



Arts Undergraduate Society of McGill University

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Report of Arts Representatives to SSMU Legislative Council

February 29, 2024

President

- Working with the student aid office to get additional money into the Arts Student Employment Fund (ASEF) and Enriched Educational Opportunities (EEO) operating budgets in light of suspected upcoming demands in financial need.
- SNAX is open! First floor of the Leacock building. Coffee, tea, and baked goods at the moment with more products coming soon!
- AUS Executive Elections happening Feb 26-March 1. Full timeline:

Important Dates:

Nomination Period: February 5th 9am - February 12th 5pm

MANDATORY Candidate Training: February 13th 7-8pm, on Zoom

Candidate Debate: February 16th 7-9pm, location TBD

Campaign Period: February 15th 9am - February 25th 5pm

Polling Period: February 26th 9am - March 1st 5pm

Results Announced: March 1st 7pm

- The Arts Undergraduate Theatre Society (AUTS) had a successful show (Legally Blonde) despite a number of issues due to asbestos in Moyse Hall.
- We have formalized the operations of Bar des Arts in the form of “BdA By-Laws”. Other faculties with student bars: I would recommend doing this! Helps formalize policies and procedures year after year.
- Identity fraud issues! Please be diligent about who you are communicating with. I will only ever contact you from my official email addresses (president.aus@mail.mcgill.ca and president@ausmcgill.com).
- Everything voted on and reported at our Legislative Council meetings is reported the day after on [this page](#) of our website.
- Exec office hours for this semester:



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AUS OFFICE HOURS			
President Matthew O'Boyle Monday 3:00-5:00 Wednesday 3:00-5:00	VP Finance Julia Widing Tuesday 1:30-3:30 Friday 12:00-2:30	VP Academic Nick Rieck Tuesday 11:30-1:30 Thursday 11:30-1:30	
VP Communications Lauren Hicken Friday 3:30-5:30	VP Social Sarah Jiang Wednesday 10:00-12:00	VP Internal Rob Hinshelwood Monday 12:00-2:00	
VP External Sophia Li Wednesday 2:00-4:00	Arts Senator Juliet Morrison Wednesday 9:00-10:00 Thursday 12:00-2:00	Arts Senator Sophia Garofalo Tuesday 11:00-1:00	
Arts Rep (SSMU) Aishu Rajan Friday 12:30-2:30	Arts Rep (SSMU) Keith Baybayon Friday 12:00-2:30	Arts Rep (SSMU) Quinn Porter Wednesday 12:30-2:30	SSMU VP Internal Jon Barlas Monday 2:30-4:00

AUS Office located in Leacock Basement (B-12)
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VP Finance

- Audit
 - Final phases of the audit.
 - I am currently working through a series of cheque explanations.
- AUIFC:
 - The Arts Undergraduate Improvement Fund Committee is underway!
 - The AUIFC reviews funding proposals for physical improvements for the benefit of Arts students.
 - The AUIF is how we re-painted the Arts Lounge, and it is how QPIRG was able to set up their free textbook loan program in the Lounge.
- FMC:
 - The Financial Management Committee has been meeting weekly to review applications from individual departments.

VP Internal

- AUSEC-sustainability commission has been meeting to implement ways to make FACO and BDA more sustainable.
- We are currently working on merging the sustainability commission and the ethical business committee; this way, their list of sustainability vendors will be better implemented in student life.
- FEARC



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- Elected an executive committee of 6 people for the first year council. Now that they are up and running, I will guide them when they need help for future events.
- The first public FEARC event is set to be on March 15th.
- AUS Awards
 - Contacting venues.
 - Award list is to be announced at next AUS Legislative Council.
- I have been in contact with RSUS and TUSA to brainstorm and coordinate a merger of the societies.

VP Social

- Bar des Arts
- EPIC:
 - BDBAE Valentines Grams
 - EPIC Activities Night
 - EPIC Clothing Swap
- FACO:
 - Theme Revealed.
 - Hype Night done.
 - Scunt Season underway.
- Grad Ball Committee:
 - Grad Ball Hiring is running live. #exciting
 - Finished Co-Chair Interviews
 - Contract with the Windsor has been signed

VP Academic

- Applications for the Arts Student Employment Fund (ASEF) closed on February 26. Applications to be reviewed shortly for summer employment.
- Arts Senator Juliet leading action on tuition advocacy, sending out resources.
- Managing payments for peer tutors from Fall and hired for Winter.
- Sent out the Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Accessibility survey to gather information on the perceptions, experiences, and suggestions from faculty of arts students.
- Valedictorian Committee is finalizing candidates for Spring 2024 Convocation.
- Collaboration with the Dean's Office on the Arts amendments to the McGill-wide Policy on the Assessment of Student Learning - Academic Affairs Commissioner and SSMU Rep



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Aishu also working on this!

- Sent out form for the AUS Teaching Awards.

VP Communications

- Livestreamed executive debate on Instagram.
- Fine Arts Council
 - Ran first exhibition of year on January 22nd,
 - second exhibition is being planned. Will be open to McGill and Concordia students
 - FAFCO Funding is open
- French Conversation Circles every Tuesday at 6:30 pm in the Arts Lounge

VP External

- Upcoming Career Fair in March
- Self-defense workshop for female students
- MHAUS: Upcoming Mental Health Week event

Arts Senators

- Mapping student services at McGill for Arts Education Office
- Tuition increase coordination
- Still working with AIO and President's office on a potential internship
- Working with VP Academic on expanding the amazing mentorship programs some departments already have in place!!

Miscellaneous

- Harassment and Discrimination Internal Reporting form
- Statement against Tuition Increases

Respectfully submitted,

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