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## SRA Bylaws & Procedures Commissioner

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TO: Members of the Student Representative Assembly  
FROM: David Lee  
SUBJECT: SRA 16L Report  
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### PROGRESS ON YEAR PLAN

The Bylaws Committee is excited to be back and continuing our hard work this new term. I am writing this report before the break and hope to achieve a couple of points before the new year.

In terms of reviewing bylaws, I have divided the committee to tackle bylaws which they have indicated an interest in. In terms of the First Year Council Bylaw, I have Jacob MacKinnon attending FYC events and sitting on meetings to ensure that the current structure is an effective one. I also have Shawn Wu looking over the MSU Membership Bylaw (Bylaw 2) and making sure that it outlines circumstances in which a part-time student can apply to be an MSU member. These are just how I have divided the committee in terms of the year plan but I have also taken on some projects.

In terms of improving General Assembly, I have spoken to the Speaker, Genya and have discussed some ideas such as maintaining a report structure on GA motions so that students are able to track its progress. Looking at the structure of how academic divisions are divided was also in my year plan. I plan on working on this point along with the Governance Ad-Hoc Committee to gain more feedback on some ideas.

### PAST EVENTS, PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES

The past month, the committee has been hard at work to produce the report on the referendum structure. As mentioned in the previous meeting, in order to implement the change of putting a limit on the referendum question we would like SRA Members to ask their constituents their opinion on this. Thank you to Max Lightstone as well for taking the initiative and releasing a survey on this issue. The committee hopes that other SRA members will be able to ask feedback on this matter for the next week before we can implement a bylaw change.

With regards to the other recommendations, I plan on speaking with more full-time staff regarding the research so that the committee is able to gain historical context. Further, we hope to implement these bylaw changes, if necessary, moving forward.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS, PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES**

Last SRA meeting, the committee was tasked to look over the bylaws and make sure that it uses gender inclusive language. I have taken on to review the bylaws over the break and hope that we can implement these changes in the new term.

The other task was looking at attendance and leave of absences during SRA meetings. Ezekiel will be leading this project and reviewing certain ways we can hold members more accountable for attendance and tardiness. I hope to assign more committee members to this task and plan on focusing on this for the upcoming month.

Best,

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