



Report to Legislative Council
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PERSONAL

- My office hours run from 11am – 1pm on Wednesdays and from 2pm – 4pm on Thursdays. Come chat with me about clubs or services or the building or whatever your heart desires!

CLUBS

- I spent this weekend working on proposals for the website redesign project with my specifications for the Clubs Directory on the soon to be developed new website. I've put a lot of research into how different student associations communicate their student groups across Canada and am looking forward to major improvements to our existing Club Listing!
- I'm also looking into the development of an interest based matching survey so am currently in touch with a developer to get an idea of what the coding would entail and how long this project would take – I'm hoping this is something that can take shape over the course of the next semester.
- The Club Committee has been meeting weekly and the backlog of summer applications has finally been eliminated. It seems that we've seen a higher than average submission rate for interim status applications this year! A report of the Club Committee has been submitted for approval.

SERVICES

- Over the course of the past two weeks, I have been working on projects for or tasks with Elections SSMU, Midnight Kitchen, the Musician's Collective, and Organic Campus.
- The Service Review process is going well – the Services Review Committee has now set out an audit assignment schedule and has begun auditing Services (thus far audits of Nightline, M-SERT, and Players' Theatre are in progress), the Services have started submitting their self-reports, and the general [SSMU Services survey](#) has been finalized by the Committee and will be publicized to students as of Monday evening! The goal of auditing all 20 services each semester is ambitious but we are on track to achieve that!
- I met with the Safety Network Services to start on coordination for the Safety Network Fee Yes Campaign – this will be taking up more time in the coming two weeks.

INDEPENDENT STUDENT GROUPS

- CKUT's fee levy campaign has been taking up quite a lot of my time – The PGSS campaign just wrapped up and we're waiting on the final results, and the SSMU campaign starts on Thursday so that will be time consuming in the next two weeks as well.

BUILDING AND SPACE

- The [Space Fee Proposal Form](#) is now live! Tell me what you want the Building Committee to spend its Space Fee allocation on and please distribute this link to anyone who has ideas for



space improvements in our building! The Building Committee will be reviewing them at the end of the semester.

- I have been working on meeting sponsorship targets for the SSMU Building and will be finalizing this in the coming week – we are working to ensure that we can sustain the building budget through sponsorship without detracting from the space overall.
- The construction in front of the building was originally supposed to wrap up at the end of October but is now going to extend until December – the other planned project on the South Side entrance will now also need to be postponed as these projects continuing at the same time would result in there being no wheelchair accessible entrance to our building for the duration of the projects, which is not a sacrifice we are not willing to make.
- The Sustainable Building Coordinator and I completed part of the building's energy audit this weekend. To wrap this project up, she is currently going through data on our energy consumption from past years to compile a report and is looking into some of the McGill resources for tracking our energy consumption and building stats – did you know that [the amount of energy this building used last week was equivalent to powering a typical home for 1,928 days](#).
- Kareem and I attended a consultation session on the Promenade Urbaine project that the City of Montreal is working on – this project would involve the construction of an urban walkway to connect the St. Lawrence River to the top of the mountain, and McTavish is part of the path to the mountain. During the focus group we needed to push for a greater understanding of the needs of McGill campus – the facilitator was resistant to suggestions of things like bike racks and benches that would be well used by students because “this path is for walking.” On the bright side, as part of this project, they are also going to be getting rid of the curbs on upper and lower McTavish, which means it will be more convenient for people with reduced mobility to access our building and the other buildings on McTavish.

STAFF

- I've begun interviews for the Clubs and Services Communications Coordinator and the Services Administrative Coordinator. We are still recruiting for the Student Engagement Coordinator and will be beginning these interviews next week.
- I have been finalizing performance evaluation and probation period meetings with my student staff members and am now soliciting their feedback on my supervision in general and their experience as a SSMU staff member.

GENERAL MANAGER DELEGATION

- Our deductible for our Errors and Omissions Insurance didn't increase this year! Woohoo! All other insurance renewals are being finalized.

VICE-PRESIDENT (INTERAL) DELEGATION

- Everything went relatively well with the Services for 4Floors (M-SERT, Walksafe, Drivesafe, and Red Frogs) and Security for 4Floors was uneventful – we were able to cut costs mid-event by cutting agents throughout the night as we had a better assessment of the needs of the event.



- Regular maintenance of the listserv is time consuming as always – I am still seeking feedback on the listserv so encourage you to get in touch with any thoughts!
- The Student Engagement Committee is assembled and is meeting for the first time this Thursday – our first meeting will be general discussions about student engagement at SSMU based on some of the things that the applicants raised in their applications to the committee. We'll also be setting out general projects for the year.

BUILDING DIRECTOR DELEGATION

- I have been working on porter scheduling and supervision as well as setting out regular workplan and check-in meetings with the staff members that I now supervise in the absence of the Building Director.

MISCELLANEOUS

- As per the Accountable Leadership Policy, anyone who would like to access the log of my in-office hours can do so through [this link](#).

Respectfully submitted,

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