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Senate Caucus Representative Report

SSMU Legislative Council Fall 2020

Submitted for: November 19, 2020

For the period of 2020/11/05 - 2020/11/18

Committees / Councils / Caucuses

1. Senate
2. Senate Caucus
3. SSMU Legislative Council
4. Committee on Enrolment and Student Affairs (CESA)
5. Committee on Student Discipline (CSD)
6. Faculty Council (Music)
7. Faculty Council (Music) Working Group for Terms of Reference Revision
8. Music Undergraduate Student Association (MUSA) Executive Council
9. MUSA Covid-19 Subcommittee
10. MUSA Constitution Rewriting Committee

Recent Activity:

Senate

- Joint Board-Senate Meeting, *November 12, 2020*
 - Topic: Pandemic Planning and Preparedness: Local Impact of Global Health Crises
- November Senate Meeting, *November 18, 2020*
 - [Question and Response Regarding the Withdrawal of the Emeritus Designation](#)
 - [Question and Response Regarding the Principal's Message on Academic Freedom and Inclusiveness](#)
 - [Question and Response Regarding the Naming of the Men's Varsity Team](#)
 - Proposed Revisions for 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 Academic Calendar
 - Fall Reading Week Proposed dates:
 - Oct.12-13, 2021 (+ Thanksgiving Oct. 11, 2021)
 - Oct. 11-12, 2022 (+Thanksgiving Oct. 10, 2022)

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- November 10, 2020



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- Preparation for the Joint Board-Senate Meeting (Nov. 12)
- S/U Policy Advocacy
- Holiday Break discussions
- November 17, 2020
 - Preparation for the November Senate Meeting (Nov. 18)

Faculty Council (Music)

- November 5, 2020 *Emergency Meeting Called*
 - EDI Committee proposal - *Approved*
 - *Thank you* to those who signed MUSA's statement regarding the importance of implementing the EDI Committee!
 - Faculty Governance concerns
- November 19, 2020 (3:30 pm - 5:30 pm)

MUSA Executive Council

- November 12, 2020
 - Discussions around making MUPG 300: Music Performance Strategies a requirement for Undergraduate B.Mus Performance students
 - Concerns over coursepacks with Music Graduate Students Society (MGSS)
 - Some Executives are concerned about digitized coursepacks and want to continue to purchase physical coursepacks through the bookstore, despite the steps towards sustainability and free open educational resources through the library.
 - Buddy system underway
 - Involvement and Restriction Policy adopted, approved and signed onto SSMU's IRP

MUSA Constitution Rewriting Committee

- Rewriting the MUSA Constitution with a focus on equitable practices
- Hoping for be finalized and out for referendum by the end of Fall 2020

Projects and Advocacy

- Mandate your senator form
- Accessible Education (with Senator Daryanani and Senator Reev)
 - Currently focusing on an opt-out policy for lecture recordings - to be continued



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Past and Future Meetings:

Senate (public)

Most recent:

- Joint Board-Senate Meeting, November 12, 2020
 - Topic: Pandemic Planning and Preparedness: Local Impact of Global Health Crises
- November Senate Meeting, November 18, 2020

Upcoming:

- December Senate Meeting, December 2, 2020 (2:30 pm - 5:00 pm)

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Most recent:

- November 10, 2020
- November 17, 2020

Upcoming:

- November 24, 2020
- December 1, 2020

Committee on Enrolment and Student Affairs (CESA)

Recent:

- October 13, 2020 *CANCELLED*
 - Email vote to approve the Annual Report to November Senate
- November 10, 2020 *CANCELLED*
- November 19, 2020

Upcoming:

- December 8, 2020

Faculty Council (Music)

Most recent:

- October 15, 2020:
- November 5, 2020 *Emergency Meeting Called*
- November 19, 2020 (3:30 pm - 5:30 pm)

Upcoming:

- December 10, 2020

MUSA Executive Council (public)

Most recent:

- November 12, 2020

Upcoming:

- November 26, 2020 (6:00 pm - 7:30 pm)



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