Report of the President

Name: Madeleine Stinson

Reporting Period: July 17, 2021 – August 11, 2021

Council Date: August 18, 2021

Internal Affairs and DSU Committees

- Ongoing work to support O-Week, specifically the logistic and administrative aspects of Dal Fest.
- Work with an ad hoc student group, EduAllyty, to discuss and advocate for tuition waivers on campus.
- First round of Strategic Plan consultation closes on August 16th.
- New retainer agreement with the DSU’s legal team to allow for more available hours for student programming. New timeline for the governance review set.
- Ongoing work to manage & re-negotiate the Ascension Barbershop lease.

Executive Committee Meetings


July 26th: Recommendation made to the Registrar’s Office regarding a $1000.00 society donation from office fundraising. Discussion on provincial election. Office closure notice. Work from home & fall hours discussion. VPAE gave update on Student Senate Caucus and the international students’ issues policy development.

August 06th: Update on staff training and the housing campaign. Discussion on Ascension lease, society involvement in O-Week, and TRC day off at Dalhousie.

Additional Meetings

July 19-30th: Hiring for the Grawood & T-Room with DSU Bar Manager. Full interview days on July 23, 26, 27, 28, & 29. Welcome to all of our new part-time staff!

July 21, 12pm: Elections meeting with communications and outreach staff. Through late July and early August, the DSU shared materials on social media and worked with various
organizations to plan a live candidate debate to help educate students on the Provincial election. Mid way through the week of August 09th, the debate was cancelled because several parties were no longer able to send candidates.

**July 21, 2pm:** Council prep meeting with executives & staff.

**July 21, 2:30pm:** Meeting with executive to determine recommendations for Student Senate Caucus.

**July 21, 6pm:** DSU Council.

**July 23, 9am:** Director Check-In.

**July 27, 2:30pm:** Hiring interview for the Equity & Accessibility Manager. Additional Interview on August 04. Hiring decision made. Welcome, Morgan, to the team!

**July 29, 2:30pm:** Meeting with executives to discuss the international students' issues policy draft. First created in 2019, being picked up again by the Interim VPAC. Second meeting on August 04.

**August 03, 2pm:** Meeting with VPSL and Director of Research & Outreach to discuss DalFest.

**August 05, 10am:** Operations meeting with staff.

**August 06, 2pm:** Bylaw and Policy Review Committee meeting. Meeting cancelled due to a last-minute issue arising, but voting was conducted via email to consider amendments to the Hiring Policy, Equity Policy, and Society Policy; and the creation of a Bursary Policy (and thus decommissioning of the ISEBC Policy). All motions passed – to be brought to Council on August 18.

**August 09-13:** Off on vacation to visit my mom! Wrote a Pride MEMO for DAL, did some work on DalFest, and stayed up-to-date on student emails and anything urgent.

**University Affairs and Committees**

**July 21, 1pm:** DSU x Student Affairs Office bi-weekly meeting. Discussion with communications team from DAL regarding programming and best methods for reaching students.

**August 04, 1pm:** DSU x Student Affairs Office bi-weekly meeting. Updates on the Ombudsperson hiring timeline and Code of Student Conduct implementation.

**August 05, 1:30pm:** DAL Pride planning meeting. Budget and timeline were too short to develop any of the programming that the DSU had suggested, so DAL Pride will consist of the traditional flag raising & HRES is buying some tickets for HFX Pride events that they will give away to students.

**August 06, 9am:** Meeting with Dalhousie Registrar’s Office to discuss Academic Term Dates, specifically the timing of the Fall Term break.
External and Broader Community

*August 04, 6:30pm:* Touchbase with Dalhousie Undergraduate Engineering Society (DUES) President.

Board of Governors Caucus Updates

N/A

Upcoming Dates

N/A
Report of the Vice President, Internal

Name: Truelee Love

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Internal Affairs and DSU Committees

1. Met with a society on July 28th and August 5th to discuss some concerns and how they can be addressed broadly through policy and the awareness and development of resources. Working on helping societies have strong anti-oppression and safety policy in the future.
2. An executive meeting on July 29th regarding the International Student Issues Policy – discussion and editing of the document.
3. Research and Outreach Meeting on July 29th.
4. Society Review Committee meeting on July 29th.
5. Student Accessibility Fund Committee meeting on August 5th.
6. Sexton Coordinator hiring committee meetings consisting of three interviews on August 6th.

University Affairs and Committees

1. Residence councils’ discussion around constitutions and the best standard form for the councils on August 4th.
2. Student Affairs Bi-weekly meeting on August 4th.

