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## Report of the President, AUS Council November 4<sup>th</sup> 2015

### Committees and Working Groups

- Ad-Hoc Human Resources Review Committee: Meeting Nov 11. Will be co-chaired by Arts Senator Erin Sobat and the AUS Secretary General and develop HR bylaws
- MOA Working Group: will meet to discuss McGill's latest offer once write-up is received
- Constitutional and By-Law Review Committee: Next meeting is on Nov 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:30
- Arts Computer Lab Fund Committee and Info Tech Committee: Continuing to think up plans for information technology and computer improvements before first meeting
- Arts Internship Office Advisory Committee: Still looking for last student member before committee can meet. AIO is looking into recruiting a former intern as final member.
- Accountability Committee: Meeting late this week or early the next week to start work!
- SSMU Presidents' Roundtable: Status quo. No next meeting time yet.
- McGill Alumni-Student Engagement Council: Status quo. No next meeting time yet.
- Dean of Arts Selection Advisory Committee: Status quo. Next meeting for interviews.
- Career Coordination Committee: WYBA Coords now hired; Committee meeting soon
- Equity Committee update: "Over the last two weeks, we have been working on the Cultural Appropriation workshop that took place October 27th. There was a great turn out and engaging discussion, most of the feedback received was positive. On Wednesday, we had a meeting with Adam and Bianca to go over budgets for our McGill Students Allied Against Sexual Harassment (MSAASH) campaign. Bianca gave us a lot of advice and we are feeling confident in going forth with the planning of this campaign. This past Thursday was the Halloween BDA, we were asked to be there to help keep an eye out on costumes to ensure that they are all appropriate. We were happy to report that all the costumes were culturally appropriate and everyone was able to enjoy themselves. "

### Memorandum of Agreement Negotiations and SNAX

- Met with Deputy Provost & Student Housing Hospitality Services Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> to discuss McGill's latest offer. Still waiting to receive write-up of meeting conclusions, but there's potential agreement on the table that would allow SNAX to sell sandwiches and pastries for (renewable) 14 month 'test period' under some conditions: suppliers would need to be approved by SHHS; sandwiches and pastries must be pre-packaged; SNAX can't have seating; SNAX must install new Point of Sale system; SNAX subject to spot inspections
- Still need to find exact compromise on two points: criteria for approval of suppliers (also pre-approval of existing suppliers) and mechanism for resolving alleged violations of the SNAX agreement, including what constitutes a violation and the timeline for a resolution

### AUS Governance

- Questions for fall referendum period (to be approved at Council today) are Constitutional amendments around VP Finance selection process, AUS fiscal year dates,

Arts Reps position description changes, Arts Undergraduate Theatre Society Fee Renewal, and Arts Undergraduate Improvement Fund Fee Renewal

- First AUS Referendum Town Hall was Nov 2 and got feedback on referendum questions
- Working on info package for departmental associations on Dept General Assemblies— let me know if your departmental association is planning on holding a GA!
- Met with AUTS On Oct 30 to plan for AUTS Fee renewal referendum
- Reminder: presentation to AUS Council on Nov 18<sup>th</sup> about course evaluations from TLS
- Reminder: AUS Council Equity training session at beginning of today's Council meeting!

### **Human Resources**

- Met with Secretary General on Oct 23 and 30 to lay out plan and tasks for the position.
- HR Review through Ad-Hoc HR Review Committee re-starting at meeting next week

### **Other Updates**

- Met with Dean Meadwell Nov 4 (along with VP Academic) to discuss planned Administrative Service Centres review, especially student consultation (oral report)
- Met with VP External, CAPS and WYBA coordinators Oct 22 to begin planning Work Your BA. WYBA Coordinators and CAPS will be meeting every 1-2 weeks to plan event series.
- Looking for student for SSMU Indigenous Affairs Assembly to be tasked with disseminating information regarding various upcoming projects to student body!
- To sign up for grad photos: visit [http://lassmanstudios.com/dcs\\_sched/](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!
- Arts Health and Wellness Week taking place Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> -6<sup>th</sup>!
- Renovation of Arts Building portico is estimated to be finished in mid-December
- Still waiting on cost estimates for Leacock Space Project from Campus Space and Planning. Considering looking at improvements to computer areas in Leacock Lobby
- Arts Rep Lexi will be attending consultation on City of Montreal's plans to revitalize McTavish street as part of 'River to Mountain Path' of Montreal's 375<sup>th</sup> anniversary
- Office Hours for Fall Semester: Mondays 10:15-11:30 and 1:00-5:30; Tuesdays 1:00-2:30; Wednesdays 1:00-2:30; Fridays 10:15-11:30. Available other times by email!

Respectfully Submitted,

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