



# REPORT OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT (STUDENT LIFE)

**NOVEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2016**

## **CLUBS**

- A second round of Club Workshops is currently taking place this week.
- The Club Administrative Assistant is now working on emailing building directors of other buildings on campus to learn about room booking policies, as they vary depending on the building. We hope to complete a project that was previously started in Winter 2016 to work on getting room bookings for student groups in buildings on campus free of charge.
- The Club Commissioner and I met with SSMU's Graphic Designer to discuss the layout for the Club Workshop Handbook. It will be completed the week of November 21<sup>st</sup> at which point I can send the electronic .pdf to club executives.
- The Club Committee discussed potential ways to integrate club members onto the Co-Curricular Record. See Report of the Club Committee for more details.
- As a note, Winter Activities Night will be taking place on January 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM on both dates. Registration for tabling will be sent out soon via the Clubs and Services Listserv.

## **SSMU SERVICES**

- Met with BSN on Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, to discuss the best process for filling out their Independent Worker Contract cheque requests.
- As a reminder, vote yes for the creation of a Musician's Collective fee and for the renewal of Midnight Kitchen's fee!
- Services Review Committee is still in the process of auditing each of the SSMU Services.



## INDEPENDENT STUDENT GROUPS

- Due to scheduling conflicts, I have had to miss CKUT's last Board Meeting and their last HR Committee meeting.
- Met with the General Manager and the Vice-President (Operations) to discuss Independent Student Group leases and agreements.

## MENTAL HEALTH

- The Happy Lights Lending program is up and running; if you would like to borrow a SAD lamp simply drop by the SSMU Front Desk and leave a \$40 deposit.
- Mental Health Round Table took place on Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>. Peer support groups were able to discuss how they contribute to mental health initiatives and how they are resources for students. Representatives from Mental Health and from Counselling were there to learn more about what each student service does and the best ways to refer students to their networks.
- [SSMU Mental Health movie night](#) is taking place on Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> in the SSMU Student Lounge; we'll be screening *Inside Out* and offering free snacks, so be sure to drop by!

## STUDENT SERVICES

- The Committee on Student Services met on Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. We got reports from each of the working groups and approved additional funding for an app that CaPS is working on which is meant to better prepare students for their life post-university.
- Met with Cara Piperni on Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, to talk about offering a presentation to students in peer support networks to learn first-hand about the changes in Mental Health and Counselling. This is scheduled to take place on Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- I also addressed concerns regarding the "same" Mental Health and Counselling websites; I was assured that someone was working on integrating the information from both of those sites into one.
- Collaboration Matters Working Group met on Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, where we determined that our survey regarding collaboration within Student Services would be sent out before the end of the semester.



## **FAMILY CARE**

- The first [Study Saturday](#) will be happening this Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>! If you have any contact with student parents, let them know this program exists!
- I got in touch with SEDE's Family Care Coordinator and we are going to discuss some ideas we have that we'd like to submit to the Library Improvement Fund to make libraries on campus friendlier to students with dependents.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

- SSMU General Assembly was last Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>. Take a look at the [Daily](#) and the [Tribune's](#) coverage and don't forget to "like" Vice-President (University Affairs)'s [cover photo](#).
- I attended an Enrollment Services feedback session on Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Don't forget to [vote yes](#) for the creation of a fee which would provide free menstrual care products on campus!
- I took over McGill Women in Leadership's snapchat today, so who wants to take a selfie?

**Respectfully submitted,**

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