



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

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

VP External's Midterm Report to Legislative Council

January 15, 2015

External Affairs

Fall 2014

SSMU External Affairs

- Met with representatives of student unions and federations across Quebec
- Attended FEUQ congresses
- Began communications strategy with the Political Attache

Austerity

- Passed [Motion Regarding Solidarity Against Austerity](#)
- Organised McGill contingent to November 29th demonstration
- Oversaw the hiring of the Austerity Measures Researcher

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

- Successful conception and launch of ECO
- Passed [Motion Regarding Action on Climate Change](#)
- First Montreal-wide demonstration in November
- Launch of ECO website and social media
- First board meeting

CREM (Coalition régionale étudiante de Montréal)

- Conception and launch of CREM
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CRAIES (Campagne de revendications et d'actions interuniversitaires des étudiant(e)s en éducation en stage)

- Joined the campaign to demand compensation for unpaid internships in education
- Decided on the goal and mandate of the campaign
- Began editing brief to be submitted

Winter 2015

SSMU External Affairs

- Review External bylaws
- Launch the External Affairs website and communications strategy
- Plan and launch the SSMU Speakers Series w/ VP UA
- SSMU Workshop series (Non-violent direct action workshops, campaign building, others)
- Have a student consultation campaign on the issue of SSMU's external affairs
- Develop a strategy and recommendations on the state of SSMU's external affairs
- Pass a motion regarding accessibility to education



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Austerity

- Website launch
- Oversee the hiring and launch of the Mobilization Officer
- Create campaign materials for distribution and mobilization of students for Printemps 2015
- Roundtable with Quebec Universities to discuss positions and collaboration on this issue

Climate Justice / ÉCO (Étudiant-e-s Contre les Oléoducs)

- Oversee the writing of the coalition's constitution and rules of conduct
- Launch fundraising campaign
- Outreach to other Quebec universities to join ECO
- Promote information about ECO coalition to SSMU members through use of SSMU listserv and website
- Write Climate Change policy

CRAIES (Campagne de revendications et d'actions interuniversitaires des étudiant(e)s en éducation en stage)

- Launch visual campaign across universities with education faculty
- Submit brief and meet with ministry

Community Affairs

Fall 2014

Milton-Parc

- Walk around to meet residents
- Community potluck at ECOLE
- Regular meetings with Milton Parc Citizens Committee (MPCC)

Community Engagement

- Milton Parc tour for Community Engagement Day (CED)

Winter 2015

Milton-Parc

- Plan street teams for faculty Olympics and St Patricks Day
- Develop better communication strategy with residents
- Make outreach materials for student-resident relations

Community Engagement

- Community mixers
- Community engagement awards
- Hip-hop Week w/ SSMU equity

Political Campaigns

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Divest McGill

- Organised Naomi Klein talk and book launch w/ CSU
- Organised bus of McGill students to People's Climate March
- Planned the Divestment Convergence
- Oversaw room bookings for meetings and events
- Maintain online platforms (website, social media)

Bikes

- Ran referendum question about bikes on campus
- Worked with SCPD and MOOS to promote bikes on campus

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Divest McGill

- Help coordinate DM's communication with McGill admin
- Tabling to increase student awareness of divestment as part of SSMU's climate justice campaign
- Continue overseeing room bookings for meetings, events, and orientation sessions

Francophone Affairs

Fall 2014

- Hired francophone affairs commissioners

Winter 2015

- Plan and execute francofete w/ CAF
- Outreach for CAF
- French language circles
- Make recommendation to SSMU regarding state of francophone affairs

Misc

Fall 2014

Citizens Council

- Monthly meetings about Citizens Council plans
- Developed feedback survey about Principal's Plans
- Met with Principal Fortier to discuss the Principal's Plans

Committees of Senate

- Landscape Master Plan Committee
- Senate Committee on Physical Development (SCPD)



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Citizens Council

- Debrief meeting with Fortier
- Survey McGill community about McGill governance

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Legal

- Represented SSMU in Laurent Proulx case

Respectfully submitted,

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