

REPORT OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT (UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS)

Submitted for: March 11, 2021

For the period of 2021/02/24, to 2021/03/09

University Affairs & Research

University Activity

- University Student Assessment Policy Work Group met on March 8, 2021
 - First draft of the revised USAP has been completed
 - Expected to be presented to Senate for information in April
 - Next meeting on March 15, 2021
- Executive Team attended the TLS Forum on Fall 2021 In-Person Learning on March 9, 2021
- Executive Team met with the Provost and Deputy Provost on March 9, 2021
 - Discussed plans for Fall 2021 and implementation progress on the Action Plan to Address Anti-Black Racism
- CSS Mandate Revision Working Group meets on March 10, 2021
 - Final draft of the revised Terms of Reference expected to be completed
 - Draft will be presented to CSS for final approval on March 15, 2021
- Senate Steering meeting on March 16, 2021

Senate Caucus

- Senate Caucus met March 9, 2021, to debrief February Senate and discuss Fall 2021 plans to return to in-person learning
- Senate Caucus Advisory Board (SCAB) on Revisions to the Internal Regulations of Representation and Advocacy meeting on March 11, 2021 to revise:
 - IR-02: Undergraduate University Representation
 - IR-03: Municipal, Provincial, and Federal Representation

Research

- Student Rights Researcher and Advocacy Commissioner completed the first draft of their Report on COVID-19 Student Experiences
- Accessibility Survey and Medical Notes Survey both ready for release following elections and referenda timeline

Located on Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe, traditional territories

Equity & Advocacy

Board Ad-hoc Committee on Naming (BACoN)

- Second meeting with the Deputy Provost (Student Life and Learning) and the Vice-Principal (University Advancement) on March 8, 2021
 - Expanded on plans to tie a scholarship for Indigenous students to the renaming of the University Centre, delaying the renaming until approximately Winter 2022
 - Scholarship would be jointly funded by community and alumni donors and the introduction of a new student fee
- Office of the Vice-Principal (University Advancement) currently drafting a Letter of Intent between SSMU and McGill
- Two-year Plan to execute the scholarship and renaming to be presented to Council
- Planning a consultative Town Hall, rather than a referendum question, to unveil the proposed names for the University Centre and 3501 Peel

Equity Infrastructure

- Equity Policy revisions ongoing
 - Finished revisions to Complaint Resolution Procedures
 - Final draft of the revised Policy to be completed by March 16, 2021
- Harm Reduction Policy was finalized with the Vice-President (Student Life) and AMUSE Vice-President (Floor Fellow)
 - Presented to Council as a notice of motion on March 11, 2021 alongside a presentation on harm reduction by the AMUSE Vice-President (Floor Fellow)
- Indigenous Affairs Secretary-General job description was finalized
 - Hiring set to begin in the coming weeks, pending approval by the Executive Committee

Submitted in solidarity,

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