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Report of Arts Representatives to SSMU Legislative Council

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President

- Appointed a new VP External
- SNAX Cafe is continuing to make good profits.
- Referendum & elections dates: February 19-February 26
- Updating our constitution and several of our bylaws: accountability, human resources, elections.
- Most active departments within AUS since 2019.

VP Finance

- Arts Undergraduate Improvement Fund applications will be released soon. AUIF oversees one of the largest distributions of capital improvement funding on McGill campus.
- Annual budget was finalized in early November. All department budgets were finalized as well. We have the largest number of active departments in over 6 years, so spending on departments has gone up this year.
- Overseeing FMC (financial management committee) per usual. Our meetings have been occurring since October, and we manage the distribution of over \$45,000 in funds for various AUS departments & student groups on campus.
- Our annual audit progress is continuing to move forward.
- Vast majority of Frosh interfaculty payments were settled and closed out.

VP Internal

- Jan 22 (Thurs): First Year x BdA collaboration
- February (Midterm Wellness Month):
 - Snow Day
 - Study sessions
- March: Fun social event (possibly a Beer-O or a pool league night)

- April: End-of-year social event
 - * We're also open to collaborating with anyone.
- Executive update: Permits and bookings are up and running.

VP Social

- Planned BDAs for the semester, collaborated with other AUS portfolios
- Planning Grad Ball happening in April
- EPIC committee running
- In contacts with venues for Frosh 2026

VP Academic

- Approved \$52,748.40 of funding towards arts student employment projects, funding research positions and other career-advancing academic opportunities
- Successfully centralized all AUS tutoring, so it is no longer run by departments
- Valedictorian applications and the applications for the winter round of Arts Student Employment Fund are now open
- Will soon be sending out a nomination form to nominate professors and TAs for arts teaching awards.
- Working alongside the faculty to collect feedback on the restructuring of the BA program

VP Communications

- Website revamp
- Weekly listservs
- CIFCO
- Fine Arts Exhibition
- Art Public Directory (w/ArtSci)

VP External

- The previous VP External worked alongside SUS to plan the grad fair
- The grad fair went smoothly despite personnel problems Career Planning Services

- This year, I have met with Amelia Slone from the Career Planning Services to assist in planning the upcoming summer job opportunities fair
- So far, I have helped with graphics, planned videos to be posted on the instagram, and got Work Your BA announcements in the listserv
- Upcoming: further promotion via poster/ininstagram posts/listserv is in the works
- Career fair will be on Feb 12th, which I plan to attend with any AUS volunteers
- More day of: ensuring that the recruiters are provided with catering, finalizing floor plan, setting up tables, etc MHAUS
- I have just started planning the Mental Health Week initiative with Arts Reps Cahill and Gigliotti
- The Mental Health Week will be from March 9th-March 13th
- Activities such as craft day, movie night, puppy yoga have been discussed
- We plan to distribute goody bags that include stress balls, stickers, and promotional coupons for businesses (exercise classes, restaurants, cafes, etc), among other things

Hiring

- Hiring mental health commissioners, sponsorship committee members, art community engagement commissioner, sponsorship coordinator, international affairs commissioner
- Once these employees are hired, we can proceed with the committees that they sit on
- Waiting on mental health commissioners specifically to assist in planning the mental health week LC and Ex-comm
- I have and will continue to attend excomm and the AUS LC on the designated days/weeks

Senators

- Senators worked with Senate Caucus to review the changes to the Code of Student Conduct, with many of the student senators' input carried over to the new code. Code was approved by Senate and is now a legal document.
- Senator Baybayon has attended meetings with the Senate Committee on Student Services and met twice with the Advisory Council on the Charter of Student Rights

- Continued Senator Scoop on AUS platforms and have also extended Senate updates to social media.
- Senators are working with the Senate Caucus to review the state of student accommodations at McGill University
- Senator Tang is working on a OneCard project (<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1oYROVYpFLaMePRcEa0vs8Nh-enVCnrvvxV8L9U29V5U/edit?usp=drivesdk>), and is in discussion with Angela Campbell to change the library doors to be accessible for 24 hours a day

Respectfully submitted,

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