REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT 2019-09-26

Submitted for: September 26, 2019

For the period of June 1, 2019 to September 22, 2019

Introduction

Hello everyone and welcome to the 2019-2020 SSMU Legislative Council! J’ai hâte de travailler avec vous au cours de la prochaine année. Si vous avez des questions, my contact information is as follows:

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Internal Governance/Gouvernance interne

Legislative Council/Conseil législatif

- Set dates and locations for Legislative Council
  - Fall semester location set for McConnell Engineering, Room 603
  - Winter semester location TBD based on the opening of the University Centre
- SSMU Retreat was a success!
  - 6 septembre à 8 septembre
  - La Réserve Naturelle Gault
  - Plus de 30 conseillers/conseillères, sénateurs/sénatrices, et personnel étudiant ont participé à la retraite
  - Training on SSMU governing bodies, Legislative Council, McGill Senate, best practices for consultation, and bonding!
- Free, vegan food will be provided at future Legislative Councils courtesy of Midnight Kitchen!
General Assemblies/Assemblées générales

- Fall/Automne: Monday, October 28, 2019 at New Residence Ballroom/Lundi 28 octobre 2019 à la salle de bal de la Nouvelle Résidence
- Hiver/Winter: Jeudi 20 février 2020/Thursday, February 20, 2020
- Planning will be assisted by the Students' Society Programming Network (SSPN)

Board of Directors/Conseil d'administration

- Over the summer, the Board has had its number of Directors (12 total) dwindle, but all seats should now be filled
  - May 23, 2019: 11 Directors (Resignation of Jessica Rau)
  - June 1, 2019: 9 Directors (End of term for Jack Kline, loss of one Executive seat)
  - July 11, 2019: 10 Directors (Nomination of Billy Kawasaki approved by Legislative Council)
  - August 20, 2019: 9 Directors (Resignation of Andrew Figueiredo)
  - September 23, 2019 [expected]: 12 Directors (Nomination of Jack Kline, Jordyn Wright, and Rohan Bhutkar)
  - Nominating Committee currently seeking applications for four (4) Members-at-Large for a term beginning on November 15, 2019
- All Judicial Board seats became vacant during the summer, Nominating Committee had issues with scheduling interviews
  - Currently 2 Justices on the Judicial Board as of September 17, 2019 (Patrick O'Donnell and Charles Choi)
  - Nominating Committee currently seeking more applications to the Judicial Board for immediate nomination
- Approbation des procès-verbaux des réunions précédentes du Conseil législatif et du Conseil d'administration

Representation & Advocacy/Représentation et plaidoyer

McGill Board of Governors/Conseil des gouverneurs de McGill

- Je suis le représentant de l'AÉUM au Conseil des gouverneurs
- Serve on the Building and Property Committee (BPC) and the Committee to Advise on Matters of Social Responsibility (CAMSR)
McGill Senate/Sénat de McGill

- I serve as a SSMU senator on the McGill Senate
- J’ai coécrit une question avec la Vice-présidente (Affaires universitaires) sur la Loi 21 pour la réunion du 18 septembre 2019
- I also sit on the Senate Committee on Physical Development

Varia

Human Resources/Ressources humaines

- Hired a Governing Documents Researcher (Husayn Jamal) to provide extensive research regarding governance documents reformatting
- Hired a Chief Electoral Officer (Pooja Patel) and a Deputy Electoral Officer (Ben Haward) for the 2019-2020 academic year for the upcoming elections
- Hired Recording Secretaries (Jamie Cowan, Parminder Cheema, Lauren Hill) and Parliamentarian (Wing Wong), as well as Speaker of Council On-call (Phoebe Lee)
- Hired a Fall Reading Break Researcher (Ashley Thorup) to provide extensive research about benefits for a Fall Reading Break among U15 schools across the country

University Centre/Centre universitaire

- Met with project managers and contractors regarding the University Center and the progress of the HVAC project over the course of the summer
- Expected move-in date: December/Décembre 2019

Meetings/Rendez-vous

- Deputy Provost (Student Life and Learning)/Premier vice-principal exécutif adjoint (études et vie étudiante)
- Dean of Students/Doyen des étudiants
- Associate Provost (Equity and Academic Policies)
- AQEIPS
- Legal Information Clinic at McGill (LICM)/Clinique d’information juridique à McGill (CIJM)
- UBC AMS President + VP External
- SFU SFSS VP External
- First Peoples’ House
- MCLIU
- Studentcare
● 2018-2019 SSMU President
● Miller Thomson
● Peter Karavoulias Avocats