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# REPORT OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS

Submitted for: 2025-04-03

# **Advocacy Work**

## McGill

- Submitted a motion to Senate so that the Committee on Student Grievances reports to Senate
- Created a summary of the census data regarding Muslim students in law and education, where Bill 21 might be affecting enrollment
- Consulted on amendment to Policy on Military Technology
- Wrote "The Mission of Security Services" letter to the editor for the Tribune
- Accompanied a student as their advisor for a student grievance related to campus security
- Submitted a complaint to the Advisory Council on the Charter of Student Rights regarding some vague provisions in the Code of Student Conduct

# **Indigenous Affairs**

Met with MU to get the mural up-and-going

# **Students with Disabilities**

 Spoke to equity commissioners about funding a mask pick-up spot in the UC for event hosts and immunocompromised students

### **Student financial stress**

• Chose Qualtrics as a survey platform, and looked through draft survey

### **Preferred Names at McGill**

- Provided feedback on form to change preferred names
- Still looking for testimonies from trans students about deadnaming and misgendering!

# **Equity**

- Reformulating equity policy with help of HR Manager
- Equity committee meetings and final equity summit at the end of the semester



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- Wrote a blog post: "The EDI Plan Report and the Myth of Progress"
- Met with Dymetri, Hamza about IRP, and inquired with the OMR about their services

# **Student Rights**

- We tabled for the Know Your Rights campaign! We may table again to make up for the snow day cancellation. We collected people's input about PASL and their experiences with assessments
- The Student Rights Commissioner created a zine, which I edited and tried to format into a small printable version

# **Gender and Sexuality**

- I met with the Trans Patient Union about the new SSMU gender affirming care reimbursement
- Hosted a 'queer compassion training' for faculty executives on March 12
- Met with Alison, Maya, GSC commissioner, and the TPU about the gender affirming care reimbursement, monitoring its cost and how we can integrate it into general funding opportunities

# **Committees and Group Work**

### **Senate Caucus**

- Meeting every Monday from 5pm to about 6:30pm
- We wrote and sent a response to Deep Saini about how the University should respond to vandalism
- I arranged and attended a meeting between Senators and the Suicidality Case Worker at the Dean of Students' office.
- Holding a larger last senate caucus meeting with Senators' replacements

# **McGill employees**

- Hosted February MCC meeting
- Working with UA Secretary-General to file a student grievance about the impact of TA cuts on the student experience

### **Menstrual Health Team**

- Currently negotiating a Master Service Agreement with Joni
- Eva has replaced Phoebe; we're trying a new reporting system for commissioners to track their shifts



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# **SSMU**

- Wrote "Motion Templates and the Powers of Legislative Council" blog post
- Did mood keeping at special general assembly
- 'Featurized' responses to the referendum question, 'What should SSMU focus on?'
- Hosted a final McGill Academics Roundtable meeting

# **Committees**

• I am soliciting end-of-year reports for all committee members! I've emailed most of them so far