



*Pleasure in the job puts perfection in the work.  
Aristotle (384 BC - 322 BC)*

**Report of the President to Council**  
**November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**Men's Hockey:** A dominant performance by Redmen Hockey against the University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT, get some consonants). My MVP: Maxime Langelier-Parent with three assists.

**Men's Basketball:** Big win against Bishop's (102-88). Fourth year guard Matt Thornhill dropped 35 points, was 4 of 5 from three-point land, grabbed 8 boards and 4 steals. Incredible.

**New Councillors:** Please welcome our newest additions, Sarah Lazure (FYC) and Myriam Zaidi (Arts). Connie Gagliardi (Arts) has been reappointed.

**Student Run Food Service Research Project:** After a very long process, this project has finally come together! Please come ask me about it if interested!

**H1N1 Vaccines:** These will not be happening on campus for logistical reasons, but McGill is making sure students are informed. Students 19 and under are currently eligible, and the general population is expected in the near future.

**Presidential Affairs Committee:** Because I had a four hour meeting of the Advisory Committee on the Selection of a Provost, I wasn't able to attend the meeting. However, the group met in my absence and was able to decide on some guiding principles. I have charged the Secretary General with several research assignments related to the project. I have added some members at large who were interested in constitutional review, I am open to adding another Councillor or two if there is interest.

**Presidential Roundtable:** The Presidents assembled on Tuesday evening. We had some leftover agenda items; a full summary will be given in person.

**Five Year Plan (FYP) for Sustainability:** We will be hearing an update from one of our Environment Commissioners, Maggie Knight. The FYP dictates that we must report our progress once per semester to Council to maintain accountability. There have been many interesting developments, so stay tuned.

**Cafeteria Sustainability Coordinator:** I have received a couple of applications, and will have already interviewed the candidates. Once I have the person, I will develop a work plan with them, and decide when they will start, and hours of operation.

**Environment Commissioner:** Arielle Jaffe will be leaving us at the end of this semester, so I am currently looking for a replacement. To maintain continuity, I am prioritizing internal candidates. I have received a few applications, and will look to finish interviews/hiring next week.



**Research Policy:** Spoke to Prof. William Foster in VP Dooley's absence about the Research Policy. Made several suggestions, he noted the issues. The problem is, he doesn't have control of it. In fact, he showed me documents that indicated specific clauses have been stuck by the P7.

**Board of Governors:** Lots of interesting business from the retreat and the last meeting. Most notably, these were McGill's approach to public policy, key performance indicators (KPI), and buildings. I am still awaiting my committee appointments.

**GA Report:** I have a first draft from Boris. We are very unique, I don't know if there are best practices in Quebec. Early indications are that we work the hardest to make the GA work. I will be figuring out how he can further direct the research.

**Presentation of the Master Plan:** This has been delayed until January. I can't speak to the confidential aspects, but McGill is always looking to acquire properties in the area.

#### Past Meetings

13<sup>th</sup> Board Retreat  
17<sup>th</sup> Deputy Provost  
19<sup>th</sup> Master Plan Presentation  
20<sup>th</sup> Alcohol Policy Consultant  
23<sup>rd</sup> MAUT Pre-BOG  
23<sup>rd</sup> Board of Governors  
24<sup>th</sup> Presidential Affairs Committee  
24<sup>th</sup> Presidential Roundtable  
25<sup>th</sup> Frosh Planning Meeting

#### Future Meetings

30<sup>th</sup> Chancellor's Reception  
1<sup>st</sup> Internal Governors Meeting (Principal, SG)  
1<sup>st</sup> Daycare Board  
2<sup>nd</sup> Provost Meeting  
2<sup>nd</sup> MAUT Pre-Senate  
2<sup>nd</sup> Senate  
4<sup>th</sup> Milton-Parc Holiday Fair  
8<sup>th</sup> (Final) Advisory Committee on the Selection of a Provost

Respectfully Submitted,

Ivan Neilson, President 2009-2010