



Students' Society of McGill University
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Office of the Vice-President (External Affairs)
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Report to Legislative Council

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Community relations:

Community Ambassadors

-Personal security training will take place next week. Contracts have still not been received by ambassadors (despite many prompts on my part), so a letter of complaint was written to the Dean of Students and to the Deputy Provost.

TaCEQ:

-Big news: REMDUS is having a referendum from Dec. 3rd-5th to leave TaCEQ. According to my sources, there is a pretty high likelihood that it passes. The referendum was prompted by a GA motion due to REDMUS members' frustration with many of the things surrounding TaCEQ, such as the cancellation of the congress and how slow the mandate for translation of the website and règlements généraux has taken.

-Working with SSMU political attaché Julien Benoît on research to do with SSMU's past memberships in student associations and TaCEQ back in 2009. This will serve as a resource to councilors and the external affairs committee, and allow us to strategize our future after REMDUS holds its referendum.

-Meeting this Sunday at SSMU! Starts at 11am, Room 108. It will only be a *table*, and no board will be held (it's been postponed), because one of the administrators cannot make it. Everyone is invited to attend, if only for a part.

Inter-Union Council

-Labour Week is happening all throughout the week of Nov. 4th! Check out details at <https://www.facebook.com/events/599339180122998/> or <http://interunionvoicemcgill.com/>

Committees

Community Engagement:

-Met last week and it was a success! (Except for Rohan not being there, we missed you bud). Many ideas were spun, and the main one that recurred throughout was aggregating already existing events that do community engagement in one place. Next meeting is planned for next Tuesday.



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External Affairs

-We were unable to meet last week, and a meeting is currently being scheduled for next week.

Municipal Affairs

-Late to this evening's council due to CSU-SSMU-GSA-PGSS Municipal Plateau debate. Oral update.

Campaigns

-Call-out for members at large for ad-hoc charter of values campaign was sent out on this week's listserv. Looking for councilors and senators to get on board too! (Councillor Benrimoh?). Working on letters to be sent to Premier Marois et. al.

Varia

-Met with AGSEM Executive to discuss major issues of this year and points of common interest.
-Attended press conference last week of Higher Education, Science, Research, and Technology Minister, Pierre Duchesne for the launch of the *politique nationale de la recherche et de l'innovation*.

Submitted with class,

Samuel Harris, VP External