

To the McGill University Community:

Based on recommendations from an Ad Hoc Committee, the MAUT Council passed a resolution on December 14, 2011, calling for the creation of a broad-based and inclusive Committee to examine the “Implications of the Events of 10 November.” The committee includes the following representatives:

Malcolm Baines, former MAUT President (Retired), Chair
3 Members of Academic Staff: Anthony Pare; Caroline Riches; Daniel Cere
2 Non-Academic Staff: Ron Critchley, President (MUNASA); TBA (MUNACA)
2 students: PGSS: Lily Han; SSMU: Alison Cooper

The mandate of the Committee is as follows:

“The Committee [shall] develop recommendations for the Administration and the Senate of McGill University concerning the implications for University policy and governance of the events that led up to, unfolded on and resulted from the occupation of the James Administration Building and the presence of riot police on campus on November 10, 2011. In particular, this Committee shall consider the factors that produced the context for the events, including the state of collegiality and governance, as well as securitization of the campus, and make recommendations designed to ensure accountability.”

“The Committee shall consider all relevant materials, including other reports produced concerning the events, and shall invite submissions and representations. In particular, it shall seek representations from MUNACA.” The Committee is reviewing reports prepared by Dean Jutras and the Independent Student Inquiry and other available information and comments associated with those reports, including the Live-Streamed discussion at Senate.

“The Committee shall prepare a Report [submitted] to MAUT Council by March 1, 2012 so as to facilitate the presentation of proposals to the March 21, 2012 meeting of Senate and to the University Administration. Its Report shall be made public.”

Through this communiqué, I invite members of the McGill community to send observations and recommendations pertaining to the mandate set out above to the Committee, via maut@mcgill.ca.

Sincerely,

John Galaty, President (MAUT)