

Senate - Joint Board-Senate Meeting to take place on 11/14

- Will report orally

Senate Caucus (all 13 undergraduate student senators, meets once a week)

 Had presentations from SSMU Environment Commissioners and SSMU Mental Health Commissioners

### Madeline

### Committees

- Enrolment and Student Affairs Advisory Committee Met on 11/6
  - Created ad-hoc subcommittees on Fall Reading Week, Involuntary Leave Policy, and Cannabis Policy
    - Fall Reading Week subcom will include representation from varied faculties and from students
    - Cannabis Policy to be reworked into one overarching policy on smoking, drugs, alcohol, etc.
  - Open discussion on S/U option
    - Data was gathered on current usage of the S/U option
      - 1600 total usages in Fall 2018
      - 54% at the 200 level
      - Most courses taken in Arts by students from a wide array of faculties
        - Courses in FRSL, ECON, GEOG, etc.
  - First-time exam deferral w/o documentation update
    - Want to add disclaimer notifying students of the consequences of deferring
- Code of Student Conduct being revised, Buddle wanting to bring notice to Nov Senate, for vote in Dec.
- Subcommittee on Undergraduate Student Advising
  - Has not met yet, has not reached out to me

### **Personal Projects**

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Open Educational Resources (OERs)

- HIST 213, MATH 140/1 have agreed to participate in our project!
- Will be meeting still with ECON 208/9 and CHEM 120

## Ommu-Kulsoom

### Committees

- McGill Athletics and Recreation Advisory Board (MARAB)
  - The committee met for the first time on November 7th
  - Varsity Name Change
    - The Director of Athletics ruled that it was not allowed to be discussed
    - Waiting on report from the Working Group on Principles of Commemoration and Renaming
  - Hazing Policy
    - As far as they are concerned no incidents have occured since they started doing workshops on Hazing
    - Every newly admitted varsity athlete attends this mandatory training
    - Captains have to attend a tailored training
    - Varsity athletes present suggested that since they are not really opportunities for team bonding, a funded trip per teams to bond would be a good way to ensure that hazing culture is completely abolished at McGill
  - Strategic Planning lunch on December 3rd
    - Members of MARAB, Alumni, and KPE Professors
    - The reason for the meeting is to receive input on the student-focused strategic plan they have decided on with the firm LBB Strategies they hired
  - Athletics Improvement Fee Renewal Referendum
    - 10\$/semester
    - McGill's Athletics facilities need to be renovated due to deteriorating conditions below is the list of items on their reno list as well as new additions to the facilities that will be financed through the renewal of the fee
    - Your input is still very much needed so feel free to voice any concerns
    - Ideas on making the space more accessible and accommodating or also appropriate points to bring up

Athletics would like student input on the following projects they have in the works

- A new Lounge / Study area near the current equipment room.
- Renovations and refurbishing of Men's and Women's Locker/Change rooms
- Development of additional Individual/Small Group workout spaces (adjacent current PODS)
- Field House resurfacing
- Nutrition Lab
- Pool Renovations
- Air Conditioning in the Gyms and Fieldhouse
- Creating an additional multi-purpose activity room to be booked on a 1<sup>st</sup> come first served basis by student clubs (free)
- Refurbishing of area adjacent the MAC Paddle Shack at Macdonald Campus

- Outdoor Jungle Gym
- If you have any specifics thoughts on any of these projects please email me @ <u>artssenator2@ssmu.ca</u>

# • Academic Policy Committee (APC)

- The APC meeting for the 15th November was cancel due to no new business on the agenda
- The next meeting will be taking place on December 13th

## Honorary Degrees and Convocations Committee

• Nothing to Report. Our next meeting is on March 14th

# Personal Project

## African Studies program reform

- Will be looking into enrollment statistics for AFRI Studies courses through mercury evaluations/minerva
- Will be contacting Susan Sharpe to inquire who I need to contact to obtain or where I should look to locate Departmental budgets are
- Working on a timeline for this project

## **Inclusive Hiring**

- Meeting with Professor Adelle Blackett this week to discuss this issue
- Topics that will be discussed
  - Tenure Track positions vs Course Lecturers
  - Approaches used in the Faculty of Law
  - The best way to approach departments about this issue