



## REPORT OF THE AUS SOCIAL AFFAIRS – AUGUST 2017

### 1. Internal Orientation Coordination (IOC)

- Attended weekly IOC meetings with Campus Life and Engagement (CL&E), SSMU, and the other frosh holding faculties.
- Signed Memorandum of Understanding.
  - Had meeting with Chris Buddle to go over plans for Frosh, addressed concerns brought up by the university.
- Liaised with Police to go over plans for Beach Day and routes for Montreal Crawl.
  - Finalized presence of command center, tactical van for police which would remain out of the way and only respond in case of emergency during events.
- Resolved emergency Beach Day loading crisis.
  - Location moved due to Electro Parade which would shut down Parc Avenue from Mont-Royale to Place des Arts.
  - Liaised with Police and the City to get permission to host the event at Beaver Lake.
- Debated presence of Beach Club bouncers at bus loading doing full security checks there.
  - Was decided against due to history of interactions with Beach Club bouncers as well as concerns about delays to bus loading time.
- Dietary Restriction bracelets ordered and handed out.
- Met with the Office of Theresa Standing again about registration.
  - City had barred usage of McTavish, therefore Frosh registration had to be moved last minute to lower field.
- Leader training facilitators decided on.

### 2. Arts Frosh Planning

- Final budget updates. Input new actual amounts for invoiced items.
- Finalized deals with all sponsors, signed all contracts.
- Read through bursary applications and dealt full and half bursaries to participants depending on need.
  - This year all participants who were cleared by the Student Aid Office who applied for a bursary received one.
- Montreal Crawl individualized schedules for groups finished.
- All venues finalized and signed, walk-throughs and visits were done of each site.
- Insert and Frosh apparel received at Leacock.
- Bag stuffing organized in the Arts lounge to fill all 1400 frosh bags.
- Group formation overhaul due to new regulations by the city. A week before frosh committee was told:
  - There could be no music due to lack of a noise permit which the city had forgotten to tell us prior. This changed the DJ booth for the event into an area where the Chief of Staff would stand with a megaphone.



- There could not be more than 500 people on the field at any given time, meaning that the current plan for group formation had to be redone. To solve this froshies were told to come at different times depending on the colour of their bracelet. Orange and Black bracelet groups were formed at 11:00 AM while Green bracelet groups were formed at 12:15 PM. Participants and staff coming on and off the field were counted by security and frosh coordinators at the entrance (on McTavish) and exit (on Dr. Penfield). When the cap was reached participants were to form a line up McTavish towards Pins.
- All required materials for Frosh registration gathered. New clamp was purchased to replace old malfunctioning one.
- Bag pick up/Registration ran from 24<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>. Coordinators staffed the tent from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM (5:00 PM on most days), handing out frosh bags and apparel to participants as well as clamping their frosh bracelets on them.
- Faculty Specific training held for the Leaders and O-staff to brief them on various Frosh week events.

### 3. Frosh Week

The layout of events went as follows:

Arts Frosh	Who Ya Gonna Call	All-Ages	Group formation on Rutherford field booked through McGill Athletics + the city. Froshies gathered on the field at 11 AM to be put into groups with their Frosh Leaders. Once in their groups, ice breakers and games ran to help the new students settle in and introduce themselves. The event wrapped up around 2 PM. Expected turnout remained the same, however, only 500 people were let on the field at a time. Orange and Black bracelets arrived to the field at 11 AM while green arrived 12:15 PM. There was security at the entrance as well as a coordinator to count the froshies coming onto the field. Once a group of 25 was made and left the field, 25 new participants were let onto the field to form a group.	8/31/2017 11:00 AM	8/31/2017 2:00 PM
Arts Frosh	Ghost Crawl	All-Ages	Crawl through various food stops and bars. Froshies were lead by their frosh leaders on one of two routes: East (7 stops) or West (6 stops), each route had 2 food stops. There were bathrooms at all stops, although not all were gender-neutral. Each stop was staffed by a Frosh Coordinator, O-staff, and the venue's security + bar staff. Our Inclusivity Coordinator was stationed to roam between the venues on the crawl to respond to any situations that may arise. This year we are also worked with the SPVM. They had our crawl routes before Frosh began and had a Command Station in a central location	8/31/2017 2:00 PM	8/31/2017 7:00 PM



