



SENATE CAUCUS WEEKLY REPORT WEEK OF JANUARY 18-24, 2016

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Senate

Committee on Student Grievances

- SQ

JBSCE Subcommittee on Queer Equity

- The committee is interested in gathering feedback on courses that could potentially fulfill a program requirement in diversity & equity
- If you want to help please fill out the form: <http://goo.gl/forms/r6oqpo35tu>

Advisory Committee on the Charter for Student Rights

- SQ

Subcommittee of the APC on Teaching and Learning

- SQ

Ad-Hoc Committee to Review the Charter on Student Rights

- SQ

Advisory Committee on the Possible Reappointment of the Dean of Students

- Attended the first meeting and it was very productive! Next steps are for me to try to gather more student feedback for the process! I sent out Listserv submissions.
- February 16th

Committee on Student Services

- Meeting on January 12th has been cancelled was rescheduled during one of my courses

Know Your Rights Working Group

- SQ

Ad-Hoc Working Group on Employment Equity



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- Met with the Associate Provost (Policies, Procedures, and Equity), Secretary-General, and several Professors to discuss the design of the Open Discussion on Employment Equity in February
- One more meeting will happen before the next Senate meeting to finalize a number of details

AUS

Committee on Student Affairs

- Next meeting is on February 10th

Accountability Committee

- SQ

Faculty of Arts Committee

- Next meeting is January 26th
- I have a class conflict

SSMU

Student Society Programming Network

- Chaired Week 101 last week
- Thanks to anyone who came!

MISC

- Asked the Chair of the Department of Political Science to consider using the default period for course evaluations
- Helping to organize a speaker panel on employment equity
- I have draft versions of two senate questions written let me know if you're interested!
 - Course Outlines
 - Final Exam Regulations
 - Erin submitted some edits and I plan to go over them and submit at least one question for the February meeting!

Erin Sobat

Arts Senator

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Employment Equity

- Assisted with editing research report, drafting press release & media promotion plan
- Panel on "Diversity in Academia" this Thursday, January 28th at 6pm (Arts 160):
<https://www.facebook.com/events/949883245107155/>
- Preparing for Senate Open Discussion Employment Equity (February 17th)



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Smoking Policy Working Group

- Met with campus administrators on Monday, January 18th
- Met to draft outreach & consultation strategy on Friday, January 22nd
- Focus Groups for Smokers: Thursday, February 4th (2:00-3:00pm) and Friday, February 5th (2:30-3:30pm) – RSVP at <http://goo.gl/forms/qjgrR42iqr>
- Town Hall on Smoking Policy Proposals: Tuesday, February 9th (5:30pm) in the SSMU Madeleine Parent Room
- Additional tabling & outreach as needed, presentation at Winter GA (February 22nd)

Senator Role Promotion & Communication

- Met with Benjamin & Chloe on Thursday, January 21st
- Brainstormed reporting & web communications strategy
- Senator Information Session planned for Thursday, February 4th (6:00pm) in LEA 26

University Affairs Research Competition

- Interviewing shortlisted candidates this week
- Projects to span February through April

Nominating Committee

- Interviewed Judicial Board candidates with HR Coordinator & General Manager

AUS HR Committee

- Met with Co-Chairs on Friday, January 22nd
- Drafted action plan for remainder of Winter term

Full report can be found here: <http://ausmcgill.com/wp/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Arts-Senator-Report-January-27.pdf>

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No new updates.

Parvesh Chainani

Education Senator

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ESAAC Assessment Subcommittee was supposed to meet on Monday, 17th January. However, due to an unforeseen circumstance, it got postponed till February 7th.

No other updates.



Joshua Thon

Engineering Senator

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Upcoming University Health and Safety Committee meeting was postponed. No new business this week.

Benjamin Brunot

Law Senator

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Met with Erin and Chloe on Accountability and Reporting of the Senate Caucus to the student body and on the future senators' corner web page.

Deven Sanon

Management Senator

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(Out of town for the week)

David Benrimoh

Medicine Senator

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Was at Residency interviews this week, and therefore not as productive as usual. I attended Senate Caucus. I submitted the Smoke-free campus plebiscite question for council review, and corrected it as per the Parliamentarian's comments. I met with the smoking on campus working group and we planned out town halls and smoker focus groups ahead of the plebiscite.

I also reviewed and commented on the changes to the innovation fund terms of reference (corrected one typo).

*Dixi, et salvavi animam meam
I have spoken, and thus saved my soul*

David Benrimoh, Medicine Senator

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Julie Choi

Music Senator

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- Attended the mandatory meeting for advisory board representatives
 - Discussed possible application ideas for the Innovation fund
 - Discussed issues both short and long term that should be addressed with the student services
- Attended a meeting for Advisory Committee for the selection of a Dean of the Schulich School of Music
 - Reviewed more applications, came up with a long-shortlist (to be reduced even more at our next meeting; hopefully interviewing 4)
 - Tentative interview dates set for end of February
- Attended the first meeting of 2016 with the Music Undergraduate Students' Association
 - MUSA budget for 2015-2016 academic year
 - Music Winter Formal
 - Discussed the SSMU Vote Yes campaign; endorsement to be discussed when all members are present
 - Including a blurb in the next listserv regarding the innovation fund to get student feedback

Kathleen Chu

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NUS Executive meeting

- When and how to elect FRESQue rep

NUS Clinical peer support groups

- Sent out student survey on clinical experience to U2 BScN and support measures known and used
- Planning for meetings with course coordinator to address matter
- restart peer support groups from last semester in second week of February

NUS constitution revisions meeting

Marina Smailes



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Science Senator

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Attended SUS General Council and requested that students interested in asking Manfredi, Dyens or Fortier questions should send them on to me. Joined the SSMU Vote Yes for a Fee Increase campaign team.

Josefina Zalba

MacDonald Campus Students' Society (MCSS) Senator

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- Attended MCSS Council meeting and discussed MOA, Club issues, website, Giving Day, greenhouses being open as study space, etc.
- VP BOC resignation and reelection.
- AESUS is planning Green Week!
- MACTion took place, good turn-up.
- MCGSS to possibly offer Wilderness First Aid Course.

Senators Kareem Ibrahim (SSMU President, president@ssmu.mcgill.ca) and Chloe Rourke (SSMU VP University Affairs, ua@ssmu.mcgill.ca) reports biweekly to the SSMU Council. Their reports can be found at this link: <http://ssmu.mcgill.ca/representation/ssmu-legislative-council/council-documents-2015-2016/>.