Report of the President

Name: Aparna Mohan

Reporting Period: May 19 – June 15, 2022

Council Date: June 20, 2022

Internal Affairs and DSU Committees

a) Governance Review Conversation – May 20, 1 PM – 2 PM
   - Lawyer presented updates and key themes of governance review that has been conducted so far to improve DSU bylaws and policies
b) Executive Photoshoot – May 31, 11 AM – 12 PM
c) Staff Meeting – June 03, 9 AM – 10:30 AM
   - StudentVIP presented and explained the Health & Dental Plan benefits for staff and students
d) Strategic Plan Check-in – June 03, 10:30 AM – 11:00 AM
e) Council Preparation Meeting – June 08, 11 AM – 11:30 AM
f) Meeting with Dalhousie Gazette Editor-In-Chief – June 12, 3:30 PM – 4PM
   - Invited and offered support for EIC to cover Senate and Board of Governors meetings, pitched coverage of DSU archiving project, discussed future of the Gazette and its role on campus, and generally invited coverage to promote DSU accountability

Executive Committee Updates

a) May 20, 11 AM – 12 PM: (Attendance: DSU VPAE Absent with Regrets) Discussed sponsorship proposal for MasQueerade from NS Aids Coalition, community response to Dalhousie capital activity, and feasibility of potential Grawood improvements
b) May 27, 11 AM – 12 PM: (Attendance: All executives present) Received O-Week updates from VPSL, discussed developments within our agreement with Chartwells, and presented roundtable updates on major meetings & ongoing projects.
c) June 3, 11 AM – 12 PM: (Attendance: All executives present) Discussed vacation request protocol, comedy show proposition from Peter Anthony, sponsorship offer from Student Price Card (SPC), DSU referenda signature collection, AGM date finalization (September
28, 2022), developing government-facing advocacy via budget proposal, and DSU website improvements.

d) June 6, 11 AM – 12PM: (Attendance: VPSL Absent with Regrets) Discussed how to utilize SUB Display Case to feature items from DSU archiving project and presented goal updates

e) June 13, 11 AM – 12PM: (Attendance: VPI Absent with Regrets) Discussed need to secure line up and contracts for DalFest, promotion of external donors to the Food Bank, space agreement negotiations with the Loaded Ladle, strengthening relations with Student Affairs through Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) on shared projects, response to latest Chartwells agreement development, & decision to attend Maritime Student Congress

Bylaw & Policy Review Committee Updates

a) Introductory email sent to appointed members and first meeting date is awaiting confirmation

Board of Governor’s Student Caucus Updates

a) Board of Governors Student Representatives have been asked to forward any and all correspondence from external community regarding Dalhousie’s activities to the President.

University Affairs and Committees

a) Convocation Ceremonies (May 24 – June 3)
   o Alternated with other executives to represent the DSU at the 2022 Convocation ceremonies
b) President’s Advisory Committee on Sexualized Violence – May 26
c) DSU Executive x Student Affairs Biweekly Mtg – June 07 (11 AM – 12 PM)
   o Introductory meeting with new Dalhousie Vice Provost Student Affairs, Rick Ezekiel
   o Discussed shared values and priorities surrounding student affairs
d) 1on1 Meeting with Heather Doyle, Student Affairs – June 07
   o Discussed shared response to Dalhousie’s concerns regarding contemporary student partying culture and potential MOUs for Orientation Week and Impact Awards
e) Senate Learning & Teaching Committee (SLTC) Meeting – June 01
f) Dalhousie Archives Tour – June 10 (1 PM – 2 PM)
g) Dalhousie Senate Meeting – June 13 (3 PM – 5 PM)
h) DSU x Dal Mobile – June 14 (2 PM – 2:45 PM)

External and Broader Community

a) Orientation Session for University Student Union Leaders by Department of Advanced Education, May 20, 10:30 AM – 11:45 AM
   a. Briefed by Department of Advanced Education on purpose and function of upcoming Student Government Roundtable meetings
   b. Briefed on the structure and function of the department

Goal Progress

a) Summer 2022 Goal: Build outreach strategy to improve engagement with DSU for implementation in Fall 2022 and Winter 2023
b) Engaging with social media to promote visibility into DSU services, operations and activities. Please follow @aparna.takes.dsupres on Instagram and @AparnaMohan_ on Twitter 😊
c) Have attended and plan to continue attending society events throughout the summer
d) Completing various 1on1 meetings with societies to explore opportunities for collaboration and mutually beneficial support.

