



Report of the President, AUS Council February 24th 2016

Committees and Working Groups

- Human Resources Review Committee: Met Feb 11 to work on ongoing projects, especially online hiring platform (details of projects below). Meeting again on Feb 26.
- Constitutional and By-Law Review Committee: Met Feb 19 to go over ISAC and AIOAC Bylaws and review constitutional amendment referendum questions (voted on today).
- Arts Computer Lab Fund Committee and Info Tech Committee: Joint meeting March 30 to distribute funds after developing renovation plan for Arts Lounge, Leacock and Ferrier
- Arts Internship Office Advisory Committee: SQ. CBRC has drafted AIOAC Bylaws, which are now being sent to Dean and AIO for review before being submitted to AUS Council for AIO approval. Still looking for student members for AIOAC to meet later in semester
- Accountability Committee: SQ. Next meeting date TBA.
- SSMU Presidents' Roundtable: Unable to attend meeting on February 16th
- AUS Departmental Presidents Roundtable: Meeting later in March to discuss transitions
- Faculty Meetings: SQ. Next meeting on March 8th
- Curriculum Committee: Meeting on Feb 22nd cancelled due to lack of business

Memorandum of Agreement Negotiations and SNAX

- Met with DPSLL to sign MOA and Letter of Permission on February 12th!
- Seating removed, new POS installed, new labels on products, but some work remains to guarantee SNAX compliance with agreements. MOA work is mostly complete. However, still need to keep focus on SNAX and relations with McGill—Letter of Permission expires in December and planning for renewal negotiations must commence far before then

AUS Governance

- Dept. Associations you MUST email elections.aus@mail.mcgill.ca to apply for an exemption if you do not want to hold your departmental elections on the standard departmental electoral timeline (to be approved this Council) OR use simplyvoting
- Winter general electoral period: campaigning and voting goes until 5 PM on February 25th at ssmu.simplyvoting.com
- Voting on AUS referendum questions at this meeting of AUS Council:
 1. Renewing Arts Computer Lab Fee at a reduced fee level
 2. Cleaning up references to FEARC in the AUS Constitution
 3. Revising portfolio mandates of VP Social and VP External
 4. Revising constitution to allow flexibility around AUS External Assistant hiring
- Working with several Dept. Associations to review and revise their constitutions
- Met with BASiC (with SUS) Feb 18 to discuss plans and concerns around BASiC incorporation/accreditation as a legally separate Faculty Association from AUS/SUS

Human Resources

- Continuing to work on several HR initiatives through HR Review Committee: review of positions under each portfolio (nearly completed), new centralized hiring platform for website (finalizing this week, to launch in late Feb-early March), improving transitions and trainings for execs and volunteers (still being discussed), and more
- Met with CAPS on Feb 10 to discuss hiring and interview best practices
- Met with auditor on Feb 17 to discuss stipended positions, audits, and more

Other Updates

- Communicating with uPrint to add a second printing machine to Lounge Computer Lab
- Working on strategy for consultation with students on long term plan for renovations to the Arts computer labs (in 3rd floor of Ferrier Building, Arts Lounge and Leacock 1st floor)
- To sign up for grad photos: visit http://lassmanstudios.com/dcs_sched/ enter 'mcg16' in the School ID, click on a location/date/time that works best for you and book it!
- Renovation of Arts Building portico was completed on (revised) time on February 12th!
- Exec Office Hours found at <https://ausmcgill.com/governance/aus-team/executive/>
- No Exec office hours during reading week, also office only open on Feb 29 and March 2

Respectfully Submitted,

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