			which worked with our coordinators to mitigate risk and respond in case of emergency.		
Arts Frosh	A Spectre is Haunting	All-Ages	The first night event. This event took place Club Unity in Montreal's Gay Village. Gender-neutral bathrooms were available at the venue. MSERT, Red Frogs, and Walksafe were on site. The venue be provided security and bar staff. For safe travels to and from the venue, O-staff and Coordinators were shifted on major intersections all around venue to direct participants. The SPVM also had the location and details of our night event and were be posted nearby, once again, in case of emergency.	8/31/2017 9:00 PM	9/1/2017 3:00 AM
Arts Frosh	Bust the Sandman	All-Ages	Relaxed event at Montreal's Plage de l'Horloge. This event ran simultaneously with the boat cruises. Plage was wheelchair accessible. This was an alcohol-free event. The main purpose of Plage was to serve as a holding area before and after Frosh groups attended their boat cruise.		
Arts Frosh	Cruise on the Styx	All-Ages	Participants embarked on a 90-minute boat cruise on the Saint-Lawrence River. The boats was wheelchair accessible. Coordinators were shifted on harm reduction and roaming on each cruise. AML Croisiere provided security and bar staff for both cruises. Each boat hit its capacity of 750.	9/1/2017 11:30 AM	9/1/2017 4:00 PM
Arts Frosh	Power Grid	All-Ages	Friday evening event. As it was the night before Beach Day, little turnout was seen. Numbers, however, still did remain within projections.	9/1/2017 9:00 PM	9/2/2017 12:00 AM
Arts Frosh	Ghost Containment System	All-Ages	Movie night on Forbes field. Ghostbusters was shown. Projector and screen service purchased from Benny Camping whose insurance details were provided to Campus Space and Planning. Coordinators and O-staff were staffed on the field.	9/2/2017 8:00 PM	9/2/2017 10:00 PM
Arts Frosh	Getting Slimed	All-Ages	Mountain Breakfast. Cancelled due to the rain.	9/3/2017 9:00 AM	9/3/2017 12:00 PM
Arts Frosh	Stay Puft Marshmallow Man	All-Ages	Tam Tams event. Cancelled due to the Rain	9/3/2017 12:00 PM	9/3/2017 6:00 PM
Arts Frosh	Ghastly Ghost Notes	All-Ages	Piknic Electronic cancelled due to the Rain. This event was replaced with an Arcade day at the Forum de Montreal. Food, drinks, and game cards were bought for participants.	9/3/2017 2:00 PM	9/3/2017 8:00 PM

Not included in the chart are the interfaculty events: Beach Day on September 2, 2017 and All Frosh Concert on September 3, 2017. Beach day proceeded smoothly this year with a very positive response from Beach Club owners. Transition zone worked well and our largest problems were on the mountain.

For All-Frosh Concert capacity was hit this year at the Rap Venue (Metropolis). Participants were able to see Jazz Cartier at 11:15 PM and 3Blau shortly after 12:00 AM.



#### **4. Bar Des Arts**

Bar des Arts faced delay this year due to construction. With exits being hampered, fire capacity for the room was lowered to 60 people, just a bit over double the amount of BdA staff. BdA will remain closed until construction finishes in October. For now, however, staff apps can be found here: <https://goo.gl/forms/YogqqkQjKPb0wo4E2>

#### **5. Events Planning and Involvement Committee**

Number one problem facing EPIC is visibility. Many Arts students still don't know about it and the scale of its events still remain rather small. This year more effort will be put into marketing and undertaking larger projects for the student body.

EPIC is now hiring Co-Chairs: <https://goo.gl/forms/NKtxsAoGiPNQiQ3J3>

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