Upcoming Dates

a) Government-Student Roundtable – June 16, 1 PM – 3 PM
b) Maritime Student Congress – June 17 – June 19
c) Employment Equity Council Mtg – June 27, 1 PM – 3 PM
d) Dalhousie Board of Governors Mtg – June 28, 3 PM – 6 PM
e) Dalhousie Board of Governors Annual Dinner – June 28, 6 PM – 6:45 PM
Report of the Vice President, Internal

Name: Tammy Maniou

Reporting Period: May 19 - June 15, 2022

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Internal Affairs and DSU Committees

Executive Committee Meeting, May 20, 11 am

a. Took minutes.

b. Discussed potential MasQueerade sponsorship, updates on a VPFO side project, and 1245 Edward Street.

Governance Review Meeting, May 20, 1 pm

a. Met with DSU lawyer to discuss proposal on governance document changes.

b. Shared with lawyer, Policy and Governance Coordinator, and the rest of the exec what the desired outcome of the governance review would be.

DUGS Insurance Meeting, May 24, 11:30 am

a. Met with DUGS Treasurer, Societies and Programming Coordinator, and Director of Operations.

b. Discussed event that led to DUGS looking for insurance options, what said options are, and DUGS lease with the University.

Council Meeting, May 24, 7 pm

a. Voted on committee member appointments.

Meeting with DAGS and DSU reps, May 26, 11 am

a. Met with DAGS President and VPF, full-time staff, Societies and Programming Coordinator, VPFO, and Financial Controller to review current financial situation with incoming DAGS exec.

b. Discussed next steps and timeline.
Executive Committee Meeting, May 27, 11 am
   a. Took minutes.
   b. Discussed O-week updates, Chartwells contract situation, and 1245 Edward Street updates.

Executive Photoshoot, May 31, 11 am
   a. Took photos for website and social media content with the Graphic Designer and Campaigns Coordinator.

Referenda Meeting, June 1, 1 pm
   a. Met with PGC and Societies and Programming Coordinator to discuss all potential referenda that may take place this year.

Strategic Plan Meeting, June 3, 10:30 am
   a. Discussed with exec and Policy and Governance Coordinator what the situation with the current Strategic Plan is and what the options to moving forward are.

Executive Committee Meeting, June 3, 11 am
   a. Took minutes.
   b. Discussed internal admin issues and reminders, MasQueerade, Part-Time Staff, O-week, website updates, potential Government Budget proposal items.

Executive Committee Meeting, June 6, 11 am
   a. Took minutes.
   b. Discussed potential uses for our display case and Records and Archives findings, goal updates.

Website meeting, June 6, 1 pm
   a. Met with Societies and Programming Coordinator to discuss potential updates to the Societies section of the website.

Communications Team Meeting, June 7, 1 pm
   a. Discussed outcomes of meeting with Societies and Programming Coordinator and in what ways the Societies part of the website can be updated, as well as website maintenance issues.
   b. Brought to the table items the rest of the exec highlighted at the June 3rd ECM.
Society Review Committee Updates

a. Set up first SRC meeting for June 16, 4 pm.

Offices Steering Committee Updates

a. No updates, waiting for committee members to be appointed.

Student Accessibility Fund Committee Updates

a. Working to finalize date for June meeting.

University Affairs and Committees

Dalhousie Law Convocation, May 24, 12:30 pm:

a. Represented the DSU at the Convocation.

