



Residence Report to the SSMU

Legislative Council of the Students' Society of McGill University

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Inter-Residential Council (IRC) Updates

- Updates to the Residences' Constitution have been made, specifically concerning who has the ability to sign off on payments on behalf of council
 - Will account for future possibility of members temporarily not being present in Montreal
- Scheduled monthly meetings with the Dean of Students to discuss the challenges students in residence have faced with COVID-19 restrictions. Among other things, we discussed:
 - Widespread evictions in residence during the Winter 2021 semester
 - Responsibilities of Floor Fellows regarding COVID-19 violations
 - Discretion of McGill residential security, and options for students regarding complaints
 - Establishing better long-term communication between the Dean's office and students in residence by having IRC serve as a point of contact between the two
 - Setting up monthly meetings between IRC and the Dean of Students next year to follow up on our progress together this year
- We agreed to have the Dean communicate disciplinary and procedural changes to the IRC, which we can then follow up with:
 - Initial feedback from members of the IRC regarding the changes
 - Establishing surveys, discussion opportunities for more general student feedback over longer timespans
 - Making students aware of the changes to avoid miscommunication issues (such as this year's changes to the three-strike policy) via emails, listservs
- The Dean can then relay this feedback to the individuals involved in drafting disciplinary changes (such as in the Student Handbook)
- IRC organized a holiday package delivery event to residences in late November 2020
- The council is also currently running a SCUNTS event for students in residence, and will be handing out prizes over the next week
- IRC members will be submitting exit reports by April 24th, 2021 as part of the new constitution



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University Residence Council (URC) Updates:

- The URC met on Wednesday, March 10th, 2021 to offer the opportunity for students on Hall Councils to ask questions to members of Student Housing and Hospitality Services
- We discussed issues such as:
 - Refunds to IRC members for event organization (the aforementioned constitutional changes)
 - Questions about refund options for students paying out of pocket for meals while awaiting disciplinary hearings
 - Complaints about the behavior of security in residence
- We will be holding another URC meeting on Monday, April 12th 2021

Respectfully submitted,

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