



Report to Council  
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*“The soul becomes dyed by the colour of its thoughts” ~ Marcus Aurelius*

ALL of the things happened last week. Congrats to Mike for a super fun 4floors!

### **Research**

#### *Research Projects*

- Indigenous Studies Researcher → Had a good meeting with Brett and a few other key people last week – it's all very exciting!
- UI Research → Will be presenting this at the SEM conference in November
- Internal Protocol → SQ ARC and I are figuring out what to do with it. I will make it available to all the execs
- Mapping McGill/ Corporate Campus → SQ
- Sustainability and Equity Researcher → SQ

### **Senate**

- Went well. The student Senators asked really good questions, and we generally had good discussion on most topics. Great job by all the SSMU Senators!

#### *Senators*

- New Engineering Senator is Nikhil Srinidhi
- They're all working hard → going to committees and working on their projects.
- We all expressed similar frustration with Senate procedure.

#### *Committees*

- Had the first CESA meeting which went fine. It was the first time for a lot of us so we had a brief introduction which was good.
- APC Thursday was brief.
- Determining Nikhil's Committees
- Will be bringing new names to McGill nominating committee

#### *Greenbook Review*

- We will be setting up a meeting for sometime in the next 2 weeks

#### *UA Secretary General*

- SQ – working hard.

### **Libraries**

#### *LIF*



- Kira and I will be doing weekly Library trips with the goal of a) actually seeing every library, b) getting a general sense of how people use libraries and c) what can be improved. We visited Birks and Islamic Studies on Wednesday
- She's just received access to her email, so she'll be working hard to formulate the committee. Another call out with be sent in the listserv

#### *Friends of the Library*

- Gave opening remarks at the annual Shakespeare lecture which was absolutely fabulous! Actress Lucy Peacock spoke and was amazing.

#### **Equity**

##### *Equity*

- Due to the Equity Appeals process, the VP Clubs and Services cannot be the executive who serves as an Equity Officer.
- Therefore, Allison and I have spoken about this, we need to nominate someone else. It was decided at Exec that I will be the executive who is

#### **SSMU**

##### *Lease*

- SQ – President and GM and I had a good meet. And we also discussed it with Exec

##### *Consultation Fair*

- We'll be having a debrief meeting next week!

##### *Awards of Distinction*

- SQ

##### *MART (McGill Academic Round Table)*

- SQ

##### *QMUF*

- SQ.

##### *SARC*

- The terms of reference are being re-written and hopefully coming to this Council.

##### *Council*

- Policy committee is looking into everything and will have recommendations etc. by Monday.

##### *GA*



- What was great about the GA was that the mood stayed civil and that we had some interesting conversations.

#### *Bursaries*

- According to Prof. Mendelson, the fee that SSMU charges is collected by DAR and then goes to the Scholarships and Student Aid Office which is then administered to Students.
- The woman in his office who deals with these accounts, her name escapes me, will be contact me this week. She'll be sending me a full report of where the money has gone since the fee's implementation
- I told MJM that there at least needs to be more formal recognition that SSMU/ Student money is going back to students.

#### **Daycare**

##### *Updates*

- Going well!

#### **HR**

- Almost all Job evaluations are done
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#### **McGill**

##### *Principal's Advisory Committee*

- We are chugging along.

##### *Deputy Provost*

- Josh and I met with him last week and we had a very productive meeting.

##### *Provost*

- Josh and I are meeting with Prof. Masi this week.

##### *Quartier de l'Innovation*

- SQ

##### *Strategic Research Plan*

- Senators are forming their thoughts on this

##### *Undergraduate Outcomes*

- Meeting coming up in December. If any of you are interested in sitting on this working group, let me know!

##### *ASAP 2012*

- Had another chat about it at APC

Respectfully submitted,

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