Omar El-Sharawy- VP Internal End of Year Report

My responsibilities entail:

- To coordinate meetings of the Students’ Society Programming Network (SSPN) and provide reports of their business to the Legislative Council.

- To develop and implement programming, both academic and social, for the Society. To produce a schedule of events which engages the membership and greater McGill community in a meaningful way, such as Frosh&Orientation, Four Floors, Week 101, Faculty Olympics, SSMU Awards and speaker series.

- To oversee the planning and submission the VP Internal, Frosh, Faculty Olympics, Franco Fete, Homecoming, SSPN, Award Banquet, Four Floors, Movies in the Park, Athletics, Concerts & Conferences, and Council – Communications budget.

- Coordinating, in conjunction with the Communications and Publications Manager, Photographer, and Yearbook staff, the publication of the Old McGill yearbook.

- Publicizing, maintaining, and editing the listserv.

- Coordinating and maintaining the Society’s social media presence; and

- The use of the Society’s website, ensuring its content is current, relevant, accessible, and appealing.

- Oversee the student engagement committee and ensure constant communication between the SSMU and the student body.

- To foster relationships and rapport with the Faculty Associations, and other departments of the University as necessary which might not be tied to another Executive Portfolio.

What I have done:

Week101:

- Improve participation.

- Inclusion of groups outside of McGill- “Under pressure” artists.

- Greater coordination with Sleeman.

Faculty Olympics:

- Further improve on last year’s success.

- Reached a new record number of participants.

- Increase variety of events, programmed more events centered around academics and athletics.

- Use of different venues to improve variety of events (e.g. Beach Club).
Montreal Impact Student Discount:
- Coordinate with the Montreal Impact to get the McGill community a discount for a home game against Columbus Crew to ensure increased variety of events and opportunities SSMU provides

Ambassador Bruce Heyman (U.S Ambassador to Canada visiting SSMU)
- Coordinated with the U.S Consulate staff in Montreal to bring Ambassador Heyman to SSMU
- Ambassador engaged a student panel in a reverse interview where students can express their thoughts and make their voices heard
- Organized a reception after the event where students could talk to U.S Consulate staff to learn more about internships, advice and more information

Red&White week:
- Continue the success of red and white week from last year
- Working more closely with campus life and engagement to ensure cohesiveness of event with its purpose
- Looking to improve working relations with the McGill Alumni Association to improve success of event

SSMU Samosa Support
- Provided 900 samosas for the student body and 500 pencils as a good luck package for finals season beginning

Grad Frosh:
- Expanded events over 3 days
- 3 days include a PowerHour, Patio Night and Beach-Day

Listserv
- Restructured the listserv to increase appeal
- Improved outreach average from 20% to 30%
- Looking to build upon feedback from students to make listserv more engaging

Yearbook
- Designers have ensured to make Yearbook more appealing by restructuring the yearbook while maintaining its charisma

Frosh
- Faculties and SSMU have new roles and responsibilities in Frosh; in coordination with Campus Life and Engagement office
- SSMU will act more as a support tool for faculties and their programming for Frosh!