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Report of the Vice-President (Student Life)

Clubs

- Making sure all clubs are up to date
 - Constitutions are up to date
 - Workshop attendance completed
 - o Student Group Information Form submitted
- Booking Guidelines for the Winter 2024 semester have been completed
 - Recurring bookings accepted until Dec 1st
 - Single event bookings accepted starting Dec 4
- Clubs Committee
 - Delays in getting committee members
 - Clubs rep election was delayed
 - Waiting on FYC elections
 - Lack of interested Legislative Councillors
 - Lack of interest from members-at-large
 - To start meeting this week!
- Dealing with lots of inquiries via email
 - Funding and finance questions
 - Complaints/internal situations
 - Questions about who to contact
- Clubs and Services as the Highest Priority Policy
 - o Expires Jan 2024
 - Looking into possibly moving it into the IRs of Student Groups
 - o Consultations to start with groups if interested, please reach out!
- Changes to IRs of Student Groups
 - Consultations to start soon if interested, please reach out!
 - To be ratified early winter semester

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Services

- Services Coordinator is now hired and working please contact at <u>services@ssmu.ca</u>
- Dealing with lots of inquiries via email
 - o Processing payments, cheque requests, and purchase orders
 - Looking to implement new processes
 - Fee referendum questions/follow-ups
- Monthly check-ins with services to continue
- Services Committee and Services Review Committee are being set up
- Budget reviews are in progress now that the Fall semester fees have been allocated



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Mental Health

- New Mental Health Outreach and Advocacy Coordinators have been hired and are working
 - o mhoutreach@ssmu.ca
 - o mhadvocacy@ssmu.ca
 - o mentalhealth@ssmu.ca (Mental Health Commissioner)
- Weekly meetings continue as do Mental Health Roundtables
- Talking groups to be established in collaboration with the Wellness Hub
- Advocacy for McGill to hire a new Engineering LWA (vacant since last Fall)
- Contacting other faculty associations to make them aware of resources available
 - o Including Priority Referral through the MH Commissioner
- Future projects (still in progress):
 - Sleep/Relaxation room
 - o Exam related mental health exams
 - Support group for students struggling with academics
 - Well Week events
 - Mental Health Awareness Week events.

Family Care

- PGSS collab event STEM Let's Talk Science Workshop for student caregivers and their families
- Daycare
 - o Monthly board meetings including budget updates, lease renewal, etc
 - Volunteer program sign-up should launch next week!
- Family Care Policy
 - Initial consultations with governance have begun
 - Projected to be complete in the winter semester

Events

- Activities Night Lite: Games and Hobby Edition Nov 24, Cafeteria
 - For leisure and hobby clubs to display their activities
 - For students to have a night to relax and try out different activities
- Winter Farmer's Market Nov 30 and Dec 1, Ballroom
 - Collaboration with McGill Farmer's Market
 - A holiday market for people to buy gifts and potentially food!
- Activities Night Winter 2023
 - Planning has begun! Due to the winter break, it has to be planned before the break begins so everything can be ordered before the event
- Clubs Workshops Winter 2023
 - Planning has begun!



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Other

- Board of Directors meetings continue bi-weekly
- Nominating Committee for Board
 - Regular meetings continue, interviews are happening, nominations have been presented
- Funding Committee
 - Continues to meet every week
 - A pause is being put on distributing funding while a review of the funding process
 - Looking into increasing fee levies for certain funds since demand is so high
- New VP Finance welcome Amina!
 - Training on student groups and services
 - o Training on finance and funding

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at studentlife@ssmu.ca!

Respectfully submitted,

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