

REPORT OF THE VICE—PRESIDENT (OPERATIONS)

November 17th, 2016

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CAMPUS SPACE PLANNING

- Next construction update meeting = November 24th (NEXT THURSDAY)
 - If anyone has anything they'd like me to bring up (especially re: accessibility routes, student concerns, etc, send them to me via email by WEDNESDAY night at the latest)

BUILDING AFFAIRS

- Brown Building Accessibility route
 - The Brown building is (finally) open until 10:30 PM to extend the hours of this essential accessibility route through our building
- Exam time study spaces:
 - The SSMU building will be opening a number of bookable spaces specifically for additional study space during peak exam periods (Friday December 2nd to Tuesday December 6th)
 - We're working on opening up the building for Sunday, December 4th exclusively for the purpose of adding study space
 - o More info to come soon.



Building & Operations Management Committee:

- Project list has been finalized, and rating underway:
 - Each member assigns a numerical rating out of 15 for each project, based on a set of criteria that were previously established
 - Each individual's ratings are tallied; the highest and lowest scores from each project are dropped, and the average is taken of the remaining scores
- A first round of projects will be discussed at the following meeting on Tuesday,
 November 22nd

FOOD & BEVERAGE

- Detailed sales report data has been completed for the Month of September, and I've had time to analyze the data in detail
- Report on SRC September sales:
 - 2016 September sales were double of what was posed in 2015
 - Likely due to a simple increase in # of transactions, as prices have not changed significantly since last year
 - Now that we've increased sales, our next task will be to re-asses margins and find ways to improve them
- Report on Gerts September sales
 - o 2016 September Gerts sales were 30% higher than in 2015
 - o SSPN will begin organizing programming for Gerts (live music, themed nights, trivia, etc.)
 - o to keep interest high
- October sales data to come soon, which will be an important indicator of the SRC's success

MINICOURSES

- We've locked-up a large number of new courses:
 - o Adobe suite: Illustrator, Photoshop[
 - o **Programming:** Java I, Java II, C++, Python
 - o Languages: Spanish, American Sign Language
- We're continuing to work on improving the image of MiniCourses:
 - o Started using Slack for the MC team, which should help improve communication & make our interactions with customers more cohesive → improves professionalism
 - o Working on a website re-haul
 - o Continuing development of the brochure
- Wrote a formal refund policy that will be implemented as of next semester. This formalizes practices we've been using up until now, and will help further our professionalism



SUSTAINABILITY

• Sustainability Infographic

o Came up with an initial moc-up, looking into logistics of creating a more interactive online resource (possibly with help from an SPF proposal)

• Waste Management Working Group

o Completed a couple hours of background work to prepare myself for the next meeting on Friday. Looked into plans that are already in place by other universities (especially a plan developed by Dalhousie University to better manage their waste, as well as reading the Montreal City plan on waste management)

• Garden Project:

- o Information gathering continues:
 - Our team has reached out to the Dawson campus Garten, Santropol and a number of other community garden organizations
 - We have already collected a wealth of information that we'll be using to decide what to grow
- o Target by winter break → decide what vegetables to grow

SSMU Environment Committee:

- o #GreenLifeHacks week is NEXT week and it's DIY Holliday themed:
 - If you're looking for a fun holiday gift idea, SSMU EnviroCom will teach you how to knit your own (Tuesday Nov 22nd)
- o We're beginning to plan the SPOKES Conference now → save the date: Feb 4th

SACHA'S CORNER



Respectfully submitted,

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