Community Engagement Committee Report

January 12, 2012

I. The Committee has reviewed the following applications and would like to make the following recommendations to Council for approval:

Applicant: McGill Social Equity and Diversity Education (SEDE) Office

Amount requested: \$5000

Project description (see attached job description and email confirmation from Veronica Amberg, SEDE Director): Service Day is a joint student-staff initiative that aims to have the McGill community (students and staff) partaking in group activities throughout the Montreal community for one day. The purpose of the activities, and indeed the purpose of the Day, is to address social needs and to celebrate pre-existing community engagement initiatives at McGill. To as much an extent as possible, Service Day will build on and incorporate pre-existing student initiatives. SEDE is requesting \$5000 for the hire of two student interns from January to April. Each intern will work 10-15 hours per week in the SEDE office.

Applicant: Political Science Students' Association (PSSA)

Amount requested: \$900

Project description: Battle for the Charity is the PSSA's name for its annual charity concert, a battle of the bands wherein all profits are donated to the Benedict Labre House, a local Montreal home and help center for the homeless. Aside from providing housing and meal kitchens to the homeless, the Labre House has extensive programs to help get people off the streets like counselor sessions and rehabilitation programs revolving around sports, arts, and nature.

Applicant: Urban Groove

Amount requested: \$785

Project description: This funding will provide 3 large mirrors for use at Innovation Jeunes, a community centre located at 1410 Rue Pierce. Urban Groove will be conducting dance classes at this location. They will be offering many styles of dance for the students to choose from (including contemporary, salsa, tap, break-dancing, tutting, popping, and many more!) but will focus primarily on Hip Hop. At the end of the session, Urban Groove hopes to showcase the youth at our end of the year show in March, either through a performance or a video presentation.

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Position Context

The Social Equity and Diversity Education (SEDE) Office is committed to building recognition, visibility