Accessibility Centre Meeting, May 25, 11 am:

a. Met with Accessibility Centre staff person.

b. Discussed updates on the SAFC, concerns on SAFC meeting outcome communication with students, and support for international students with disabilities.

Meeting with Heather Doyle, Student Affairs, May 25, 1 pm:

a. Follow up meeting from latest Student Affairs meeting.

b. Discussed developments with Together @ Dal and mentorship opportunities for students, updated Heather on VPI goals.

Dalhousie Health Sciences Convocation, May 30, 9 am:

a. Represented the DSU at the Convocation.

Dalhousie Sciences Convocation, June 3, 9 am:

a. Represented the DSU at the Convocation.

DSU exec/Student Affairs Biweekly Meeting, June 7, 11 am:

a. The exec was introduced to the new Vice Provost, Student Affairs.

b. Discussed overall approach to Student Affairs and pertinent issues they will be facing soon, as well as ideas the exec had following Dalhousie’s Convocation.
External and Broader Community

Nothing to report.

Goal Progress

a. Met with Communications Team and Societies and Programming Coordinator to initiate the process of updating the Societies part of the DSU website.

b. Began meeting with societies during office hours to establish relationships and assist with their programming.

Upcoming Dates

Nothing to report.
Report of the Vice President, Finance and Operations

Name: Henry Amin

Reporting Period: May 18 – June 15, 2022

Council Date: June 20, 2022

Internal Affairs and DSU Committees

a. Successfully worked with Societies & Programming Coordinator to conduct the first treasurer training session on May 27 at 1 PM.
b. Responded to emails and offered help and guidance to all societies and members that required assistance that was within my jurisdiction as the VPFO.
c. Attended all weekly Executive Committee Meetings and Bi-weekly Operations staff meetings.
d. Attended Grawood Menu Planning Meeting on June 08 to work on improving the Grawood Menu.
e. Concluded my duties as a student representative for the Spring Convocations.
f. Met with the Director of Operations to discuss the food bank and the farmers market operations and funding processes.
g. Attended Dal Archives Tour with the other execs.
h. Attended Dal Commerce Society event to further connect and socialize with our societies and make them feel more included.

Budget and Finance Committee Updates

a. Working on figuring out how many meetings would be required for this semester before contacting the newly appointed members of this committee.

Grants and Sponsorship Committee Updates

a. GSC has been struck and will be meeting on a monthly basis to award grants.
b. Confirmed potential dates/deadlines for GSC Meetings and applications with all newly assigned members of the committee.
c. GSC Meeting Times for the 2022-23 Summer Semester:
   - June 16 at 2:00 PM
d. Grants and Sponsorships Application Deadlines for the 2022-23 Summer Semester:
   - June 10 at 11:59 PM
   - July 08 at 11:59 PM
   - August 05 at 11:59 PM

e. Committee will meet the first time this year on June 16 at 2:00 PM

International Student Emergency Bursary Committee Updates

a. ISEBC has been struck and will be meeting on a monthly basis to approve applications.
b. Confirmed potential dates/deadlines for the International Student Emergency Bursary Committee Meetings and applications.
c. ISEB Application deadlines for the 2022-23 Summer Semester:
   - June 17 at 11:59 PM
   - July 08 at 11:59 PM
   - July 29 at 11:59 PM
   - August 19 at 11:59 PM

d. ISEBC Meeting dates for the 2022-23 Summer Semester:
   - June 09 at 12:00 PM
   - June 23 at 2:30 PM
   - July 14 at 2:30 PM
   - August 04 at 2:30 PM
   - August 25 at 2:30 PM

e. Committee will meet for the first time this year on June 09 at 12:00 PM.

University Affairs and Committees

a. Attended DSU Executive/Student Affairs Bi-weekly Meeting on June 07.

External and Broader Community

Nothing to report.

Goal Progress

Working with other execs and full-time staff to better structure my goals for the year. My goal for the summer semester is to raise more awareness about the DSU Budget for the general members of the DSU by:
a. Providing detailed guidance and other resources on budget and fiscal transparency that are available.

