

Office of the Vice-President (External Affairs) Tel: (514) 398-6798 | Fax: (514) 398-7490 | external@ssmu.ca 3600 McTavish St., Suite 1200, Montréal, QC, H3A 0G3 Located on Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe, traditional territories

REPORT OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT (EXTERNAL AFFAIRS)

Submitted for: 27 February 2020

Platform

- Provincial Affiliation
 - Provincial Student Assembly mandate now in effect first meeting 02/3 at 18h.
 - Call with the Federation des Associations Etudiantes du Campus Universite de Montreal (FAECUM) about Bill 21 mobilization.
- Heightened Community Awareness and Engagement
 - Meeting with steering group for the Community Engagement Summit on 09/3
 - Lifelong learning working group (L3WG) progressing according to schedule.
 - Community Narratives Project partnering with Equity Committee for increased contributions. If you have a story about community engagement, please submit at communitynarratives.ca!
 - Environment scan of community engagement by SSMU Clubs ongoing.
 - Participating in Orientation Planning Group (OPG) consultation sessions next week to highlight McGill's obligations to the Milton-Parc Community
- Institutional Memory and Continuity for Campaigns
 - Food insecurity policy in the works to boost work already done by Midnight Kitchen and others.
- Assistance in Governance Reform
 - Reformatting of Policy & Plan book going more slowly than anticipated, but should be completed for submission mid-March



Portfolio

- Political Campaigns
 - Food Insecurity: (see above)
 - Divest McGill: Solidarity with C-JAM organisers
 - CJAM: Mobilizing faculty associations for strike mandates during Transition Week
 - Anti-racism campaigns: Inter-university meetings ongoing in preparation for a 21 March demonstration in Quebec City, met with MORSL on 27/2 to discuss division of tasks, set up weekly meetings of McGill Against Bill 21.
- Community Affairs
 - Housing plan for approval. There is a fundamental Milton-Parc integration being explored, and the Commissioner has expressed assent to oversight of Committee activities
 - Consultations sessions held 5-8pm on February 24th to explore the relationship between Milton-Parc, the SPVM, and the McGill population
- Popular Education
 - QPIRG to host Social Justice Days in March! This is a workshop series geared toward informing the public of tactics for mobilization and the history of mobilization in Quebec and abroad. Our Popular Education Events Coordinator is working hard on this.
- Union Affairs
 - MCC subcommittee work ongoing to explore: Mental Health at McGill, the budget decisions of central administration, and other topics
- Interfaculty Affairs
 - IRP implementation meetings ongoing with Equity Commissioners. A lot of people ran on "Fixing the IRP" (lol), so if you want to do that can you, like, reach out?
- External Affairs
 - Bill 101 extended to businesses with 25 to 49 employees.
 - Letter of support for social housing at Royal Vic sent to the Minister of Health

Projects

- Affordable Student Housing
 - Plan for approval
 - Skeleton version of a term sheet finalized after smoothing out details about asset management, awaiting legal consultation.
- Intergenerational McGill
 - \circ $\;$ No specific action on this front.