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Report of the Arts Representatives to SSMU

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SSMU Activities

- SSMU Council met on November 17
 - Passed motions from GA regarding global access to medicines (but the policy needs two readings) and cost-free birth control coverage
 - Received [presentation on support for students from foster care](#)
- Next meeting on December 1
 - Policy on global access to medicines from GA coming back for second reading
 - Senator elections changes to Education, Science, and Law
- Minutes and roll call voting record now available online

Maria Thomas

- AUS Library Partnership Committee
 - Met on November 18
 - Focusing on mental health
 - Colouring station/more well-being focus
 - Art pieces: get students to vote for them/cycle them
 - Plants: fake flowers to avoid allergies
 - Standing desks have high requests
 - Survey has dropped – responses being collected
- Faculty of Arts Committee
 - Met on November 22
 - Could not attend due to class conflict
- SSMU Mental Health Committee
 - Joined outreach branch
 - Met November 15
 - Working on reaching out to first years and residences to explain various resources on campus

Igor Sadikov

SSMU

- Steering Committee

- Could not attend meeting on November 24 due to failure to wake up
- Provincial Representation Committee
 - Could not attend meeting on November 15 due to conflicting commitment
 - Accessible education policy is being rewritten
- Democratic Governance Review Committee
 - Selected members at large
 - Aiming to hold first meeting before end of semester
- Indigenous Affairs Committee
 - Met on November 18
 - Discussed Indigenizing course content at department level
- SSMU Board of Directors
 - Met on November 25 (first meeting of the new Board)
 - Lengthy confidential session
 - Joined HR Committee and Nominating Committee
- QPIRG Board of Directors
 - Could not attend meeting on November 16

AUS

- Constitutional and Bylaw Review Committee
 - Could not attend meeting on November 18

Faculty of Arts

- Curriculum Committee
 - Could not attend meeting on November 14 due to coursework
- Arts Computer Lab Fund Committee / Arts Info Tech Fund Committee
 - SQ

Isabella Anderson

- Steering Committee (SSMU)
 - Met November 24
 - Approved motions for the next Legislative Council (meets December 1)
- Committee on Student Affairs (AUS)
 - Will resume meetings in the Winter semester
- Faculty of Arts Committee (AUS)
 - Met Tuesday, November 22
 - Discussed upcoming plans for renovating Arts 145/150
 - There were questions surrounding availability of space if this isn't needed in a lecture capacity for professors who teach in the Arts building or have a need for the rooms "as-is"
 - Reports from the Associate Deans:
 - Academic Administration and Oversight

- Developing policy to address low-enrolment courses and programs; will be brought forward in the next semester
- Planning to review importance of Summer Courses in terms of budget and number of courses offered
- Raise awareness of Voluntourism!!
- Student Affairs
 - Deferral Policy
 - Service Point doesn't require documentation for first-time requests for deferral (not just one course, one episode [could be multiple courses in one instance])
 - Fall Reading "Week"
 - How to make this happen??
 - Constraints: Need 13 weeks of classes before Christmas

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Joyfully submitted,

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