



Report of the Arts Representatives, AUS Council 1/27/2016

SSMU Activities

Council

- Approved new Internal Regulations of
 - Finance and Operations portfolio
 - Presidential portfolio
 - Elections and Referenda
- Discussion on a circulated survey of attitudes towards smoking on campus and harm reduction
 - Results showed overwhelming support for shelters to decrease exposure to second hand smoke
 - Results also showed a majority of students in favour of moving towards a smoking free campus
- Passed motion welcoming Erin Sobat onto the SSMU Board of Directors
- Approved special referendum questions and the creation of a 'YES' Committee
 - Regarding the Restructuring of SSMU
 - Regarding the Increase of the SSMU Base Fee

Representation

New office hours have been set

- Gabriel - 1:00 - 2:00 on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Lexi - 4:00 - 5:00 on Mondays and Wednesdays
- Adam - 12:00 - 1:00 on Wednesdays, 4:00 - 5:00 on Thursdays, 3:00 - 4:00 on Fridays
- Scheduling tabling hours in the Leacock lobby and resolving a booking issue

Committees/Meetings

Adam

Steering Committee, Jan. 22nd

- Sent regrets due to schedule conflict

AUS Constitution and By-law Review Committee, Jan. 22nd

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SSMU Accountability Committee

- Reviewed a drafted plan for keeping Executives and SSMU Councillors accountable to their constituents
- Outlined a timeline of accountability measures
- Outlined criteria for evaluating the performance of Councillors and proposed changes to Presidential IRs concerning the accountability committee

SSMU Health and Dental Review Committee

- Reviewed and rewrote the timeline for the committee after delays
- Scheduled ASEQ meeting for Sunday the 31st
- Reviewed options for presenting a survey to gather information from the student body on their current use and knowledge of the program and what interest there would be in expansion options
- Reviewed the basic status of legal / mental health options and its status regarding international students and the McGill Insurance plan - and why that was separate

SSMU Electoral Reform Committee

- Open to the public in Room 302 of the SSMU building at 4pm
- Discussed online campaigning, and poster/flier guidelines
- Full timeline of issues is planned and will be sent to committee members and made available to the public

MAASH - McGill Allied Against Sexual Harassment

- Met with Equity Commissioners and finalized the proposal and divided the workload
- Reviewed applications from members-at-large
- Reviewed offers of assistance from EPIC and ABQ (Ask Big Questions)
- Met with VP Social to discuss Event Planning
- Contacted VP Internal about room bookings
- Working with VP Social to acquire a liquor permit
- Tentative date will be the week of February 15th

Multi-Faith Dialogue Initiative

- Met with SSMU President Ibrahim to organize an event around tolerance, non-violence and multi-faith engagement
- President Ibrahim is getting contact info of relevant student groups, academics and religious officials for involvement
- Drafting an event plan before moving forward

Academic Advising Initiative

- Met with VP Academic and John Namchi on an advising initiative through a course planning application
- VP Academic will be reaching out to departments to acquire necessary information
- Further information will be collected as necessary by members of the working group

Faculty of Arts Committee

- Will attend upcoming meeting on Jan. 26th

Board of Directors

- Called a meeting for Jan. 25th
- Second meeting upcoming for Jan. 27th

Lexi

SSMU Equity Committee:

- I have contacted TVM to see if they would work with us on our upcoming project. They seemed interested but I am still waiting for further replies.
- We are scheduling an initial meeting as a committee

AUS Constitutional By-law Review Committee:

- Creating Electoral By-laws related to the screening process for the selection of the VP Finance
- Amendments made to the ASEF by-laws to require reports to be submitted based on what the funding was spent on
- Future projects include reviewing council by-laws, HR policy by-laws

Nominating Committee:

- The interview phase for hiring a new Judicial Board Justice was completed by SSMU
- We are now looking into scheduling a meeting to making a selection

External Affairs Committee:

- Unfortunately this committee was abolished

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