



REPORT OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT (UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS)

October 12th 2017

SENATE REPRESENTATION & SENATE CAUCUS

- Discussions between Senators about revisions to the Assessment Policy
- Senate Caucus met with the Dean of Students and Provost Manfredi
- I've been checking in with Senators for the past 2 weeks to talk about goals and support

RELATIONS WITH MCGILL/ MCGILL ADMINISTRATION

- Met with Provost Manfredi and talked about online courses and the University's current approach to austerity cuts. .
- Spoke with Dr Vera Romano, director of Counselling. Spoke about a caseworker position just filled/created. We will be getting feedback from folks in order to give Counselling a good idea of what the position should be covering in order not to let students fall through the cracks

RESEARCH

- After a meeting with Principal Fortier, the President and I have agreed to work together and work on a plan to increase international student retention and increasing "le French side" of McGill

COMMITTEES

- Attended the Committee on Student Services. Interesting discussion points: Re-evaluating the committee term of references and discussing the role of the committee in the development of the Student Services Strategic plan
- Doing Prep Reading for the SEDE cyclical Review, as I am sitting on the Review Committee

EQUITY

- The Equity committee met for the first time 2 Fridays ago.



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ACADEMIC ADVOCACY

- Support for youth in care: Preparing for the Blueprints conference next week by reading reports
 - Working on SPF application and will be hosting a brainstorm session with different university members
- Issue spotted by VP Academic at Education with class restrictions, if this is happening in any department in your school/faculty, please let me know!

LIBRARY IMPROVEMENT FUND

- Working with LIF commissioner to get more members-at-large members
- Revisiting the Terms of Reference to see if we can expand the scope of the fund

MISC

- Attended the First Board of Governors Meeting for this Academic Year on October 5th