



REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Submitted for: 03-12-2026

Period between 02/12/2026 and 03/12/2026

Constitution Working Group

Finished: Set for voting March 23rd (Pending Board Ratification).

General Manager Hiring

Finished: Melissa started last week and is undergoing an extensive training period. Greatly appreciate her joining the team.

Director + Staff Management | GM Duties

Near Conclusion: With Melissa starting, the next few weeks will see a gradual handoff of these duties to the new General Manager until she is well positioned to handle all the affairs of the role.

- For context, this includes the:
 - Internal Counsel & Corporate Secretary → Governance and Legal;
 - Student Life Operations Director → Bar, Cafe, Bookings and Events;
 - Communications Director → Website, Handbooks, Communications;
 - Building Director → Building Operations, Maintenance, Porters, Security;
 - HR Director → Human Resources, Collective Agreement, Hiring, Discipline;
 - Comptroller → Accounting, coordination with other departments;
 - Food & Hospitality Manager → Daily Lunch Service, 3rd Floor Kitchen.
- Monthly management meetings have continued, including the aforementioned Directors and Manager, as well as the Bar Manager and Cafe Manager. These serve to coordinate the team and inform them of ongoing Executive, Council and Board initiatives, concerns, and areas of development.
- Bi-weekly Operations meetings have continued, which include the Bar Manager, Cafe Manager, Building Director, and the Student Life Operations Director. Discussions surround Security, Gerts Bar and Cafe operations, maintenance and capital infrastructure/needs between departments and across the board.

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- The next few weeks (come March) will see greater integration between the new General Manager and me to prep for the impending transfer of all these responsibilities to the General Manager, once they're adequately up to speed and trained.
- Current concerns include:
 - Shortage of porter staff to cover all bookings throughout the week, including on weekends. Presently being dealt with.
 - Minicourses are no longer attracting as much attendance as when they were originally conceived. It will be discontinued next year.
 - Desire from staff not to hold Activities Night in the Fieldhouse in future years due to the additional effort required to host, including transportation, planning, and coordination. In future years, it will be located within the University Centre and, if feasible and weather permitting, *potentially* on Lower Campus.

Management Agreement

Refer to the previous report on February 12th for context.

Presently awaiting McGill's final draft. The Deputy Provost's office is speaking with their internal counsel to finalise terms and is also wrapping up conversations with Facilities to gauge what the SSMU would and would not be able to do in terms of maintenance in the building.

McGill Athletics and Recreation

Refer to the previous report on February 12th for context.

The A&R Task Force was officially announced, though it had been meeting for several months beforehand. There has also been the creation of a sub-group to examine whether certain Varsity Teams could be reinstated. A Student is planned to be on that committee, but we are still awaiting further information.

Senate / Board of Governors

Senate:

No updates beyond the previous report.

Working Group on Board-Senate Cohesion

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A survey has been released to Board and Senate members to complete, which will guide the committee's recommendations on the steps to improve Board-Senate Cohesion.

Board of Governors Executive Committee

Not much to report, unfortunately. The meetings themselves are also confidential.