Report of the President

Name: Madeleine Stinson

Reporting Period: October 28 – November 10, 2021

Council Date: November 15, 2021

Internal Affairs and DSU Committees

- General attendance at Operations, Research & Outreach, and prep meetings.
- Support during VPAE onboarding.
- Coordination with Dalhousie Undergraduate Engineering Society (DUES) to create an agreement for the society to manage several DSU spaces on Sexton Campus.
- Oversight of Giving Tuesday fundraiser preparation.
- Prep for the Move 4 Movember T-Room trivia.

Executive Committee Meetings

November 3: Discussion on hosting an event at the Grawood. DSUSO programming. Decisions on the breakfast at midnight programming and SUB late hours during exam week. Communications planning updates.

Additional Meetings

November 1, 7pm: DSU Council

November 2, 7pm: Meeting with Divest DAL to connect about bringing divestment information forward at the next Board of Governor’s meeting in light of several prominent university boards deciding to divest recently.

November 3, 10:30am: Society ratification meeting with Society & Programming Coordinator, VP Internal, and Policy & Governance Coordinator.

November 3, 6:30pm: Touchbase with DUES president to discuss space agreement and Sexton student needs.

November 4, 12pm: Winter Pride discussion with VP Internal and Director of Research and Outreach.

November 4, 3pm: Sexton Campus office hours.
University Affairs and Committees

- For the Fall 2021 semester, I have a core course conflict with graded attendance, with the Dalhousie Senate meetings and am unable to regularly attend.

November 5, 11:30am: Senate ratifications.

November 9, 10am: Meeting with University President to discuss tuition models and student engagement.

November 9, 11am: Bi-weekly DSU executive and DAL Student Affairs Office meeting. Update on Meningitis B vaccine initiative, senior leadership attendance at events, campus check student compliance, and agricultural campus updates.

November 10, 10am: Meeting with Student Affairs, Student Experience, and DAL Marketing services to discuss consultation on street parties and harm reduction. The DSU is preparing to engage in a consultative student-centered process to better understand how DAL can advocate for harm reduction and encourage safe partying habits in an effective manner.

External and Broader Community

N/A

Board of Governors Caucus Updates

Murray Lyu (Board of Governor’s Representative 1) and Jonathon Frontain (Board of Governor’s Representative 2) have both been nominated to the Board of Governors. The Board HR & Governance Committee will formally vote on their nomination soon, and they are expected to join the Nov 23, 2021 meeting of the Board. Jonathon will sit on the Capital Projects & Facilities Committee and Murray will sit on the Community Affairs Committee.

Upcoming Dates

November 17 – Senate Planning and Governance Committee

November 18 – Alcohol Advisory Committee meeting

November 22 – Dalhousie Senate meeting

November 23 – Dalhousie Board of Governor’s meeting

Announcements

The DSU is hosting its annual Winter Pride week from January 31st - February 5th, 2022. As a part of the week’s events, we’re partnering with the College of Sustainability to host a panel discussion on urban politics, planning, and the queer experience at their weekly ESS Lecture. Panel presentations can include topics ranging from Queer-centric public policy to the need for safe Queer spaces, Queer marginalization in urban areas, and more!
We are looking for students, academics, and community members who are interested in speaking as part of the panel. We will invite each panelist (a total of three) to give a brief presentation, followed by a group question and discussion period. The panel itself will be on Thursday, February 4th, from 7pm-9pm. Each speaker will receive a small honorarium for their contribution.

We would love for you to share this opportunity with your peers and students. If anyone is interested, please have them email dsupres@dal.ca with a short bio and an explanation of their perspective on the topic. Presenter spaces are closed to members of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community.
Report of the Vice President, Internal

Name: Truelee Love

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Internal Affairs and DSU Committees

1. Meetings
   a. Student Accessibility Fund Committee meeting on October 28th
   b. Communications meeting on November 2nd
   c. Research and Outreach meeting on November 4th
2. Winter Pride Programming
   a. Working to plan Winter Pride events with the President and Director of Research and Outreach.
   b. This year we are hoping to hold our second annual winter pride from January 31st – February 4th. We are having a meeting on November 18th with societies and organizers we hope to have partner with us. If there is anyone from your constituencies’ that serve the 2SLGBTQ+ community that would be interested in being involved in Winter Pride email me at dsuvpi@dal.ca.

University Affairs and Committees

1. Residence council update meeting November 8th – Working with Reslife to get all residence councils ratified and connected to their bank accounts, as well as holding elections for Mini Res.
2. Bi-weekly meeting with Student Affairs November 9th

Upcoming Dates

1. Trans Day of Remembrance is this Saturday, November 20th.
Report of the Vice President, Finance and Operations

Name: Mohab Brisha

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Internal Affairs and DSU Committees

1. Finalized audit process for the South African Student Trust.
2. Met with society treasurers to help them solve some problems.
3. Working on treasurer training for residence councils and setting them up for their audits.
4. Started work on some public outreach initiatives.
5. Scheduling meetings for Grants Committee as well as Budget and Finance Committee.
6. Submitted revised budgets for three departments, as part of the budget revision process.

University Affairs and Committees

1. Met with Student Affairs.

External and Broader Community

1. N/A

Grants and Sponsorship Committee Updates

1. Upcoming meeting on Nov 22nd.

Upcoming Dates

1. N/A
Report of the Vice President, Student Life

Name: Mazen Brisha

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Internal Affairs and DSU Committees

1. Conducted mental health consultation via social media to make more intentional alterations to the Mental Health Forum operations.
2. Made recommendations to Dal Health and Wellness based on student feedback.
3. Booked Mental Health Forum location on the 15th and finalised catering.
4. Weekly programming planning meeting with the events commissioner to plan for winter semester events.
5. Worked with Dal Health and Wellness to advertise Movember related events and provide necessary services.
6. Contacted Dal After Dark and residence to collaborate on the coordination of the Move4Movember campaign.
7. Developed a volunteer list for Move4Movember campaign events.
8. Reached out to Dalhousie athletics to book facilities for Move4Movemeber events.
9. Worked with the communication team to develop a social media plan for Move4Movember programming.
10. Worked with the graphics team to design t-shirts for the Move4Movember campaign.
11. Gathered quotes for t-shirts from different suppliers.

University Affairs and Committees

1. Attended meetings with Dal After Dark to coordinate programming efforts.

External and Broader Community

1. Attended HealthyMindsNS Committee Meeting.

Upcoming Dates

1. N/A