



REPORT: VICE-PRESIDENT (UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS) 2020-2-27

Submitted for: February 27, 2020

For the period of February 12, 2019 to February 27, 2020

**= scheduled, but had not occurred by time of report submission*

UNIVERSITY ADVOCACY & ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

General University Updates

February is Black History Month - programming at McGill [can be found here](#)

Dean term renewals/extensions: Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, Libraries

University Committees

Committee on Student Services

- Feb 26*

Senate Steering Committee Working Group on Senate Rules of Procedure

- Feb 17

Miscellaneous University Meetings/Things

Draft McGill Equity, Diversity and Inclusion plan being circulated now

Appointed students to sit on Dean of Students Selection Committee

Senate Membership review taking place in summer/early fall

University-created [USAP survey](#)

Senate Caucus + McGill Senate

McGill Senate met on February 19

- Documents [can be found here](#)
- Poorly executed report on tenure-track employment equity
- USAP Question

[Senator Projects](#)

Student-created USAP Survey coming up

Projects/Advocacy Items

Free Menstrual Hygiene Product Program



- Installation in Music Building to take place within the next few weeks
- One Menstrual Hygiene Coordinator has resigned, contracts being extended for others to accommodate
- Coordinator Claire Downie working on centralized form for new location suggestions

Tenure/Hiring reform

- Ongoing meetings with stakeholders
- Hired Kat O'Donnell (Tenure Researcher) as Tenure and Hiring Coordinator

Potential upcoming/to be revived: medical notes, laptop bans, food insecurity, academic accommodations

RESEARCH

Student Rights

Student Rights Researcher and Advocacy Commissioner - Adrienne Tessier (srrac@ssmu.ca)

Arts Senator Henrique Mecabo and Arts & Science Senator Julia Kafato working on assessment survey

Research component underway

Updating studentrights.ssmu.ca - writing website text

Sexual Violence History and Advocacy

Sexual Violence Mobilization and Advocacy Commissioner - Maeve Botham (asvma@ssmu.ca)

Biweekly check-ins

Information collection ongoing, research compilation almost done

Following up on Policy Working Group action items

Preferred Name Usage and Advocacy (w/QPIRG-McGill and Queer McGill)

Preferred Name Researcher: Sarah Hollyer-Carney (shollyercarney@ssmu.ca)

[Survey live!](#)

EQUITY

New Equity Commissioner Hired - Amandri Dahanayake (equity@ssmu.ca)

Planning end of year event - Art Show! - details coming soon

[Community Narratives project](#) (in collaboration with a bunch of other folks!)

LIBRARIES

[Occuspace/Waitz Implemented](#)

[Rental services webpage](#)

Ongoing biweekly check-in meeting with Library staff for communication transparency

[Winter proposal period now open!](#)

Exploring prayer space options in McLennan



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Located on Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe, traditional territories

MISCELLANEOUS

Helped Divest McGill with Admin Building blockade by acting as security/administration liaison

CKUT Board of Directors (SSMU Rep) - Met on 2/18

Office hours for semester are: T, F (2:30-3:30)

Respectfully Submitted,
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