

Office of the Vice-President (External Affairs) Bureau du Vice-président (affaires externes)

VP External's Report to Legislative

February 12, 2015

Personal

- Someone came to my office hours ©
- Two different groups came to my office to borrow the loudspeaker actions re: social justice abroad

External Affairs

SSMU External Affairs

- Still looking for a web designer to make the new SSMU External affairs page! Send web designers my way plz
- The external affairs survey is up and running! Please fill it out here
- I went to FEUQ's congress last weekend hosted by AEESG
 - o FEUQ's annual campaign rerouted to tackle austerity
- Went FAECUM's 2nd floor party last Thursday

Austerity

- Mobilization committee met Wednesday!
 - o Began strategizing for the anti-austerity campaign
 - Bringing messaging ideas and voting next week, then starting our mass informational campaign
 - Going to be mobilizing towards April 2nd demo
- Situation in Quebec
 - Patrick, David and Lola went to the Refusons L'austerite collective in QC city today
 - Lots of different groups across the public sector are mobilizing
 - FEUQ is planning a manif against the \$200 million cuts in education on February 28th
 - ASSE is planning a large manif **April 2**nd
 - Many organizing towards a March 21st strike. If you're interested in bringing a strike vote to your department or faculty, contact me!
- Meeting with l'ASSE, FEUQ next week to discuss mobilizing

Climate Justice / ÉCO (Étudiant-e-s contre les oléoducs)

- Launched new website and <u>crowdfunder</u> Today!
 - The money will be used towards organizing acts of non-violent direct action targeting leaders and MPs of the
 - Check out coverage in <u>La Presse</u> and the <u>Montreal Gazette</u>
 - Tshirts coming!







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- Hiring someone w/ CSU to write bylaws and constitution
- Gabriel Nadeau Dubois, Greenpeace and ECO meeting next week about actions around Energy East
- Organising two events for SSMU members to apply to be interveners in the NEB's deliberations on the Energy East pipelines:
 - Pancakes not pipelines
 - Pizza not pipelines

Community Affairs Fall 2014

Community engagement

- Community mixers are done!
 - They were awesome
 - Thank you CEC!
- Hired a Community Affairs Coordinator Dan and I working on street teams for faculty olympics

Citizens Council

- SQ.

Francophone Affairs

SSMU Franco Affairs

- A copy of the Legislative Council Resolution Book will be available shortly on the SSMU website! All current motions have been translated, with the exception of appendices
 - \circ $\,$ This book will continue to be updated after each Council meeting.
- Planning a trip to a cabane a sucre in March
- Speaker from le devoir next week

Francofete:

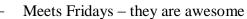
- Malade Imaginaire happened!
- Celine Dion Gerts night happened!
 - FAECUM and CADEUL exec came
- Parlons francais panel discussion, all happened last week!

Committees of SSMU Legislative Council

Community Engagement:

- Meets Tuesdays

• Now will be working on hip hop week, community engagement awards Commission des affaires francophones (CAF):







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Sustainability:

Still getting people to fill out surveys on state of sustainability at SSMU

Committees of Senate

Landscape Master Plan Committee

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- Senate Committee on Physical Development (SCPD)
 - _ SQ.

Campaigns

Divest McGill

- Petition and 150 page brief resubmitted to the Committee to Advise on Matters of Social Responsibility!!
- Faculty letter came out! Check out the website
- Check out the coverage in Global News and Le devoir
- Also wrote opeds pressuring the McGill administration to divest from fossil fuels in Le devoir and the Montreal Gazette
- Stay tuned for fun actions tomorrow for the Global Divestment Day of Action
- Claire and I are meeting with PGSS to see how to bring this issue to council
 - UBC faculty also voted in favour of divestment !
 - Divest Harvard had a sit in their administration building !



Misc

SSMU Speaker series!

- Been working with Claire on bringing two speakers for the SSMU speakers series!
- Author of Book Lawrence Hill is coming!! ٠

Respectfully submitted,

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