



REPORT OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT (OPERATIONS)

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BUILDING AFFAIRS

- **Event support for 4Floors**
 - Helped to coordinate the logistics of set up
 - Co-Led the security team overseeing the event with Wallace, the security manager.
 - Had a comprehensive security debrief following the event to talk about security performance, issues that arose, and how to prevent them next time
- **Had our first Building & Operations Committee meeting with Members at Large**
 - Finalized the criteria that will be used to judge projects
 - Discussed the project list, to be finalized next meeting, and beginning of project evaluation phase

STUDENT-RUN CAFÉ

- Conversations regarding catering, vending machines, and card-readers are on-going
- Worked 2 lunch shifts to help add depth to the SRC roster in midterms
- **Re-branding:**
 - Specific items have been chosen and the corresponding expenses have been finalized
 - The entire process will not cost more than \$600, which we feel is a fair operating expense to harmonize the marketing. This will translate in more effective marketing and brand identity, and will help the SRC stand-out in the competitive McGill food market
 - We're currently working on a TVM video to use as a marketing tool in the winter
 - Keep your eyes peeled for a launch-event invite in the next month!



MINI-COURSES

- **Brochure**
 - We're currently making a brochure with all the mini-courses offered to use as marketing tool
 - Developed a template for the brochure and had a meeting with Zach to finalize the vision & set a time-line
 - Also working on a better graphic to display all the courses offered during each day
- **Website:**
 - Had a comprehensive meeting with the website manager as well as Zach, our graphic designer, to identify changes that need to be made to the website.
 - We'll be harmonizing the colour scheme to make it conform to the SSMU styles and restructuring the layout so courses can be found more easily

SUSTAINABILITY

- **Waste Management Task Force**

Background: I've been invited to act as a student representative on a working group designed to reform the Waste Management contract for the entire McGill Campus, involving recycling, garbage (and possibly compost) for all the 135 downtown buildings and the 84 buildings of the Macdonald Campus

 - This task force is in response to a consultant's report that indicated McGill pays a significant more than the fair market value for a contract that is not achieving proper recycling and that is not encouraging waste reduction
 - Our first task is to define the vision of what we're looking for in our next contract → defining the Notice to the market, which will be followed by a call for tender in the winter or early spring
 - My opinion is optimistic: the committee is formed of a large contingent of very progressive administrators who will oppose an "old guard" that would normally oppose such progressive changes
 - I also feel that a more progressive contract is very likely; not only is it required under Vision 2020, it would have financial incentives in the form of recycling credits or other rebate systems

MORE INFO TO COME.

- **Garden project:**
 - Our SPF to construct a community garden in the back of SSMU has been officially approved for a total of \$10 000
 - Information gathering has already begun, and we're planning on finalizing our list of vegetables to grow in the next 2 weeks
 - The next step will be to develop a detailed task list and skill set which could be provided to volunteers in the spring once the garden is constructed
 - If you're interested in getting involved, give me a shout!!



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CAMPUS SPACE PLANNING

- Elaine and I (this evening) did a complete walk-through of lower campus. Why?
 - To see if security corridors are effective or could be improved
 - To look for accessibility concerns on campus and on security corridors
- We highlighted a number of problematic areas which will be submitted to a working group due to submit a report at the end of December. This will be valuable information for students, faculty and staff to advocate for accessibility concerns on campus
- Next, we'll be doing a walkthrough of upper campus (incl. upper residence and McIntyre)

SACHA'S CORNER

Where was this taken?



Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sacha M.'.

Sacha Lefebvre Magder
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