



# REPORT OF THE VICE—PRESIDENT (OPERATIONS)

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## CAMPUS SPACE PLANNING

- SCPD
  - Initial plans for the Vic were announced, supposedly going to be a new home for the school of environment and schools of public policy
  - Planning on getting rid of the row houses on Peel and University
- Campus Night Walk through security corridors take 2
  - Did upper campus include residences, field house, hockey arena, McIntyre, Law
  - Pointed out a number of issues (ex: burnt-out lights, construction barriers, etc)
- Construction Check-in
  - DPSLL open to the idea of doing accessibility training for the foreman and site managers
  - I’ll now be attending the bi-weekly working group meetings on construction to get a better picture of what’s going on and speak directly to project managers
- Construction task-force
 

*Background: This is a biweekly meeting with project managers and stakeholders organized by campus security to address accessibility and safety issues due to ongoing construction*

  - Directly addressed a number of issues that were brought up last week (the 1/3 ft lip on the pathway across Mctavish by the Gerts side door, no ramps onto the sidewalk on Sherbrooke, flood lights on Dr. Penfield to improve safety after hours)



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- #CallOutConstruction
  - Live as of last week
  - Lots of reach, not a lot of action. Hopefully more this week
- I have some leads on new spaces for student groups. However, these spaces would require that either the group or SSMU pay for rent. I'm actively looking into this to see which groups could afford their own spaces if needed and what budget we might have to house student groups outside our building. More info to come later in the academic year.

## BUILDING AFFAIRS

- Bom-Com projects that were adopted:
  - Combining the doors on the S1 level → completed
  - Wheelchair accessible bathroom mirrors → ordered
  - Club /day lockers → to be ordered tomorrow
  - Cubbies for clubs → quote 1 obtained, quote 2 in process
  - 20 ft mounted projector & screen for the ballroom → in progress
  - New Booths for Gerts → in progress
- Notable others:
  - Indigenous art Mural/3D installation → a proposal will be drafted based on consultation
  - Student lounge on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor in the south-side cafeteria → we felt that as the student lounge on the first floor was recently redone, it was more fair to invest elsewhere this year and to wait until a following year to complete this project (which would consume nearly  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the BOMCOM space fee)
- Building space usage audit
  - I've created a researcher position to examine the space usage of the SSMU building. This individual will produce a report that details space usage as a percentage of total floor area of the building
  - This information will be used to identify our current usage and will be used as a resource to develop a long term building plan

## STUDENT-RUN CAFÉ

- Negotiations with DPSLL
  - Agreed to add the SRC to the registered catering provider list for the building (organized through procurement services)
  - Agreed to allow us to advertise outside the building on campus
  - Did not agree to allow catering outside the building (but student groups can come to SSMU to pick up pre-ordered food)
- Vending machines & card-readers
  - Worked out a tentative deal that could bring card readers to the SRC for next fall
  - This would be paid for by using McGill vending machines, which is expected to bring us higher commission as they have credit-card readers and accept one-card
- October numbers have come in, Niall and I are in the process of crunching the data



## SUSTAINABILITY

- **MOoS on Friday (11.25)**
  - Spoke about vision 2020, regarding if there were holes in the consultation method
  - My only concern is that action teams only include individuals who are already on-board with sustainability
  - If anyone would like to speak in more detail about this, please direct your questions to me or speak to me after council
- Looking into the possibility of organizing an environment round table to organize all the sustainability groups across campus to pool resources when possible and align goals
- **Indigenous Art Project:**
  - Erin chaired the meeting with Professor Meadwell. We discussed a number of important points such as artist compensation, potential funding from McGill, and funding schemes.
  - Our new target is for Indigenous Solidarity week in March (13<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>)

## SACHA'S CORNER

### Where was this taken?



Respectfully submitted,

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