   - This might include summarizing the budget into infographics and sharing relevant parts on several communications channels, which include social media, the DSU website, and even the dal mobile app.

b. Helping general members by raising their awareness of the various available standards and guidelines.

   - This might be achieved by working with the comms team to plan a marketing strategy to raise more awareness about the budget for general members.

**Upcoming Dates**

a. Transportation and Security Meeting on June 21 at 10 AM  
b. Treasurer Training Session on June 22 at 2 PM  
c. Investment Meeting with Nick Childs on June 23 at 11 AM
Report of the Vice President, Academic and External

Name: Sydney Keyamo

Reporting Period: May 19 – June 15, 2022

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Internal Affairs and DSU Committees

Executive Committee Meeting

a. May 20 – Handled administrative tasks and housekeeping duties.

b. May 27 – Received updates regarding O-Week, Executive Goal Progress, and the Government Budget Proposal. Discussion was mainly focused on the development of Orientation week.

c. May 30 – Discussion focused on Pride Planning and the hosting of MasQueerade.

d. June 03 – Determined the date for the Fall AGM, received updates regarding O-Week and possible Shinerama collaboration. Discussion began on the Government Budget Proposal.

e. June 06 – Continuation of goal updates from the executive team, as well as brainstorming ideas for the display case in the SUB.

f. June 10 – Discussion focused on O-Week/ Dalfest brainstorming. Tabled to bring to next ECM.


Annual General Meeting (AGM) Outreach Brainstorm – May 18

a. Brainstormed dates, outreach strategy and logistics for the Fall AGM.

Executive Photoshoot – May 31

a. Participated in a photoshoot for the DSU Website.

Staff Meeting – June 03


Council Prep Meeting
a. Prepared agenda items and motions for the upcoming meeting of council.

International Student Emergency Bursary Committee – June 08
a. Met with the committee to allocate funds and took meeting minutes.

Research & Outreach Meeting – June 09
a. Discussion of advocacy strategy and updates regarding campaigns and current DSU projects.

University Affairs and Committees
Convocation
a. May 30 – Attended Faculty of Health Ceremony
b. May 31 – Attended Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Ceremony
c. June 01 – Attended Faculty of Engineering Ceremony
d. June 02 – Attended Faculty of Management Ceremony
e. June 03 – Attended Faculty of Science Ceremony

Student Affairs Meeting – June 07
a. The executive team got an Introduction to new Vice Provost Student Affairs and engaged in discussion on orientation week and a convocation debrief.

Ratification Meeting
a. May 20 - Ratified Academic Integrity documents
b. June 03 – Ratified Academic Integrity documents

Senate Learning and Teaching Committee (SLTC) Meeting – June 01
a. Attended an SLTC Meeting, collaborated with DSU President to give a presentation about Student Ratings of Course Content (SRCC) Policy Review.

Dal Archives Tour – June 10
a. Attended a guided tour of the archives to develop a greater understanding of the history of the DSU and the University.

External and Broader Community
Nothing to report.
Senate Caucus Updates

Appointments for Student Senate Caucus are underway, but we haven’t received a substantial number of applications yet. I have been reviewing applications on a consistent basis and have reached out to a few students for further information.

Goal Progress

a. Met with the Ombudsperson to begin developing an aggregated list of Faculty and Department Chairs, as well as a list of all advising centres.
b. Met with Dr. Stevens to discuss the creation of standardized guidebooks and brainstormed resource ideas for students.

