



Students' Society of McGill University
Association étudiante de l'Université McGill

Office of the Vice-President (External Affairs)
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Report to Legislative Council

March 27th, 2014

Community relations:

- St. Patrick's weekend street teams went fairly well. Unfortunately we had almost all our volunteers for the Sunday, which was very quiet, and didn't get any on Monday. But we didn't get any negative feedback about noise in the neighbourhood.
- Next event is a community clean-up when the snow melts. Details are still being worked out.

TaCEQ:

- And we're gone! Moving out (of TaCEQ) day is June 1st.
- AELIÉS' departure was ratified at the last Table on Saturday. We also had the other two Board members step down.
- In two weeks (or so), we will have a TaCEQ GA to rewrite the règlements généraux and appoint a new Board, which I will not sit on. CADEUL has taken on the task of re-writing the règlements généraux and of appointing three of their members to the new Board. The new reg. gens. will be fairly simple and focus on TaCEQ following through with its involvement in the Laurent Proulx court case (should it continue). When the case ends, TaCEQ, as a corporation, will be dissolved.
- Secretary-General Paul-Antoine Cardin will also be finishing after this week, which leaves TaCEQ with 0 out of 3 Sec-Gens, and 1 employee, who is helping out with the finances and administration.
- There is not much left for SSMU to do. We will be writing a letter to the other associations in order to maintain cordial relations, as well as one to send to the office of the Minister of Higher Education, after the election.
- Focus now for the rest of my term is how to build external relations outside TaCEQ. Fun times.

Committees:

Community Engagement:

- The 1st annual Campus Community Engagement Awards happened yesterday! Attendance was fairly low, but it was really good to have them and it will be



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awesome to build off of the event for years to come! Congrats to Senator/VP UA-elect Stewart-Kanigan for winning the Community Activism Award!

External Affairs:

Hasn't met recently. You guys wanna, like, hang out?

Campaigns

Bill 60 aka. Charter of Gnomes

-Our event for this happened Tuesday: The Role of Personal Religion in the Classroom, with a panel of 6 profs. It was great!

-Press release by student associations against the Charter is still a work in progress.

Oral update.

Divest McGill

-Have fun in Halifax for PowerShift! Unfortunately I would be way too tired to go.

Provincial Election

-We've dealt with the out-of-province student voter registration issue through media interviews and helping people seeking it in that situation. I met with CSU to discuss how they were dealing with the situation, and we were thinking of writing a joint release, but we haven't gotten around to that yet.

-Appeared in a CSU video for getting out the vote. Hopefully it will be coming out soon!

Varia

-Endorsed a public statement by the *Ligue des droits et libertés* condemning the mass arrests and kitting that occurred on March 15th at the March Against Police Brutality, as per the motion we passed in this regard last year (in April).

-Good luck playing against me in Ultimate Frisbee on Friday, Councillor Lowery.

Submitted with class,

Samuel Harris, Your VP External Forever Until June