênes (PGSS Representative)
Sukmeet Rohan Sachal (Clubs Representatives)

Interim Status Applications

1. Romanian Students Association

Full Status Applications

1. Unofficial McGill Students Guide
2. McGill Students Chapter of the Canadian Liver Foundation
3. McGill Students Chapter of War Child
4. Volunteer for a Smile
5. McGill Students Chapter of Jam for Justice

Constitutional Amendments

1. Libery @ McGill
2. McGill Students Chapter of the Canadian Liver Foundation

Interim Status Applications

McGill Romanian Students Society

The Club's mandate shall be to:

- Unite people of Romanian origin or culture
- Promote and ease access to Romanian culture, traditions and history
- Create opportunities for Romanians as well as people of other origins to discover and enjoy Romanian culture through themed events
- Create a network of Romanian students at McGill
- Provide a niche for students who wish to cultivate their belonging to Romanian culture or to expand their knowledge about it
- Participate in projects and causes related to development in Romania by raising awareness



Recommendation: Approve

The Interest Group Committee recommends the McGill Romanian Students Society be approved for Interim Status based on their score of 26/30 on the Interim Status Approval Rubric.

Full Status Applications

Unofficial McGill Students Guide

Product Form:

- “The Unofficial McGill Students' Guide, herein referred to as "the Guide" is an online resource (www.UnofficialMcGillGuide.com). The Guide provides information to help prospective and current McGill students navigate the complexities of student life at McGill. In addition, the Guide attempts to take information provided by the official McGill website and make it more accessible to students, often by adding advice and personal experience. For example, along with instructions for course registration, the Guide provides reassurance to students that they shouldn't panic if they don't immediately get into all their courses, and gives tips and advice for how to handle waitlists and registration errors. Moreover, the Guide provides resources and information about the McGill and greater Montreal community.”

Recommendation: Reject

The Interest Group Committee recommends that Unofficial McGill Students Guide be rejected for Full Status based on their score of 22/30 on the Full Status Approval Rubric.

McGill Students Chapter of the Canadian Liver Foundation

Event forms:

1. CLF McGill Students DeLIVER: The Scoop on Hepatitis C and Liver Health
 - Conference and networking event with the Canadian Liver Foundation and Janssen Inc. (pharmaceutical company – Johnson & Johnson). The event featured keynote speakers, live jazz, a silent auction, food and refreshments, etc.
2. Keep Calm and Make Sushi: Sushi making workshop in Midnight Kitchen taught by club executives – the goal is to promote healthy eating and lifestyles. Currently planning a second edition of this event.
3. Yoga and Nutrition: Yoga class and a presentation and nutrition workshop led by Healthy McGill (covered topics including the role of nutrition, alcoholism and drugs in association with the liver).

Recommendation: Table

The Interest Group Committee recommends tabling the Full Status Application of McGill Students Chapter of the Canadian Liver Foundation pending more information about the planning process of their conference event hosted in collaboration with their parent organization in order to better assess their degree of autonomy.



McGill Students Chapter of War Child

1. Documentary Screening: "Rocked: Sum 41 in the Congo" – documentary filmed by War Child Canada.
2. General Meeting – advertised open executive positions, talked about their club and screened clips was War Child Canada that "showed how powerful the organization is."
3. Film Screening: Blood Diamond – movie screening and networking afterwards

Recommendation: Reject

The Interest Group Committee recommends that McGill Students Chapter of War Child be rejected for Full Status based on their score of 22/30 on the Full Status Approval Rubric.

Volunteer for a Smile

Event Forms:

1. Be Brave Campaign – social event at Montreal General for the New Year Celebration. They collaborated with CLF and volunteered giving away gifts, singing, and talking with patients.
2. Twister Tournament: Fundraising event – \$5 admission for entry into the tournament and the chance to win gift card prizes.
3. Community Engagement Day – arts and crafts session where people came to make cards for patients at the hospital

Recommendation: Reject

The Interest Group Committee recommends that Volunteer for a Smile be rejected for Full Status based on their score of 22/30 on the Full Status Approval Rubric.

McGill Students Chapter of Jam for Justice

Event forms:

1. A Night for Kibale: Benefit concert in collaboration with SAMA. Local musicians performed and the concert raised awareness about conservation efforts in Uganda
2. Pub Trivia Night at McLean's – questions for a variety of music genres and social activism causes
3. Coffee House Concert with MSF – J4J provided musicians and sound equipment and MSF collected donations and purchased baked goods and coffee.
4. "Give a Funk, Save a Life" Benefit Concert – raised money for Schistosomiasis Control Initiative and NGO that works to fight neglected tropical diseases in developing African nations. The concert featured McGill musicians.

Recommendation: Approve

The Interest Group Committee recommends that McGill Students Chapter of Jam for Justice be approved for Full Status based on their score of 29/30 on the Full Status Approval Rubric.



Constitutional Amendments

Liberty @ McGill

- Executive positions in Article 4 and 5 updated to reflect current executive structure

Recommendation: Approve

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