

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

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Four Floors

- Conducted debrief of the event, noting what worked, what didn't, and areas for improvement.
 - **Worked:**
 - Amazing work by Olivia Avotins (McGill Visual Arts), Carissa Tran (McGill Visual Arts) and Natalie Chang (McGill Improv).
 - Olivia and Carissa were in charge of a vast majority of the decorations that evening, and they went above and beyond, receiving frequent comments, including from the staff, that the University Centre hadn't looked that good in ages.
 - Natalie was in charge of the Actors, and they put on a stellar Haunted House in Players, with a lineup until they had to close around 12:00 due to a lack of actors.
 - Mitch handled the AV & Lighting (recommended by OAP), and the Ballroom was a prominent location throughout the night, with many partygoers avoiding the bar in favour of the ballroom.
 - Bailey, Wallace, Wendy, Georgina, Taylor and Vic all put in a great deal of effort that evening to bring an enjoyable evening for students that they otherwise wouldn't have gotten the experience they did.
 - The water-based smoke machine worked in the ballroom. We initially ran it at 60% capacity, and the fire alarm didn't go off. For the event, it was only run at 5%.
 - No ambulances or medical emergencies. MSERT, Redfrogs and Walksafe were all on site, only a few cases of overindulgence/immense intoxication.
 - **Didn't:**
 - Issues with ticketing. In the future, we will likely do tickets at the door with only 200 or a similar number available beforehand. Otherwise, ensuring a smooth entry is essential, as a lineup started at 8:00 and lasted until 12:30. The line persisted due to coat check going slowly (bad placement).
 - Security was a frequent concern that evening, and we'll be looking into improvements.

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○ **Areas for Improvement:**

- Lineup / Security / Second Floor Usage (no Movie showing) / Sweet spot of people

Food Services & Hospitality Manager

- Interviews have concluded, and the new Manager started on Monday.
- He has been undergoing onboarding with the various departments through HR and is gradually gaining an understanding of the role.
- Meetings between him and me are twice a week to provide assistance and check in
- Current objective: construct a budget for the upcoming year for the department's functioning in time for the revised budget approvals that go to the Legislative Council and the Board

Managing Staff

- Monthly management meetings have continued and have been providing day-to-day oversight of the managers, dealing with the issues that arise and prepping for the future transfer of responsibilities to the General Manager

Management Agreement

- Been going slowly, waiting to hear back regarding pricing, especially in time for the Winter Referendum and the University Centre fee being up for renewal.

Constitution Review

- A first meeting was held last week with the working group, and we are gradually progressing through LC's membership. Afterwards, we will be focusing on the Board.