



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

Office of the Vice-President (External Affairs)
Bureau du Vice-président (affaires externes)

VP External's Report to Council

January 12th, 2017

External Affairs

- **AVEQ**

Member's Assembly this weekend – leaving tomorrow afternoon, read the documents for the meeting

Mobilization committee: had a meeting on Monday

AVEQ has been invited to take part in consultations with the provincial government on a law concerning sexual assault policies on university campuses; have approached SACOMSS about participating

Community Action Fund committee: had a meeting last week

Drafted the terms of reference for the fund, detailing the application and approval process

I've been compiling a list of relevant students groups in universities across the province who may be interested in applying to the fund

Campaigns

- **McGill Against Austerity: tabling at Activities Night went well**
- **Drafted new introductory material for the campaign; designed a new logo**
- **Came out in opposition to the hosting of Conservative Party leadership candidate Kellie Leitch in Montreal**
- **Divest McGill: Had a general meeting on Monday, will have a Divest 101 next Monday. In general looking to organize more monthly events/fundraisers for anti-pipeline work.**

External: international day of action on the 23rd (organized by 350.org) – we won't be formally promoting the event on campus but we'll be coming out in support of it

Alumni: preparations for the diploma returning ceremony is underway. We're looking to get a prominent McGill alumni to speak at the event.

Admin: Divest members had a meeting with members of Board of Governors to talk about the BoG meeting that Divest attended in October

Union Affairs

- **Inter-union Council had a meeting yesterday, partly to debrief following the ratification of AMUSE's collective agreement (84%), but mostly to reaffirm its commitment to meet regular with the goal of mobilizing, promoting solidarity among campus unions, and fostering labour consciousness**



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

Office of the Vice-President (External Affairs)
Bureau du Vice-président (affaires externes)

Independent Student Campaigns

- **McGill Solidarity Action Network: finished drafting the first listserv of the Network – will be sent out shortly to people who signed up for it (message me if you'd like to get on it) and will organize a second meeting in the next couple weeks**

With love and solidarity,

David Aird