To the most honorable Assembly,

This report will inform you on the Executive Board meetings of June 5th to July 6th, 2017.

**EB 17-01 - June 7, 2017**

The MSU Services continue to work hard to fulfill their mandates and offer students extensive and useful resources. As this was our first meeting of the semester, there is not much information to present regarding the status of our services. We do have to raise certain decisions made by the executive board to the assembly.

The Vice Presidents Education, Administration and Myself have been in extensive conversation about the function of SCSN - The Student Community Support Network. The Executive Board participated in conversations regarding off campus students. We talked about our experiences as students who lived off campus, and how we can make SCSN more relevant to off campus and commuter students. We are confident based on the conversations at executive board that the direction we are taking the service is truly reflective of the needs of the student body. These are not the ends of such conversations as we will continue to have them at the neighborhood advisory committee.

The changes to the SCSN operating policy include a mandate to work with other groups on campus, including the SRA Municipal Affairs Committee, the Off-Campus Resource Centre, the Society of Off Campus Students, and the Commuter in Residence Experience program. It also includes a new objective to assist in the development and maintenance of a Landlord Wiki/Rating System, as outlined the agendas of the President and the VP Educations Platform. We believe SCSN is a good place to house this initiative, similarly to how the Course Wiki is administered by Macademics. Administrative changes were also made to the OP to align it with more recent operating policies. Please review updated SCSN operating policy and contact Victoria Scott for tracked changes. This was unanimously passed by the executive board.

The new operating parameters read as follows:

**2.6 SCSN** shall work collaboratively with McMaster’s Off Campus Resource Centre to facilitate and disseminate services to off-campus students;
2.7 **SCSN** shall work collaboratively with the Society of Off Campus Students and the Commuter in Residence Experience (CoRE) program to coordinate events and programming to engage off-campus students;

2.8 **SCSN** shall assist in the creation and maintenance of a landlord rating system.

Last year the internal team structure of Underground was reorganized to increase its efficiency as well as its number of designers. With this change, a modern design position was created. This capital request is to purchase a design computer for the new SOP Junior Graphic Designer. For more details, please feel free to ask questions you deem necessary.

At **EB 17-02 - June 22, 2017**, we heard from CLAY, Diversity services, Horizons, Mac Bread Bin, Farm Stand, and Shinerama. Things move on as normal with these services and they are all preparing for the school year. Farm Stand is operating through the entrance by starbucks and raised concerns that they have limited visibility as compared to previous years. The most dignified VP administration has followed up on this file. The reality of the situation is that inside the student center proves to be better than outside. There are fears that the summer temperatures will damage the goods.

**PSL**, has revised its structure, their new structure would allow for more flexibility with their staff. The only on-call staff they had last year were then PSL coordinator and PSL assistant coordinator. This essentially meant that whenever a listener was unable to come to their assigned shift, the PSL coordinator and assistant coordinator had to come in. More often than not, this also meant that the coordinator and assistant coordinator could not let go of their phone or leave campus until the shifts have been filled. To address this concern, each member of PSL executive team will be on call for one of the five days of the week (i.e. Monday – Friday), in addition to the coordinator and assistant coordinator being on call during the weekends.

The leadership of MACycle has really stepped up this year and is working closely with the VP Administration and finance to create a robust executive structure and internal financial controls. A volunteer coordinator, shop coordinator, events coordinator, and promotions coordinator have been hired. The entire EB congratulates the MACycle PTM for his work ethic and his diligence. The impeccable VP Education had the wages of the final members of the ED team approved and he is looking forward to paying his people.

**EB 17-03 - July 6, 2017** was an ecstatic affair. Macademics, MACyle, PSL QSCC, and SHEC all reported. SHEC is extremely proud of their new executives and how they are responding to the new executive structure. Maccess is in the middle of hiring whereas Macademics has completed the hiring process. QSCC coordinator proposed changes to the structure of the service after extensive coordination with the VP Administration and the Services administrative assistant, they have a slightly re-gigged structure. One part of this changed structure is to empower all members of their executive to be able to provide peer support. The honorable VP finance updated the EB on the progress regarding the 1280 café.


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