



Students' Society of McGill University
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Steering Committee Report

November 7, 2011

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

Agenda

- Principal's visit to Council
 - Resignation of Councillor Love from Council
 - Social Work Students' Association re: 2 VP External
 - Councillor Attendance and Committee Reports
 - SSMU Committee Elections
 - Council Feedback
- 1) Heather Munroe-Blum has expressed interest in visiting Council as a guest speaker in the spirit of student consultation, but her schedule only permits attendance on Monday December 5th from 18h00 to 19h00
 - a. Discussion regarding the possibility to move her visit to a Council meeting in January 2010 as part of a "kick-off" to the winter semester
 - b. President Knight will email Linda Webb suggesting alternate dates/times for the remaining Fall Council dates
 - 2) Councillor Love has resigned from the Legislative Council and in congruence his position on the Steering Committee
 - a. The Theology Undergraduate Student Association (TUSA) will let us know as soon as possible who will sit in the vacant spot of Council for the Religious Studies Representative
 - b. Speakers will email TUSA (catherine.anthony@mail.mcgill.ca) to facilitate finding a replacement
 - 3) The Social Work Student Association (SWSA) has 2 VP External, and Councillor Jean-Claude was wondering if the other VP External can sit on Council/sit in for him on his SSMU committees
 - a. Discussion: can be problematic if 2 people are interchanging a seat on Council; undergraduate societies that have 2 VP External should coordinate to have one as the SSMU Representative
 - b. If the other SWSA VP External signs a confidentiality agreement, Councillor Jean-Claude can discuss SSMU matters with her
 - 4) Speakers will follow up with the Dentistry Representative regarding his attendance at Council
 - 5) Committees that have not submitted reports/commissioners that would like to present at a Fall Council meeting:
 - a. Finance – December 1st
 - b. External affairs – November 17th
 - c. FERC – November 17th
 - d. SSPN – November 17th
 - e. Francophonie – November 17th
 - f. LIFC – December 1st



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- g. Environment – December 1st
 - h. Equity – December 1st
 - i. Funding committee – at every Council
- 6) Speakers will send out a reminder email for Councillor reports prior to the deadline
 - 7) Committee elections to be held on November 17th
 - a. Councillors Hernandez, Uribe and Lessard will be elected to committees (those with vacant seats and/or those permitting additional members)
 - b. Committees
 - c. Committees Interest Group Committee (1 vacant seat)
 - d. Steering Committee (2 vacant seats)
 - 8) Council feedback system
 - a. Implementation of a mid-year constructive feedback system for Councillors and the Executive
 - b. Will be open online before the last Council meeting of December 1st and stay open until a few days after (December 4th)
 - c. There will be 2 reports: feedback for other Councillors, and an update report from each Councillor on personal goals (including what one looks to achieve in the Winter semester)
 - 9) The Speakers will inform Councillors that the November 17th Council meeting will be themed as “SSMovember Council”

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