EdUS REPORT

SSMU Legislative Council

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Recent Ongoings

- President
    - Decline in EduBuddies, leading to more emphasis on McGill mentorship and FYRE
    - Honours degree in the BAEd program (adds a CGPA requirement, higher course levels, deeper capstone, and a tangible portfolio)
    - Discussions with the dean's office about the new cafe in the Edu building (requesting bettering of issues with hours, price, etc.)
    - Excitement about the yearbook, new events, first year engagement, and DDs
- Finance
    - Trainings on Finance (including a quiz to make sure everyone is on the same page)
    - audit process is moving along (getting help from the auditor now)
    - Insurance costs increasing with liquor liability
    - Also excited about first year engagement with FYRE and the upcoming Dancing with the stars watch party
- Exec Admin
    - Retreat planned so handbook and information are out
    - New incentives for office hours are in the works
- External
    - Career fair planning is continuing well (forms for employers coming out soon)
    - Photos from the halloween crawl will be coming out soon, the event went well
- Internal
    - Thinking forward to Frosh, lots of success with DDs, Cafe Campus event planning
    - Issues being sorted out about with using the DDs space for drinking games
- Coms

    - Motionball NGW Campaign, BdA, McGill Legal council information session, EdUS merch is out to everyone
    - Looking forward to council gifts for retreat and instagram takeovers
- Wellness
    - Wellness bags have been popular and going well
    - Excited for World Kindness day and Diwali
- Academic
    - APC and UTEPC, academic roundtables ongoing
- Reps
    - Teacher wardrobe swap, fall dessert giveaways, holiday cookie events, goodie bags, doughnut giveaways, etc.

Events

- Frosh at the start of the year was a big success
- Halloween crawl went well and photos will be coming out soon
- DDs continues to be doing well and is not going into a deficit luckily
    - Upcoming: Doiler Doom on November 18th at 5pm in the Education Lounge

Issues

- Student fee levy
    - Problem: This past e-bill coming into the fall semester, EdUS members paid a $10 fee levy to EdUS. The fee levy should've been $15 as we got an increase last year from $10 to $15 after having passed it through EdUS members and sending necessary info to the correct McGill offices. However, as this wasn't reflected in the e-bills EdUS only received income from fee levy reflecting $10 even though a budget was created based on $15 fee levy causing a projected deficit unless the issue is resolved.
    - Solution!: This issue should be resolved in the next e-bill as students will be prompted to pay $20 in the winter semester to make up for the $5 mistake with the fall e-bill.
    - Next steps: As this may come into question from EdUS members, there will be a statement/clarification memo noting the reason for the increase. Going into future years, the fee shall stay at $15 (or until another increase gets approved).
- Overall issue (not specifically EdUS): Not being able to sell merch with the McGill crest on it