Report of Arts Representatives to SSMU Legislative Council

September 28, 2023

President

- Organized Frosh
- General upkeep of AUS including: Annual Declarations, Securing access to accounts (CRA & Revenu Québec), Banking and Insurance policies.
- Relations with Dean’s office such as incorporating new execs, maintaining MoA obligations (spaces, fee transferring, report presentation).
- SUS: working out departmental banking and the MoA.
- Misc: Subscription renewals & cancellations, weekly (finance) and monthly (sec gen) meetings, SNAX permit application, AUTS, AIO, and Arts Orientation and Discover McGill.
- Executive Committee fully onboarded, meeting weekly.
- Secretary General Team worked through summer to oversee summer employment, forthcomming applications for the accountability committee.
- SNAX: Barista hiring soon, suppliers, machines, and tax specifics being sorted.
- Equity Commissioners: Attended frosh (debriefing and reports), Equity committee applications opening at beginning of October.
- Office Assistants: Started September 1st, working (more or less) from 9-5 on weekdays.
- Elections: Certain departments running fall elections.

VP Finance

- Audit ongoing from May, new partner assigned and awaiting further information.
- Summer budget done, approved, and updated.
- Working on operating budget for the year
- Collaboration with QPIRG on textbook library project, now installed
- Financial reporting forthcoming for Frosh as payments are finalized.
- FMC hiring completed in April 2023. FMC will begin to meet this semester
- In process of relaunching the Ethical Business Practices Committee
- Departmental budget allocations are almost finished being sent out
In the process of receiving permits for SNAX from the Québec Government. ETA for opening: end of September

**VP Internal**

- Departmental Mailing Lists: Being worked on for each dept, many have been completed.
- AUS LC dates finalized and sent out.
- Departmental orientation completed on the 20th, Departmental Guidebook completed.
- Committee allocations for departmental reps coming soon.

**VP Social**

- Frosh was an overall success
- BdA is up and running successfully
- Relaunching EPIC Committee with hiring in progress

**VP Academic**

- Hiring for peer tutoring and essay/writing centre is happening right now, link for services will go up when hiring is complete
- Drafted plans for a new Diversity, Inclusivity, and Equality initiative for the AUS researching potential improvements in curriculum and program offerings.
- Set a mandate for the 2023-24 year focusing on creating space for non-departmental publications and interdisciplinary publications

**VP Communications**

- Handbooks have been successfully printed and delivered, distribution is in process right now across campus and at BdA
- Listserv is up and running with hiring for AUS positions already in process

**VP External**

- Collaborating with the Yellow Door including a tentative tabling at the Y-Intersection in a few weeks
- First meeting of Mental Health Commissioners, planning for AUS mental health related events.
- Grad fair is in collaboration with SUS this year. Planning and outreach to universities/businesses in progress.

**Miscellaneous**
- SSMU/AUS committee meetings are beginning now and looking good for the Senators and Representatives
- Elections team is working with department to fill the remaining spots in departmental exec teams

Respectfully submitted,

Arts Representatives