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# REPORT OF THE INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Submitted for: 2024-21-11

***For the period of Sept 01 2024 to Dec 30th 2024***

## Committee Members:

Indigenous Affairs Commissioner: Delanie Havrelock

VP External: Hugo-Victor Solomon

VP University Affairs: Abe Berglas

Councillor: Rylee Mckay

Member at Large:

- Giselle Alfred
- Seraphina Crema Black
- Leah Champagne
- Mary-Anne Brodie
- Eden Gepner-Bourgeois
- Nuala O'Connell
- Lily Parekh
- Raymond Johnson-Brown
- Kirit Ghumman
- Safia Khanna
- Olivia Bjerkelund
- Joséphine Bon
- Myriam Boivin-Neashit
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- Jessica Williams-Daley
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The Indigenous Affairs Committee met on the following dates:

October 13th 2024 and (upcoming) November 24th 2024.

## Activity:

List all discussion points and relevant minutes of the meetings.

Discussion points in our October meeting, were:

- Art Exhibit (sometimes referred to as Art Show)
  - If we knew of any artist what we want the vent to look like possible spaces, we could put art installations, etc.
- If we wanted to get A James McGill plaque put in place by the Y-intersection
- Talked about how the committee works and roughly where the funds will go in the future endeavours and what the Commissioner has been up to since getting this position.
- how we would like to support the Mohawk Mothers going forward.

Minutes: [☰ IAC Meeting #1: Oct Meeting](#)

As our November meeting is happening next week (Nov 24th), the meeting minutes are unfinished. I suspect we will talk about all of the updates regarding the art exhibit and the Mothers as well as how we would like to handle the removal of the tree that happened this past Sunday, November 17th, 2024.

## Updates:

For the Mohawk mothers, we decided to include blurbs within the SSMU listserv with relative information. When the updates are large enough, we will send them out in their own newsletter. This is to better inform the student population in a more digestible manner such that we provide resources and smaller updates, keeping it on their radar. We also agreed to help pay for their hotel cost for their trip to Ottawa to fight in the Senate.

For the art show, we have decided to book a drag queen and a host. We have also secured an artist who will paint a mural within the SSMU building. The wall has already been decided and we are working on starting the process of painting and securing a contract with the artist. We have booked the ballroom for this event which will take place on Friday February 7th 2025, 1-8 tentatively. It will



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include Indigenous vendors and various talks by Indigenous artists. Ending the night with a pay what you can community building event at the Milton Bar. as for the physical art display in the building, we are still looking for appropriate display cases. We have decided to focus our efforts on the mural and the show with the display being in the back of our minds.

As for the James McGill plaque, we have decided to put the endeavour on hold and focus mainly on the art show.

For other equity funds, we have approved a couple via email, including an equity fund request for laptop repairs and for conference travel costs.

## Recommendations for the Next Academic Year:

I think the way we have been progressing is quite well and I have no large changes to make a note of. Meeting once a month has been working out well as we just do email correspondence when things become urgent.

Respectfully submitted,  
Indigenous Affairs Committee  
Delanie Havrelock