Report of the Vice-President (External Affairs)

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2023 January report : For the period of 2023-02-03 to 2023-03-06

Consult the External Affairs mandate letter, and its summary

External affairs

Federal, Provincial and Municipal political affairs

- Attend UCRU Board meetings and Plan for the UCRU Annual General Meeting
- Finalize a zine with information given in <u>Fall activist bootcamp</u> workshops
- Study the adopted Charters of the new provincial student association (CRUES, the tide)
- Meet with municipal elected representatives based on advocacy mandates.
- Publicize <u>survey</u> about <u>Bill 96</u> in collaboration with <u>PGSS</u> & other anglophone unions in QC
- Finalize the research report on accessibility advocacy

Union affairs

• Attend the McGill Community Council (MCC)

Community affairs

Affordable student housing

- Data Collation for the <u>ECLAIR survey</u> with UTILE on housing situations on and off campus
- Collaborate with <u>UTILE</u> on SSMU's affordable housing project
- Plan the Affordable Student Housing General Meeting (March 21st, 6:30PM, SSMU ballroom)

Milton-Parc and Peter-McGill

- Continue to support the kanienkehaka kahnistensera, and solidarity groups, in their advocacy
- Start developing actionable goals in relation to the CARE Agreement.
- Plan <u>Trash2treasure</u> (April 24th to May 1st).

Community Engagement

- Form the Community Engagement Committee
- Plan Community Engagement Day with <u>CLE</u> (April 5th, 10 to 2, SSMU Ballroom)



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Political campaigns

- Support <u>Divest McGill</u>
- Support students writing an expression of concern to CASMR regarding the Uyghur Genocide
- Support various community groups organizing a rally for Justice for Nicous D'andre Spring
- Continue to pursue research on the military industrial complex and McGill's involvement
- Support the Trans Student Coalition in their advocacy regarding the new McGill Academic Freedom Policy as well as for better trans care from student services.
- Publicize Women of Diverse Origins' Protest

Solidarity

- Supporter la commissaire aux affaires francophones dans l'organisation de la Francofête
- Publicize the Annual Memorial Vigil for MMIWGT2S in Tiohtiá:ke.
- Continue research on Indigenous Studies Programs in Qc and Canada.
- Support the BSN VP internal as they take over chairing the Black Affairs Committee.
- Support QPIRG in the organization of the "Spring into Action" event series

SSMU Committees

- Funding Committee
- Gender and Sexuality Committee
- Affordable Student Housing Committee
- Comité des Affaires Francophones
- Indigenous Affairs Committee
- Nomination Committee
- Governance Reform Committee
- Equity Diversity Inclusion Working Group
- Black Affairs Committee

Governance

- Consultation for the mental health policy and the sustainability policy.
- Propose an amendment to the IRs of finance to include the Black Equity Fee/Fund.
- Develop a food security policy and support the organization of a food security town hall
- Develop an ethical partnerships policy.
- Supporter la commissaire aux affaires francophones sa révision du <u>plan de francisation</u>.
- Develop a Motion regarding Milton-Parc Action Plan
- Revise the masterplan for addressing racist surveillance and doxxing within SSMU and Mcgill
- Work on a motion regarding changes to the <u>SSMU policy on accessible education and academics</u>
- Develop a motion regarding the Creation of the External Affairs Committee

Other

• Help organize the SSMU awards (nomination period is happening now!)

Respectfully submitted,



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