



GA Report President

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Overview

- What is the President's Role?
 - Governance
 - Leadership and Support
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What is the President's Role?



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Governance



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Role -- Governance

- Enforce the Constitution and Internal Regulations of the Society
- Governance document support
- Council orientation
- Policy Development
- Chair SSMU Board of Directors, Executive Committee



Legislative Council + Governance Document Updates

- General governance documentation updates
- Legislative Council Updates
 - Letter on food services on campus
 - Policy/Internal Regulation updates
 - Adoption of conflict of interest policy
 - Letter on Deputy Provost discussion



Committee Involvement

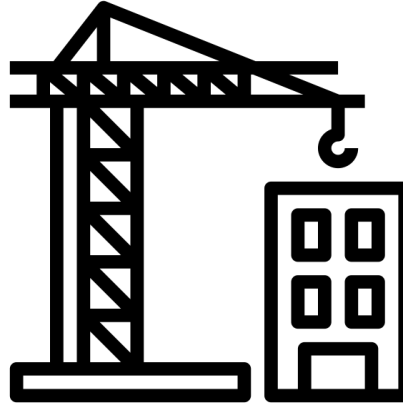
- Health and Dental Review -- Chair
 - Recommendations at next council
- Building and Operations Committee -- Chair
 - Recommendations at next council
- Governance Reform -- Chair
 - Recommendations in late March
- Fall Reading Week (Member)
 - Recommendation at first March council
- Steering (Member)



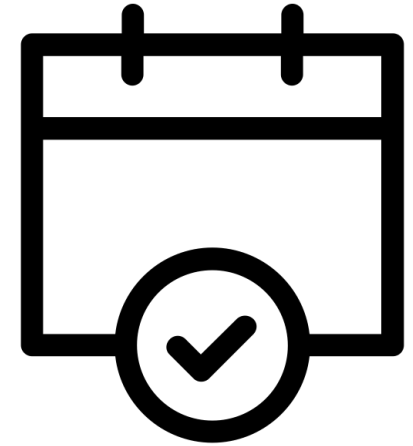
Committee Major Achievements



Psychology
coverage to
\$1,000



3501 Peel as
student
services hub



FRB
recommendation
to McGill in April



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Leadership and Support



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Role - Leadership and Support

- Chief Officer and Spokesperson
- Institutional knowledge
- Faculty relations
- Maintain relations between Society and McGill administration



Faculty Relations

- Furthering development of Involvement Restriction policy
 - Currently at SSMU legal stage
- Presentations at Faculty councils in the next week/early March to discuss SSMU and collaborations
- Accessible for any inquiries from faculty leadership



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Advocacy and Representation



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Role - Advocacy and Representation

- McGill Senate representation
- McGill Board of Governors representation
- Work with various McGill departments on student interests



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Senate/Admin Representation

- Senate
 - Sexual Violence Policy working group
 - Senate Committee on Physical Development
- Admin
 - Construction and Safety Working Group
 - Fiat Lux project
- Board of Governors
 - Building and Properties Committee
 - IT Committee



McGill Department Work (Updates)

- Food and Dining
 - Food insecurity project - Madeline Wilson
- Athletics
 - Athletics facility improvement renewals, direction for athletics
- Security (Desire to still pursue this later in semester)
 - Having service numbers on the back of student IDs



Progress on Platform



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1) Rebuilding Faculty Relationships

Ideas in platform include:

- Having a monthly meeting between SSMU execs, faculty counterparts
- Increasing representation at Senate caucus
- Establishing relationships with faculty counterparts



What Has Been Done

- Better relationship with Faculty presidents/leadership
- Being present at other faculty councils
- Work on Involvement Restriction Policy
- Accessible to faculty leadership



2) Engaging Current Student Concerns

Ideas in platform include:

- Communicating the building closure timeline directly, prioritizing finding space for student groups
- General assembly accessibility, increasing voter turnout through online participation
- Board of Directors transparency -- reexamine the structure



What Has Been Done

- Building Closure: Sophia worked at room bookings for all student groups. Personally secured the lease at 680 Sherbrooke for student use.
- General Assembly: Clicker update did not become a priority as the year progressed.
- Board of Directors: Structure has been looked at extensively for governance reform. While minutes are slow to publish, desire to put more information in public session has taken place



3) Focused Advocacy on Student Needs

Ideas in platform include:

- Ad-hoc task forces for Fall Reading Week, Mental Health, Sexual Violence Policy
- Greater engagement with Student body through mass surveying, evaluate student needs



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What Has Been Done

- Creation of Fall Reading Week subcommittee at SSMU (with leadership from Bryan Buraga) , committee at McGill admin level
- Jacob created a position that works directly on topics with sexual violence.
- Mental health improvements will be presented this Thursday at council, in how we hope to expand the resources present.
- Increase in psychological coverage in the SSMU Health plan.
- Mass surveying to roll out for Building Operations Management Committee, Health and Dental, Athletics, etc



Additional Work



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Additional Personal Projects

Mentioned:

- 1) Food Insecurity Program -- Madeline Wilson
- 2) Athletics project
- 3) Involvement Restriction Policy

Not Mentioned:

- 1) SSMU Tutoring Service -- Nimbus
- 2) SSMU Long Term plan -- Presentation this Thursday at Legislative Council



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External Portfolio

UCRU - Coalition of U15 School Student Unions

- 1) Went to Ottawa with 8 other student unions to talk to MPs
- 2) Working on creating a formalized structure for UCRU
- 3) Will be discussing with other U15 schools on officially joining this group



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Questions?

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