

# REPORT OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT (EXTERNAL AFFAIRS)

#### Submitted for:

For the period of 2020-06-01 to 2020-11-05

#### External affairs

- PEQ
  - Material and mobilisation support for Le Québec, c'est nous aussi
  - Direct action collaboration with LQCNA, Immigrant Workers Centre, Fédération des travailleurs et travailleuses du Québec, and others
  - Agitation of UEQ
  - Meetings with VP-CER to be resumed
- UEQ
  - o Agitation contre les réformes du PEQ
  - Séances du camp de formation
  - o Comités de santé psychologique, affaires sociopolitiques et autres
- UCRU
  - Biweekly meetings of board and advocacy committees
  - Drafted letter to federal ministers Qualtrough and Mendecino advocating extended support for international students during COVID-19 pandemic
- Inter-university, meetings with:
  - CSU (Concordia undergrads)
  - FAECUM (étudiant-e-s inscrit-e-s au premier cycle à l'UdeM)
  - CADÉUL (étudiant-e-s inscrit-e-s au premier cycle à l'ULaval)
  - UOSU / SÉOU (étudiant-e-s inscrit-e-s au premier cycle à l'UOttawa)
  - UQAM SUs mainly unavailable during the summer, since been in contact

# Community affairs

- Monthly Board meetings of the CCMP
- Board meetings of CKUT
- Affordable student housing
  - Summer ad-hoc committee meetings
  - Mobilisation and material support for Royal Vic for the Public coalition



- June meeting with Steven Guilbeault, Minister of Canadian Heritage and MP for Laurier—Sainte-Marie
- August meeting with Marc Miller, Minister of Indigenous Services and MP for Ville-Marie—Le Sud-Ouest—Île-des-Sœurs

## Community engagement

- COVID-19 adaptation efforts with Community Affairs Commissioner and Community Engagement Day Project Coordinator
- August resignation of Community Engagement Day Project Coordinator
  - Scheduling meeting with stakeholders prior to falling ill to be resumed

## Political campaigns

- Initiated Take James Down letter and campaign with BSN and other Black student groups
- Meetings with C-JAM and Divest for campaigns and casual staff positions
- Development of a campaigns guide with campaigns coordinators
- Mobilisation support for SFSU Students Against TMX campaign
- Mobilisation support for Defund the Police Coalition in collaboration with BSN
- McGill Against Bill 21: inactive over the summer, recent revitalisation

#### Union affairs

- Regular meetings of the McGill Communities Council
- Amplification of student worker concerns, primarily AGSEM and AMUSE

#### Varia

- Created an honorarium guide with help of VP Finance and Indigenous Affairs Commissioner
- Development of Black affairs committee and commissioner with VPUA and BSN
  - Facilitated meetings of Black student groups throughout summer prior to BAC creation
- Meetings with administration on anti-Black racism
- Meetings with student associations to address incidents of academic racism
- Development and hiring of a Political Researcher position (progress interrupted by illness)
- Updating and development of external affairs website (progress interrupted by illness)
- Assumption of alumni affairs responsibilities