



Report of the AUS VP Academic - January 25th, 2017

Faculty Committees

Curriculum Committee meeting for January was conducted by e-Vote, no significant passages. Will report on the Faculty of Arts Committee orally as it met 1/24, this one having a presentation by the Provost.

Student Rights

Slowing down a bit for this semester after the add drop rush, hopefully that's a positive sign!

Academic Affairs Committee

Will be working with the SSMU Know Your Rights campaign in the winter semester to help promote student rights-- if you're interested in tabling or helping promote student rights on campus, get in touch!

LPC

Will report orally on final details but the LPC submission to the AUIFC will be finalized same day as Council-- currently looking at 24 standing desks with adjustable height stools totalling ~\$50,000, paired with a puzzle / relaxation corner at \$7,500, as well as art and plant installations totalling \$12,000. Total application will be in the ballpark of \$69,500.

Essay Centre

Essay Centre opened Monday, yay!!!

Peer Tutoring

Made some changes to the peer tutoring model, moving the peer tutors from volunteers with stipends to independent contractors to better reflect their roles.

Deputy Provost

Tabled with the Deputy Provost, other McGill administrators and some of the AUS Executives Monday! Will report orally.

Prof Talks

Prof talks have set the dates for the remaining prof talks of the year: 2/17, 3/14 (french prof talk), and 3/29.

ASEF

Applications for the Arts Student Employment are now open, still open through the 5th. Applications are available on the AUS website-- please encourage professors in your department to apply!

Teaching Awards

The Teaching Awards Ceremony will be held towards the end of March, but we're already collecting nominations! If your department has an awesome prof,



TA, or advisor, please nominate them!

<https://ausmcgill.com/2017/01/nominate-prof-ta-advisor-aus-teaching-awards-2/>

Free Course Packs

Due to issues in creating the course packs, we're transitioning to take a greater focus on researching and encouraging the faculty and professors to use free resources or cheaper resources to students, will have an AUS report out in early March.

Respectfully submitted,

Erik Partridge, VP Academic