



Report of the President to Legislative Council

12th of February, 2015

Student Democracy & Constituencies

- Board of Directors
 - BoD meeting earlier today
 - Daycare GA!
- Judicial Board
 - GA JBoard Case:
 - Waiting for recommendations from Jboard
 - Jboard has requested that we amend our factum to focus more on Roberts Rules in order to help them with their recommendations
- Council
 - Please be sure to regularly check your SSMU emails! This is the email on the SSMU website that members and the press will use when trying to contact you
- Faculty Relations
 - Meeting with the affiliated associations soon! Yay!
 - Connected student advocacy service with faculty associations to help them with MoA negotiations!!
 - Update: Student Advocacy is checking with their Board of Directors to ensure that they can do this
- MCSS, PGSS, and MACES
 - SSMU-MCSS Meeting at Mac
 - Straw poll -
 - SSMU-PGSS Joint Summit – topic: austerity
 - Meeting with PGSS weekly to plan this!
 - Logistics have been organized. Now finalizing the 3 motions that will come to the Joint Summit
 - Jan 23, 6-8:30pm in the Thompson House ballroom! Dinner will probably be provided
- Elections SSMU
 - Nomination period has opened!
 - The GM and SSMU HR are working hard to get us a new CEO and DEO. See NomCom report
 - NomCom members at large still needed
 - Already sent listserv announcement and posted onto SSMU Facebook
- General Assembly
 - March 15!
 - Finally received confirmation from McGill about booking earlier this week



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- Working out cost of booking, porter, security, and cleaning fees
 - Deadline for motions = Feb 25
 - Giving Steering Committee time to meet, review the motions, and give feedback to movers
- Will be putting out a callout for volunteers soon
 - I will need staffing help from all of the Councillors and Senators!
- Buying 2 more scanners so getting people in and out faster
- Governance Document Review
 - By-Law review commissioners have started! They are reviewing the current By-laws and compiling all changes that need to be made. I meet with them every other week
 - Priority projects right now are Jboard and Board of Directors.
 - Scheduling BLRC for sometime next week
- SSMU Handbook / Agenda
 - SQ
- Media
 - TVM requested an interview for a piece that they are doing on international students deregulation of tuition

McGill Governance & Relations

- Board of Governors
 - Meeting last Monday
 - Agenda - http://www.mcgill.ca/boardofgovernors/files/boardofgovernors/bog_agenda_feb_2_2015w.pdf
 - Board Student Forum
 - 4-7pm on February 19 in the Thompson House basement
 - Inviting a bunch of SSMU groups – CURE, BSN, Robotics, SAP WG
 - Sent to BoG members: “The event will not only provide an opportunity to learn about fascinating initiatives led by student associations and groups from all around campus, it will also serve as a chance for students to further learn about the work of the Board and its Committees, and to engage in dialogue on matters of interest to the McGill community. In the spirit of strengthening relationships throughout the community, we strongly encourage all of you to attend. The event program will be provided in the near future.”
 - CAMSR
 - Meeting at 8am next Thursday to discuss the Divest petition
 - Buildings Properties Committee – BPC
 - Visited MUHC Glen site
- Senate
 - Academic Policy Committee – APC



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- Meeting today! Approved a few new programs (minors, exchange, etc.)
- Alumni Association
 - SQ
- Campus Life and Engagement
 - SQ
- Memorandum of Agreement
 - Will present lessons learned doc in a month
- Administration
 - Meeting with Principal and DP SLL postponed until later this month
- U21 Student Leaders' Network
 - Amina and I are going to Singapore at the end of February for a U21 SLN meeting – will need to miss the next Council ☹
 - <http://www.universitas21.com/event/details/222/student-leaders-network-meeting>

Human Resources & Executive

- Student Staff
 - Recruitment for 2015-2016 student staff has started!
<https://careers.smartrecruiters.com/StudentSocietyMcGillUniversity>
 - Moved Secretary General GA and Events into the VP Internal portfolio for future years
- Permanent Staff
 - SQ
- Executives
 - We went on retreat this past weekend!

Sustainability

- Green Staff
 - Looking into amending Green events coord and Green building coord job descriptions
 - Composting campaign! Article in the Daily about it:
 - <http://www.mcgilldaily.com/2015/02/ssmu-promotes-composting-program/>
 - Green Events Coord is working on a Sustainability Case Competition
- Assessment
 - SQ
- Sustainability Committee
 - Over 300 people have been surveyed!! Woot!!!
 - Incentivizing participation in survey with 2 \$25 giftcards to the Nest
 - Committee meeting every Monday, switching between 11:30am and 5:30pm.
 - Planning on running a consultation event at ECOLE in the next month where the research that the political atache did last semester will be presented
- Environment Committee



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- Running a zero waste week
 - <https://www.facebook.com/events/1539687896303433/>



Respectfully submitted,
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SSMU PGSS Joint Summit

DATE: 6pm Feb 18 or 23

TASK	DEADLINE	BOTTOMLINER
Determine date	Jan 29	
Joint Exec to compile and determine priorities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QC Austerity • McGill budget 	Jan 29 – Feb 4	Courtney – doodle Julien O – list
Draft joint statement	1 st draft: Feb 10 2 nd draft: Feb 12	Conor and Julien B
Space	Jan 29	Courtney
Food	Jan 29	Julien O
Technology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • File management – GoogleDrive? Ubriety? • AV • Livestream? 	Feb 5 Ubriety	Courtney Julien + Amy
Circulate joint statement	Feb 13	Nida and Rachel
Announcement	Jan 30	Rachel and Nida
Reminder	Feb 6, 13, 20?	Rachel and Nida



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Brainstorm - student priorities

- Regarding QC Austerity
 - Reaffirm stand of opposition
 - Commit to formation and support of McGill mobilization committee
 - Draft brief statement of purpose and ethics
 - Demands
 - Means
 - Target groups
 - Professors
- Regarding McGill budget
 - SSMU and PGSS demand the university to prioritize the following in their budget planning:
 - Maintaining a diversity of course offerings because
 - Student services
 - Mental Health and Counseling
 - Tutoring
 - Scholarships / financial aid
 - Academics
 - Research opportunities and funding
 - Course offerings
 - Class sizes
 - TA hours
 - Experiential learning
 - Internships
 - Prof salaries / funding (keeping them high enough that good profs will stay at McGill)
 - Harm reduction program
 - Libraries
 - Access to journals
 - Study space
 - Maintaining student space on campus
- Students and McGill jointly stand against provincial austerity measures