



Report of the Vice-President (University Affairs) to Legislative Council March 12th, 2015

► Mental Health

Mental Health Portfolio Updates:

- Worked with Mental Health Coordinator to revise Mental Health Five-Year Plan and job description for presentation at today's Council
- Mental Health Coordinator will be reporting at Council on March 26th
- How-to guide progress ongoing

► Equity

Equity Portfolio Updates:

- Equitable Hiring project met before Reading Week & today
 - on track; will be presenting at SSMU Equity Conference & March 26th Council
- Equity Policy review:
 - met for mega-meeting on March 11th
 - consultation with other social justice-oriented groups ongoing re: conflict resolution processes ongoing
 - goal: present at ~~March 12th~~ March 26th Council for first reading
- Equity Conference extended submission deadline to March 12th (today!)

► Libraries

Libraries Portfolio Update:

- LIFC Bylaw revisions received by Bylaw Commissioners; requesting review at BRC
- LIFC allocation meeting is this Friday; strong number of student projects

► Senate

Senate Portfolio Updates:

- Questions submitted for March Senate:
 - Question Regarding the Allocation of Government Funding for Students with Disabilities (accepted)
 - Question Regarding Disparities in Ratios of Faculty Advisors to Students (accepted)
 - Question Regarding Tuition Discrimination based on Civil Status (referred to Legal Services)
- Contacted future Provost Manfredi re: attending Senate Caucus
- Working Group to Review the Regulation on the Conduct of Research will be presenting final report in April Senate



► Academic Research & Policy Projects

Portfolio Updates:

- Senator Greenspon and I are this week to finish the Fall Reading Week survey for circulation in mid-March
 - meeting with Enrolment Services to work through new modelling options (November & October breaks)
- short SSMU policies to write before end of year: ~~family care policy~~, consent campaign support policy (mandated by Council; will write for 26th), & military research policy
- SAP Updates:
 - revised SAP heavily to rights-based framework for last week's scheduled Deans' Working Group (cancelled, moved to "very soon")
 - met with MUNASA this Wednesday re: SAP; will be meeting again next Wednesday
 - presented to EUS for endorsement on Monday and AUS on Wednesday
 - endorsements received from both!
 - happy to present at other councils in future weeks
- working heavily on Traditional Territory Acknowledgment Policy
 - presented at Joint Board-Senate Committee on Equity pre-Reading Week
 - working up Executive Summary document for presentation to community members
 - was seeking for For Information presentation at March Senate and For Approval at April Senate, but looks like it may be April For Information and For Approval in May
 - will be meeting with McGill Legal Services over next few weeks

► Other

- Hot Button Issue Conference complete!
- Lawrence Hill complete!
 - ~250 peoples; many non-students and community members
- Other: media response re: women's hours
 - spoke with CBC re: Women's Hours during Reading Week; referred other media requests to campaigning students
 - students met with Athletics today and are working towards a compromise solution; liaising with students consistently

Respectfully submitted,
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