



## REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT TO COUNCIL

27 MARCH 2014

Subtitle: Highlights of things I can remember doing other than dealing with the post-referendum fall-out.

Cat Fact: Cats only remember obstacles in their environment for about 10 minutes.

### COUNCIL AND COMMITTEES

*Executive Committee* – Report is on Vibe for March 17 and 24

*By-law Review Committee* – We had a meeting last week, and have focused on the By-law book for councillors, consolidating council procedures, the committee terms of reference, and other things into an additional book. The edits are going on and should be coming to council next week.

*Nominating Committee* – SSMU Awards applications were submitted tonight. I will be collating them and distributing them to members for tomorrow's meeting. I will not be in attendance but will provide notes to Councillors to review beforehand.

*Ad-hoc Sustainability Committee* – We met this week to discuss the work that has been going on as well as realistic expectations for next year WRT budget constraints. Claire and I worked on a canvassing survey today that we will be taking next week to speak to students about their wants and needs in the sustainability realm. This will inform the recommendation we will be making in our report on April 10<sup>th</sup>.

*Judicial Board* – The J-Board is accepting petitions and have also been reviewing their current statutes.

### MCGILL REPRESENTATION

*Senate* – This month was fairly boring. There were a few interesting responses from the APC regarding anonymous grading.

*University Teaching Labs Working Groups* – The final allocations for small projects was completed this week.



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*Alcohol Policy/Harm Reduction Committee* – The committee met for the first time in its new iteration. The Alcohol Policy Advisory Committee will take on a broader role to address issues of harm and general promotion of positive spaces on campus.

*BoG – SQ*

*MAA Board* – The final meeting of the year was last night. The board looked over the proposal for the alumni engagement and student engagement groups which will be committees of the new board structure. It's really exciting that the student voice will be more broad and more focused in this new structure.

*Vision 2020* – I was unable to go to steering this morning because I was double booked. They got the strategy approved by P7 which is great! The steering direction has changed most likely, so I will need to see the minutes from today and follow up 😊

## SSMU STUFF (NEED A BETTER TITLE FOR THIS SECTION)

*Elections SSMU* – Shout out to Ben Fong who has not stopped working for like a month at this point, and who is still hanging in there. The elections results are available online.

*Handbook* – The handbook editor was in today for her first meeting with our IT and Communications director. Her timeline are pretty tight, but the theme that we have chosen for the handbook for next year is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Building. How apt. (And I promised we picked that well before the fee problem)

*Red & White* – REGISTRATION IS OPEN U GUYS!!! Met this week with the core group, the people from the QI, locked down the field house (LOL tho) and worked with Sam Gregory to talk about promo. I'm excited but there is a lot of work to be done. Remember to sign up before the April 1 early-bird deadline!!