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SENATE CAUCUS REPORT SEPTEMBER 25- OCTOBER 8, 2018

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MADELINE WILSON (ARTS SENATOR)

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Committee Work:

Nothing to report: ESAAC 10/2 cancelled

Faculty Updates :

AUS Council met 9/20 - amended standing rules of Council for increased accessibility for absences

Personal Project Updates :

Waitlists

- My motion passed the Faculty of Arts Committee!
- Next steps involve adapting the motion into a formal Faculty policy and publicizing among administrative employees in the Faculty responsible for putting on waitlists
- Hope to open as soon as possible on courses currently without for winter 2019
- Will also be drafting messaging to students to disperse before/during Winter 2019 add/drop surrounding waitlists
 - Why your spot may not be moving despite seeing space opening up in the class (reserved seat rules)
 - To accept/reject invitation to register from the waitlist as soon as it's given so as not to block the rest of the people behind you

Work Study

- Will be bringing motion to temporarily (for 2 years) add Arts Senators (and ArtSci Senator?) to AUS Executive Work Study Contract until SSMU applies for all positions
- Cheaper overall for Arts Student Executives to be work study paid because of AUS Work
 Study Fund levied by Arts Students \$10 reimbursed to student associations instead of \$5 (\$5 from AUS Work Study Fund, \$5 from Work Study)
- In the meantime, SSMU will be looking into work study for all employees

OERs

- Monique and I will be reaching out to the Library to hire an individual for a position approved by the SSMU Library Improvement Fund last year
- Person will be compiling OERs for one course that a prof wants OERs in
- Hired and managed by the library, but influenced by Monique and I

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Committee Work:

None of my committees have met yet.



Faculty Updates :

None

Personal Project Updates :

- Met with the BSN President and other members of their exec to discuss forming a committee for the implementation of a Black Studies department under the Faculty of Arts at McGill
- Requested access to the Faculty of Arts' budget from Jacob

BRYAN BURAGA (ARTS & SCIENCE SENATOR)

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Committee Work:

- Enrollment and Student Affairs Advisory Committee (ESAAC) meeting on October 2nd cancelled
- Subcommittee on Courses and Teaching Program (SCTP) meeting on September 27th cancelled
- Attended Steering Committee on September 22nd
- Attended the SSMU Legislative Council meeting on September 27th
 - Questions I sent in re: Menstrual Hygiene Products Policy were answered
 - Tl;dr SSMU is spending the fund surplus (20k?) on installing dispensers throughout campus
 - Far Right Groups motion tabled indefinitely
 - Introduced notice of motion on changing SSMU Internal Regulations on Society Strikes
 - Might pull it in order to get more consultation
 - Motion to create Governance Reform committee passed
 - Committee is looking for 2 student senators to sit on it
 - Was elected to the Board of Directors for SSMU!
 - Ratification is at the General Assembly on October 29th (please come!)

Faculty Updates :

Attended BASiC meeting on September 18th

- Looking to fill BASiC committees
- Asked me to look for office space on their behalf
- SSMU Representative found!
- Met with ArtSci student looking to do an ad hoc major in Public Health (campaign priority)
- Held Office Hours at SACS picnic on September 19th
 - Top 3 priorities: Fall Reading Break, Mental Health Services, Abusive Professors



Personal Project Updates :

- Fall Reading Break:
 - Hopefully going to have first committee meeting in the next 2 weeks
 - Working with SSMU President to have members from all faculties/school
 - Sarim (Engineering Senator) will be sitting on the committee on behalf of Senate Caucus

Miscellaneous Updates:

- Still have Office Hours!
 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday 1-2 PM in the Arts Lounge (Leacock Basement)
 - Also by appointment
- Met with Senator Mikkelson and Governors Nystrom and Barney re: next steps on divestment on September 24th
 - Finding a way to force action on it
- Met with former GSVP implementation coordinator on GSVP policy coming to next Legislative Council
- Meeting with VP External sometime this week
- Meeting with Dean Buddle on October 5th

ZI HUANG (EDUCATION)

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Committee Work:

Subcommittee on Teaching and Learning – STL:

