

## McGill Law Students' Association / Association des étudiant-e-s en droit de McGill

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## Report of Law Councillor Jacob Shannon to the SSMU Legislative Council February 15th, 2024

## About Me

- 2<sup>nd</sup> year law student in the Bachelor of Civil Laws / Juris Doctor Program
- Sole representative of Legislative Council to the SSMU Board of Directors
- Former President of the McGill Nursing Undergraduate Society (2017-2018)
- Practised as a nurse for four years before returning to McGill to study law
- Open to questions at lawrep@ssmu.ca / can find me on LinkedIn and Facebook

## **Updates from the Law Students' Association**

- Faculty of Law Professors Union is Striking
  - o Strike, for now, lasted only Tuesday, February 13th
  - o Mandated to protest for up to five total days, does not need to be consecutive
  - o Protest stems from the university challenging the right of the union to exist
  - o Union formed to make collective demands on benefits and compensation
- Winter Elections
  - o Elections are upcoming; dates still to be set by our Chief Elections Officer
- Events
  - **Bromont Ski Trip** Repeat of event started last year offering a day of skiing and transportation for \$85
  - o **Coffeehouse** Weekly event hosted in the Faculty of Law atrium that is sometimes sponsored by law firms and other times run by Law clubs
    - Very high attendance as of late
    - First time coffeehouse operates on a mandatory reusable cup policy!
  - o **Monday Mocha** Weekly event often sponsored by law firms offering free coffee to students and a chance to get to know various law firms
  - o Med-Law combined event coming up in February to celebrate Valentine's Day
  - o Planning for Skit Night in March
    - Cherished law tradition where students and faculty alike orchestrate skits for a large audience to raise money for a charitable cause
  - o Planning for **Grad Ball** in May
- General Assembly in November
  - o Passed a motion mandating the LSA to explore options for the reversal of the QC Government proposal to increase non-QC Canadian tuition
- Sustainability Initiatives
  - o In addition to a reusable cup policy, the LSA President is also working on an in-house plate club for clubs access in order to reduce disposables.