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# Report to Council October 24, 2019

# Clubs

October 10, 2019

- EventUs final demo happened on September 26, 2019
  - Recommendation from the selection committee to be submitted on October 4, 2019
- Currently revising the sanctions rubric in collaboration with the Clubs and Services Coordinator - this will be brought to the first club committee meeting
- Finished an investigation into ISA sanctions
- Make-up workshop registrations are open
- Clubs committee applications are now closed and the committee will meet shortly
- Attended the Student Group Committee meeting
- Met with the Peer Support Centre for their finances along with the Vice-President (Finance)
- Met with the Bulgarian Students Association about club administration
- Worked on the club fund referendum motion
- Wrote several letters on behalf of various clubs
- Met with the Pre-Law Society about their event
- Various other meetings with clubs
- The club admin is now holding office hours every week on Thursdays from 1:00 2:00 in the SSMU office

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- Makeup club workshops are almost finished. There are 2 more weeks left
- Met with Club representatives to discuss a revision to the sanctions and to establish our goals for the year
- Club committee met on October 11 and 18 to approve new interim clubs, update constitutions, and to finalize a new sanctions guidelines
- Met with the Slavic Society regarding feedback they received about one of their events
- Met with various clubs about their events, club management and to respond to their questions about interim status applications



#### Services

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- Met with Walksafe about their agreement with FACE
- Creating a volunteer onboarding process to disseminate the new Volunteer Manual
- Working with the security services to facilitate the creation of a centralized request form
- Organizing service tabling at McGill Open House
- Services Review Committee applications have been extended until October 11, 2019
- Submitted the Services Review Report from last year which was never brought to council
- Nightline AgileIP phone line contract signed and lines are open
- Corresponded with Queer McGill on varia

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- Reviewed pay scores with the HR Manager and SACOMSS
- Created scores for two UGE positions with the HR Manager
- Met with Midnight Kitchen to discuss their Daily article on the impact of the University Centre closure
- Met with the Services Representative to discuss Midnight Kitchen and general discussion on goals for the year
- Met with Safety Services to discuss centralized event request form, and SafeHome initiative
- Working on a referendum fee question with UGE

#### ISGs

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• Corresponded with the MOC (McGill Outdoor Club) for their status. They are applying to be a non-profit.

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- Currently collecting student group information from them
- Updating email list of contacts
- MOC can actually enter into MOUs with a legal association status, so they are starting the process for this

#### Mental Health

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• Mental Health Committee (both Advocacy and Outreach) has formed



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- Met with Procurement Services, PGSS and Student Services for the new external mental health provider
- Met with counselling services to discuss concerns, feedback as well as a complaint letter from a parent regarding mental health services at the hub
- Attended a check-in meeting with the Vice-President (Student Life) and the Dean of Students
- Starting planning for the exam period de-stress event in McLennan-Redpath Library
- Starting work on updating the Mental Health Policy that will expire in Winter 2020
- Working on arranging for a presenter from the Wellness Hub for the October 22 event
- Went to the first Committee on Student Services (CSS) meeting
- ED panel will be on October 7, 2019 from 5PM 6PM in the Health Living Annex (Brown 3100) as part of the Mental Illness Awareness week
  - Room bookings were a nightmare so the other two events will be happening on October 17 and 22 (same time and location)
  - October 17, 2019: A Balancing Act: How to Support Others While Also Supporting Yourself
  - October 22, 2019: Navigating spaces: (in)accessibility of mental health support

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- Mental Illness Awareness Series event #2 A Balancing Act: How to Support Others While Also Supporting Yourself went well. A smaller group due to the rainy weather and discussion group style but the attendees were engaged and there was positive feedback
- The Mental Health Commission met on Saturday, October 19

# Eating Disorder Resources and Support Centre

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- Met with the Eating Disorder Resources and Support Centre Chair to finalize the Mental Illness Awareness Series event
- The Eating Disorder Advocacy Coordinator's provincial letter writing campaign is moving along well

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- Eating Disorder Panel event, part of the Mental Illness Awareness Week, was a success! (Photo to the left)
- The Eating Disorder Advocacy Coordinator has resigned. The job posting is open until the end of the month (October 30, 2019)





# Outreach

October 10, 2019

- Commencing planning for Activities Night (Winter)
- Spoke with the Tribune along with the Vice-President (University Affairs) on the Involuntary Leave Policy

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- Confirmed booking for Activities Night (Winter) January 9 and 10 in the fieldhouse
- Tabled at Open House
- Starting planning for de-stress event during finals in the library with Healthy McGill

# Family Care

October 10, 2019

- The Daycare Board met on September 26, 2019
- Met with the Daycare Director to go over their concerns and to respond to the Daycare Educators' letter
- Troubleshooting with ADP for Daycare payroll
- Currently moving a motion to the Daycare Board to approve the hiring of a temporary educator to replace an educator who will be leaving on October 15, 2019

• Attended the Joint Board Senate Sub-Committee on Family Care for this year's plan October 24, 2019

- Approved a hiring for Daycare
- Approved a daycare student's transfer between special educators

#### Room Bookings

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- Established a better process for booking Special Events
  - Now, clubs can directly request special events bookings through their <u>form</u>

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• N.A. - business as usual



# HR

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- Reviewed CV's for General Manager position
- Working on circulating and getting feedback on the volunteer manual
- Completed probationary evaluation for the Clubs and Services Coordinator

#### Misc

October 10, 2019

- Food insecurity meeting took place on September 20, 2019 and we are currently preparing for the next meeting with concrete questions for SHHS
- Met with the Vice-President (Finance) to go over the Student Life portfolio and mental health budget
- Attended a meeting with the Student Life and Learning Executive Team along with the other executives
- Attended the SSMU board meeting on September 24 and October 3

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- Met with SHHS for the Food Insecurity initiative
  - Currently working on funding applications (MOOS and SSMU) as well as finding a viable and sustainable financial model for when the seed money will be exhausted
- Completed first session of First Aid training