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# REPORT OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT (EXTERNAL AFFAIRS)

**January 11th, 2018**

## CAMPAIGNS

- Reworking Discover McGill Website
- Timeline / Goals / Creation of Drop Fees Not Bombs Campaign
  - Graphics / material creation
- Québec Student Movement Awareness campaign planning
- Organization of solidarity event
- Planning panel on 2012 for January 25th
- Hiring of Harmful Military Technology Researcher (w UA)

## REPRESENTATION & ADVOCACY

- Organizing AVEQ Congress (January 20th and 21st - here!)
- First meeting of ACPR (w UA)
  - Compiling of materials (google drive), planning, goals
  - Organizing AVEQ and UEQ presentations
- Bill 151
  - Open Letter
  - working with Our Turn and AVEQ to write recommendations for the guide that will accompany the bill

## COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

- Community Affairs Committee meeting
- Writing funding applications for Community Affairs project

- Developing open forum /meeting with residents to discuss noise complaints

## INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS

- Development of Indigeneity & Solidarity event series
  - 1 workshop, 1 film screening, 1 panel, 1 speaker (Chelsea Vowel), 1 meet and greet
  - First event on Monday! Come come come! This film is so important!!
- Developing workshop
- Booking for conference in March

## OTHER

- Hiring of Sexual Violence Policy Project Coordinator and Advisor
- Governance reform organization
- Listserv
- Continuing to work on External Affairs website

## GOALS / PROJECTS FOR THE SEMESTER :

### **Indigenous Affairs**

- Stakeholder Contact Sheet as per mandate
- Guide for settler students
- Organizing annual Conference on March 24th
- Update / organizing of resources on External Website
- Meet and Greet on Feb 6th
- Presentations to Council and Executive
- Speaker events (3) and workshops (2) - one booked and ready for Feb. 20th
- Awareness campaign, materials on Indigenous Affairs at SSMU
- Development of Indigenous Affairs Workshop for groups, clubs, execs, members etc to be institutionalized

### **Union Affairs**

- Collaboration on anti-sexual violence work on campus
- Creating MoU with PGSS for future projects
- Creating MoU with QPIRG

### **Community Affairs**

- Final organizing of McGreen project to have its initial project run April 2018

- UTILE project - completion of survey, working with updates on the RVH space, helping Milton-Parc on consolidating the info from their survey, coming up with concrete proposals for next year
- Waste management awareness campaign w Councillor Norris (materials but also development of trainings for community members, especially Greek Life)
  - Raising awareness about the incoming compost project
- Working with Helene Brisson and the Dean of Students on creating a structure to deal with noise complaints as none currently exist outside of Frosh (Organizing open forum in new year)
- Research on how other universities are addressing community issues with frats

### **Campaigns**

- Launch of Drop Fees Not Bombs Campaign
- Continuing to support Divest, working on/with MAD
- Pushing the work of the Solidarity Action Network
  - McGill Activism party in January
- Anti-Far Right work on campus
- AVEQ Mob Camp and activist training on campus
- Updating and launching of Discover McGill website w EA Website
- Get McGill involved in the movement against unpaid internships happening in Montreal right now!
  - Workshop on Feb 6th and planning for day of action on Feb 20th
- Hiring of Harmful Military Technology Researcher (w UA)
- CCs work on archival project in April

### **External Affairs**

- Working with AVEQ, QCVS, and Our Turn on the creation of recommendations for the guide that will accompany Bill 151 // keeping up with Bill 151 in general
- Following the provincial election campaigns as they begin to prepare for training of new exec in case they are not from Qc as that will be one of the largest projects next year
- Run an awareness campaign on the Qc student movement and the importance of provincial representation (including panels, film screenings etc)
- Run a provincial representation affiliation referendum
- National Our Turn Committee (Vice-Chair)
- Host AVEQ Congress in January

### **Other**

- Launch of External Affairs Website
- Council Sleepover
- Our Turn Taskforce up and running
- Governance Document overhaul and visioning for SSMU's future
- Overseeing the SSMU Policy Project Positions and the union's anti-SV work
- Create a SSMU Positions book? Just something to make that info more accessible

- Develop actually good trainings for incoming execs!!