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Steering Committee Report

Monday January 23, 2012

Present: Speaker of Council, President Knight, VP Clare, VP Fraser, Councillor Paterson, Councillor Crawford

Guest Speakers

- There will be no guest speaker for the January 26th meeting of Council
- For the February 9th meeting of Council, there are tentatively 2 guest speakers:
 - o Amy Vincent, SSMU Daycare presentation
 - o Student Inquiry Group presenting their findings of November 10th

New Business

- Discussion regarding the Judicial Board
- Committee elections to fill vacant spots on committees previously held by Councillors Kourilova, Ardakani and Wun, who have since submitted their resignations from Council
- Final reading of the Motion Regarding Elimination of Advanced Polling
- A notice of motion regarding an IGC policy on travel and charity-based clubs was submitted and brought to Steering Committee; however, it will be rewritten by the movers in proper policy format and resubmitted for the February 9th meeting of Council

Reports by Committees

- Councillors Niu and Crawford will present the Library Improvement Fund Committee report
- Interest Group Committee
- Senator Luke will present the Community Engagement Committee report
- During the Executive report, President Knight will make a presenting on the SSMU Mid-Year Survey results
- Senate Caucus will submit a written report for the February 9th meeting of Council

Other

- There will be a Board of Directors meeting during a scheduled recess during the January 26th meeting of Council
- On February 9th, President Knight will call for 2 meetings of Council
- There will be a confidential session on January 26th
- Justin Fletcher has been the elected the new Arts Representative to Council
- Echo Parent-Racine will replace Councillor Jean-Claude as the Social Work Representative to Council
- Discussion on whether Justice Raphael from the Judicial Board should speak at Council about his potential conflict-of-interest in the ongoing J-Board case; he be asked to submit a written statement to be distributed amongst Council



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 The SSMU Equity Policy has been revamped and will be brought to the next Steering Committee for review

General Assembly Motions

- 8 motions were submitted for the Winter 2012 General Assembly to be held on February 1st
- All 8 motions were deemed constitutionally appropriate, approved and placed on the agenda for the GA
- Most motions were edited for semantics and grammar; the movers of the motions have been contacted for approval of the edits

Respectfully submitted, Michael Tong on behalf of the Speakers of Council