



# VP Social Mid-Mandate Report

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## I OVERALL

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As a VP social, your goal is not only to organize the social event but also to engage with the student life and be present as a team player. For the first part of the year, the main events are frosh, lizard lounge, Boo-Annex and Movember.

## 2 FROSH

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This year’s frosh was great success in regards the amount of froshies who had attended. In our year, we have implemented a frosh committee to which only 3 of the upcoming execs were part of it. Considering that frosh requires a lot of time, preparation and involvement, I believe that it will be quite important for all the execs to be part of it in order to be prepared to work as a team throughout the year. It is very important to look at the frosh report before and to be familiar with it; it will give you a strong guideline of what to look for. Also set deadlines prior to what has been set in order to avoid any last minutes problem, set up a logistic of each event as detailed as possible, last minute details are the most omitted and end up been the biggest headache during the event. The more you plan the more you can “chill also” during the event. One more thing I’d like to add is it will be a really good head start if we advertise the ski trip with flyers in the swag bag, not only it will reach over 800 froshies in one shot but also get the ball going for the ski trip advertisement.

## 3 LIZARD LOUNGE

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This year Lizard Lounge was quite mess and will be readjusted for the upcoming semester. The reason of this mess is due of the lack of involvement of the societies, the liquor license missing and the exec not been involved as much as needed. The purpose of the lizard is to bring a

familiar environment for all ENCS student to hang out at the end of the week. It is also important that alcohol is not the only attraction of the LL, therefore it is very important to also engage the none drinker into activities/entertainment.

Very important → Send an email at beginning of the year to all the societies' VP Social (cc all Societies execs) the date of everyone's LL and a breakdown of what needs to get done on their end and our end (ECA).

These are few things that would be good to know, it will save you time and headache.

- Send a reminder a week ahead to each society's upcoming LL, ask them what's their theme or activity they are planning to do. This will remind them that they need to have something going on and to promote it on their FB page and the ECA newsletter.
- Send a text to the B-Annex manager of the type& amount of beer that needs to be put in the fridge → *Early morning 10 am!* Unless we have a new fridge, it takes a while to chill the beer!!
- Make sure whoever is hosting it is bringing the ICE by 3pm max and start setting up by 4:30pm. (The ice will be reimbursed as long as they have their receipt.)
- Don't forget to remind them that they are also responsible for the cleanup, along with the ECA execs.
- Depending on the popularity of the events a minimum of 4 execs needs to be present at each LL, if needed, set up a schedule with your future execs on who will be actively attending, meaning: behind the bar, deal with what needs to be taken care of, cleaning, etc.

Ideally all execs should attend the LL to also represent the ECA but realistically not everyone is always available, communication/confirmation is the key for a mutual understanding.

## 4 BOO-ANNEX

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As every year's tradition CSCE usually have the Friday's LL of the Halloween week with a pumpkin carving competition. Then afterwards ECA is hosting along and extending the night till 11pm, sort of pre-event party. This year we have bought quite a few decorations that has been stored at the B-Annex, we also used the Absolut Robot from Chris. Morin, to which was pretty cool! Make sure you find/get the buckets for the alcohol buckets deal. We thought we had some but looks like they were lost, we bought new ones but just make sure you have them at hand last minute surprises. We also got some dry ice but that was mostly a waste since it wasn't used properly. The cleanup wasn't done till the next morning because there was too much of mess to clean the same night and not enough people that hosted stayed till the end. *I strongly advise you to make sure that the Lounge is not booked the next morning in order to avoid complaints of the following day's host.*

## 5 MOVEMBER

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Since November is right after Halloween... That usually doesn't get promoted as wished or promoted too late! Therefore we have decided not to necessarily focus on the full month of Movember, instead we had a fundraising at the mid-month by having a hockey night with beer and free popcorn. That end up been a great success, it went smooth relax people came to chill on the sofa like home. Considering finals and projects deadline coming up really soon this event was perfect and not too hectic.

## 6 WHAT FAILED

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I was quite ambitious on what I wanted to accomplish versus what can be accomplished. The fall semester is already quite full with the ECA overall involvement, if anything needs to be plan it has to be done in August. With school and study load along with the extra continuous meeting in regards Frosh, it is quite demanding to keep up, especially if you are a new member in a society. In order to have a smooth sailing it is primordial to have all the activities booked and reserved before the beginning of Frosh week, in order advertising it properly, Marketing is everything!!! Events that has been cancelled due of lack of marketing and difficulty to reach the person in charge of certain booking: Arbraska, Yoga Day. Although I had a yoga teacher, reaching the Loyola chapel contact was very complicated, BE prepared to run after people, and be aware that everyone has different priorities and if you want to get something done you have to be very persistent and firm. Don't get fooled by everyone who says they know what they are doing, double check everything, because at the end you fail alone or you win as a team.