External and Broader Community

1. A quick check in on August 5th regarding Halifax Pride and potential way for Dalhousie to reach out and offer tickets for students to Pride events.
2. Organized and chaired the Bike Centre Annual General Meeting on August 10th in order to elect a new executive who can continue operations and the ratification process for the Bike Centre Society.
**Society Review Committee Updates**

1. The following Societies were approved for ratification:
   - Dalhousie Student Pharmacy Society
   - Dalhousie Undergraduate Engineering Society
   - Dalhousie Dental Student Society
   - Dalhousie International Student Association
   -Nova Scotia Public Interest Research Group
   - South House Sexual and Gender Resource Centre

**Upcoming Dates**

N/A
Report of the Vice President, Finance and Operations

Name: Mohab Brisha

Reporting Period: July 17, 2021 – August 11, 2021

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Internal Affairs and DSU Committees

1. Discussed international students’ issues policy development.
2. Society Review Committee meeting.
3. Working on creating a special audit process for the South African Student Trust (SASEP) to reflect their unique status.
4. Working on updating the audit process to make it more efficient.
5. Conducted a treasurer training session.
6. Helped with Eid care package event.

University Affairs and Committees

1. Code of Student Conduct Review Committee meeting.

External and Broader Community

N/A

Grants and Sponsorship Committee Updates

1. Next meeting scheduled for Sept 20th. No meeting in August.

Upcoming Dates

1. Treasurer training coming up on August 23rd.
Report of the Vice President, Academic and External (Interim)

Name: Aparna Mohan

Reporting Period: July 15, 2021 – August 11, 2021

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Internal Affairs and DSU Committees

1. Anti-Oppression Training with Jake MacIsaac (Dal Security): July 16, 2021
2. Introductory Meeting with Dalhousie Advocacy Services Managers: July 20, 2021
3. Senate Caucus Recommendations: July 21, 2021
4. Equity & Accessibility Office Manager Hiring Support: July 27 – Aug 4, 2021
5. 1on1 meeting with DSU Communications: July 29, 2021
6. DSU Exec Consultation on Int’l Students Issues Policy: July 29 & Aug 4, 2021
7. Survivor Support Center Hiring Support: August 11, 2021
8. Student Senate Caucus Training Curriculum Development with DSU Policy & Governance Coordinator: Ongoing

University Affairs and Committees

1. Sexualized Violence Prevention Resource Group Meeting: July 15, 2021
2. Code of Student Conduct Review Task Force Biweekly Meeting: July 15, 2021
3. Tuition Waiver Student Working Group Meeting: July 15, 2021
4. DSU Exec x Student Affairs Meetings: July 21 & August 4, 2021

External and Broader Community

1. Provincial Election Candidates Virtual Debate Planning July 28 – Aug 10, 2021
   a. Debate was originally planned for August 13 but cancelled due to limited candidate participation.
2. Interview with The Coast on Return to Campus & Social Anxiety: August 6, 2021
3. International Student Issues Policy Development (Outreach): Ongoing

Senate Caucus Updates

1. Filling in remaining voting member vacancies

Upcoming Dates
1. DSU Exec x Student Affairs Meetings: August 18 & September 1
2. ISEBC meeting: August 20, 2021
Report of the Vice President, Student Life

Name: Mazen Brisha

Reporting Period: July 17, 2021 – August 11, 2021

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Internal Affairs and DSU Committees

1. Attended daily O-week planning meetings with the O-week & Events Commissioner.
2. Scheduled Student Life Committee meetings.
3. Developed detailed event descriptions for welcome week and O-week events for the O-week webpage.
4. Worked with the Dalhousie International Students Association (DISA) amongst other societies to plan a colour fest event for Welcome Week.
5. Sent out acceptance letters to O-week leaders detailing key training information.
6. Designed O-week leader training schedule and reached out to speaker for workshop presentation.
7. Coordinated with sponsors to ensure deadlines are met in regards to O-week pack delivery while advising sustainability vigilance in any items sent.
8. Attended all executive committee meetings.
9. Attended weekly O-week planning meetings with the Director of Research and Outreach
10. Worked with Dalhousie to facilitate volunteer training sessions and performed important outreach to caterers and food trucks for the 10th of September welcome back party.
11. Signed Dalfest artists, finalized fees and timings.
12. Finalized a production schedule for Dalfest.

University Affairs and Committees

1. Attended three meetings with the Fall Orientation university committee.
2. Hosted bi-weekly meetings with residence to provide collaboration on student fall orientation.
**External and Broader Community**

1. Attended HealthyMindsNS Committee Meeting.

**Upcoming Dates**

N/A