- Did not attend due to stage but spoke with other student representative for details
- Skills 21: going into its second year at McGill. It provides undergrads with a series of workshops that give students co-curricular record credit. Their concern is looking for ways to advertise this program and receiving continuous feedback.
- Crowdmark software: digitizes exams and papers. Tested mainly in the Science faculty. Apparently has no flaws except for the high cost of the program. Do you think it is worth it for McGill to invest in this?
- STL was asked to commemorate the history of TLS (Teaching and Learning Services). Suggested that we start a social media campaign where teachers and students share a memory from their interactions with TLS

Faculty Updates :



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- Construction in our library and outside our building is still happening and very disruptive during class
- Future Teachers Appreciation Program launched by Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur (MEES): it has been confirmed. Students who complete their final stage will get 3.9k in two installments

COLIN DONAHOE (MANAGEMENT)

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Committee Work:

- Committee on Enrolment and Student Affairs (CESA) to meet October 16, 2018
- Subcommittee on Student Affairs Policy (SSAP) has not met

Faculty Updates :

• MUS working on an Involvement Restriction Policy

Personal Project Updates :

• Nothing to report

SARIM MALIK (ENGINEERING SENATOR)

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Committee Work:

- Nothing to report
- Reached out to SSAO Advisory Board for meeting schedule (they haven't contacted me thus far)

Faculty Updates:

Participated in the Engineering Board of Governors (BoG) meeting on 23rd September 2018
 Nothing to report

Personal Project Updates:

- Scholarship Renewal Policy
 - Currently working with Jacob
 - Going through past statistics for entrance scholarship renewal
 - o Building case for potential policy recommendations
- Meeting with Senator Noemie-Dorval Courchesne



- Didn't happen as she had some other commitment last minute
- Rescheduling soon

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Committee Work:

None.

Faculty Updates :

- Fall Elections: results were in on Oct. 1st.
- First LSA Council: Friday, Oct. 12th.

Personal Project Updates :

• LWA Meeting #3 - Tuesday, Sept. 25th 2018: We discussed about programming ideas (workshops, training, etc.) for the Law's LWA.

Miscellaneous Updates:

- Meeting with Prof. Gold on Tuesday, Oct. 9th.
- Meeting with Dean Leckey on his office hours most likely Thursday Oct. 11th or Tuesday Oct. 16th.
 - His office hours are on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:15 to 1:00 in the Atrium for those interested in meeting him.

ANDRE LAMETTI (MEDICINE SENATOR)

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Committee Work:

Could not attend Health Advisory board meeting 2018-10-14 due to clinical duties.

Faculty Updates :

I am now in lead of the process for the renewal of the MSS-McGill MOA, expiring May 31, 2019, in conjunction with the MSS board.

Personal Project Updates :

Nil.

Miscellaneous Updates:

Was in contact again with Gillian Nycum for an eventual visit at Senate Caucus.



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Legislative council motion on far-right groups discussed at September 24 caucus was postponed *sine die* but is expected to return.

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A REPORT WAS NOT SUBMITTED

SOFIA GADBOIS (MUSIC SENATOR)

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Committee Work:

Nothing to report - agenda/schedules not released for both committees yet

Faculty Updates :

Attended first MUSA meeting

Code of Conduct

- introduced to Music Faculty not yet adopted
- Is this something other faculties have in place?

Personal Project Updates :

Nothing to report

Miscellaneous Updates:

Schulich Buddy program

- Initiated this semester and going well!

ANNALISE PATZER (NURSING SENATOR)

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Committee Work:

• None, awaiting CSAB to contact me, and next UHSC meeting is in two weeks

Faculty Updates :

• Setting up meeting with Environmental Health and Safety Director Wayne Wood to discuss impact of EHS offering N95 mask fittings in conjunction with Student Health Services and how that will affect NUS/ISoN



Personal Project Updates :

Need to contact someone at Rossy Student Wellness Hub, how will this affect SHS and the clinic? Hub is slated to open Spring/Summer 2019, and there will be Hub Healthy Living Annex as well as the Clinic

• Could STI mobile clinic be beneficial to students, will have to see if Hub plans on emphasizing STI care in living annex/clinic

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As SSMU Executives, Isabelle Oke and Muna Tojiboeva reports to the SSMU Legislative Council every two weeks. Their reports can be found among the other Council Meeting documents at this link

https://ssmu.ca/governance/ssmu-legislative-council/