Upcoming Dates

a. Government Student Roundtable – June 16
b. Executive Committee Meeting – June 17, June 20, and June 27
c. Student Affairs Meeting – June 21
d. Pan University Meeting – June 21
e. Post-Secondary Education Campaigns Meeting – June 22
f. Research & Outreach Meeting – June 23
g. Council Meeting – July 18
Report of the Vice President, Student Life

Name: Emilia Cordova

Reporting Period: May 19 – June 15, 2022

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Internal Affairs and DSU Committees

Extraordinary DSU Council, May 16th at 19h00:

a. Ratified Council Chair and Secretary
b. I was elected as interim Vice President Student Life

Executive Onboarding, May 17th – May 31st

a. Reviewed the transition report from the 2020 VPSL
b. Submitted executive goals for Summer and Fall 2022, and summer office hours
   (Mondays 12-2pm and Wednesdays/Fridays 9-11am)
c. Completed the “Incoming Executive Officer Transition Checklist”
d. Checked in with the Research & Outreach Director to review O-Week items that were
   already completed

DSU Council, May 24th at 19h00

a. Reviewed applications for committee members from both councillor and general
   members and appointed the most suitable candidates.
b. Voted for amendments to the Bursary Policy.

Executive Committee Meetings 11am-12pm

a. May 27th: Updated executive team with O-Week progress
b. June 3rd
c. June 13th

Executive Photoshoot, May 31st 11am-12pm

DSU Orientation Week Updates

a. DalFest Bands
- Decided with the Events Commissioner and R&O Director which bands/artists we wanted for DalFest and delegated the responsibility of contacting them to the R&O Director.
- Submitted an offer to Haviah Mighty, Good dear good, Zamani, and Karate Kactus
- Secured stage for DalFest

b. Merch
- Events commissioner requested fees for merch from Big Tree Promotions and I from Festival Promotions to compare prices. We decided Big Tree had the most convenient fees for our budget.
- Had a meeting with the president of Big Tree Promotions to discuss the colors and print we wanted for our merch. He sent the final sales order and we approved it.
- Submitted a motion to council for approval of the sales order since it is more than 10K.
- Received finalized O-Week Logo from the Graphic Designer.

c. Programming
- Weekly Orientation Touch-Base on Thursdays with the R&O director and the Events Commissioner.
- Brainstormed ideas of events with the Events Commissioner.
- Drafted a schedule including events addressed to introverted people and extroverted people, as well as international student orientation events.
- Contacted the following people/companies for our events: Just Cycle for a spinning class at the quad, Citadel Ghost Tours, Student Affairs for Induction Ceremony, GLOW for the Beach Carnival and Sunset Foam Party, Rugby Game for closing ceremony.
- Met with Heather Sutherland on June 1st at 11h30 to discuss the Food Trucks Festival as part of O-Week programming. Decided to have them on September 1st and 2nd from 11h00 to 19h00.

d. O-Week Senior Leaders
- Reviewed applications for Senior O-Week Leaders (SOL).
- Interviewed 6 suitable candidates for the Senior O-Week Leader positions, aiming to have 11 SOLs by the end of June.
- Submitted requests for promotion on social media for the (Senior) O-Week leader positions available on our website.

Vacation request from June 6th – June 10th

University Affairs and Committees
Convocations May 24th – June 3rd
a. Attended convocations for Computer Science on May 25th at 9am, Health on May 30th at 4pm, and Engineering on June 1st at 9am.
b. Reinforced our “Reject the fees” campaign by wearing campaign pins on the sash provided as part of our convocation attire.

External and Broader Community
Shinerama meeting, May 27th at 16h30
a. Shinerama representative met with the President and I to discuss the inclusion of a Shinerama campaign as part of Orientation Week
b. Have not received a follow up

Goal Progress
Summer Goal: Create Orientation programming that is inclusive to a wide variety of student experiences like International Students, extroverted/introverted students, and off campus students, while executing harm reduction strategies.
- Drafted an O-Week schedule that has activities for both extroverted and introverted students, e.g., Sunset Foam Party and simultaneously hosting a Ghost Tour at Citadel
- Introduced the event “Canada 101” for International Students where the President and I will give a presentation of the unspoken rules of living in Canada

Upcoming Dates
a. June 16th Fall Semester Planning and finalizing Food Truck Festival programming
b. June 17th Discuss RBC’s sponsorship for O-Week
c. June 22nd Finalizing Sex Talk/Trivia programming
d. June 30th Senior O-Week Leader Training begins