

Dalhousie Student Union - Council Meeting

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CALL TO ORDER at 5:38 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

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| Mitchell Brown | Chair |
| Julia Guk | Recording Secretary (non-voting) |
| Kathleen Reid | President |
| Amina Abawajy | Vice-President (Academic and External) |
| Dylan Ryan | Vice-President (Finance and Operations) |
| Kelsey Keddy | Vice-President (Student Life) |
| Rhiannon Makohoniuk | Vice-President (Internal) |
| Kati George-Jim | BOG Representative |
| Vacant | Agricultural Representative |
| Vacant | Architecture and Planning Representative |
| Vacant | Arts and Social Science Representative |
| Vacant | Arts and Social Science Representative |
| Vacant | Computer Science Representative |
| Vacant | Dentistry Representative |
| Vacant | Graduate Studies Representative |
| Vacant | Engineering Representative |
| Vacant | Health Professions Representative |
| Vacant | Law Representative |
| Vacant | Management Representative |
| Vacant | Commerce Representative |
| Vacant | Medicine Representative |
| Vacant | Science Representative |
| Vacant | Aboriginal Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | Black Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | International Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | Students with Disabilities Representative |
| Vacant | Women's Community Representative |
| Vacant | Residence Representative |

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

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| Anthony Sakaili | BOG Representative |
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COUNCILLORS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2016-05-25: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Keddy **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-05-25: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to add appointments under council appointments.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Makohoniuk

MOTION 2016-05-25: A02: CARRIED

MOTION 2016-05-25: A01 CARRIED

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2016-05-25: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the April 20, 2016 Council meeting be accepted.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2016-05-25: M01 CARRIED

5. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

6. APPOINTMENTS

A. Council Members

i. Faculty of Agriculture

MOTION 2016-05-25: C01

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Cassie Martel be ratified as the Representative for the Faculty of Agriculture for 2016-17 upon receipt of a signed copy of the Oath of Office and documentation of the appointment.

Moved: Makohoniuk **Seconded:** Keddy

MOTION 2016-05-25: C01 CARRIED

ii. Faculty of Computer Science

MOTION 2016-05-25: C02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Emma Sylvester be ratified as the Representative for the Faculty of Computer Science for 2016-17 upon receipt of a signed copy of the Oath of Office and documentation of the appointment.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-05-25: C02 CARRIED

iii. Faculty of Dentistry

MOTION 2016-05-25: C03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ivit Yakub be ratified as the Representative for the Faculty of Dentistry for 2016-17 upon receipt of a signed copy of the Oath of Office and documentation of the appointment.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-05-25: C03 CARRIED

iv. Faculty of Law

MOTION 2016-05-25: C04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Michael Coady be ratified as the Representative for the Faculty of Law for 2016-17 upon receipt of a signed copy of the Oath of Office and documentation of the appointment.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-05-25: C04 CARRIED

v. Faculty of Management

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MOTION 2016-05-25: C05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Mackenzie Goodwin be ratified as the Representative for the Faculty of Management for 2016-17 upon receipt of a signed copy of the Oath of Office and documentation of the appointment.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Makohoniuk

MOTION 2016-05-25: C05 CARRIED

vi. Faculty of Medicine

MOTION 2016-05-25: C06

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Mary Purcell be ratified as the Representative for the Faculty of Medicine for 2016-17 upon receipt of a signed copy of the Oath of Office and documentation of the appointment.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Makohoniuk

MOTION 2016-05-25: C06 CARRIED

vii. Faculty of Science

MOTION 2016-05-25: C07

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Sean Bowman be ratified as the Representative for the Faculty of Science for 2016-17 upon receipt of a signed copy of the Oath of Office and documentation of the appointment.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-05-25: C07 CARRIED

viii. Aboriginal Students

MOTION 2016-05-25: C08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Aaron Prosper be ratified as the Representative for the Aboriginal Students for 2016-17 upon receipt of a signed copy of the Oath of Office and documentation of the appointment.

Moved: Keddy **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-05-25: C08 CARRIED

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ix. Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, and Queer Students

MOTION 2016-05-25: C09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Bart Soroka be ratified as the Representative for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, and Queer Students for 2016-17 upon receipt of a signed copy of the Oath of Office and documentation of the appointment.

Moved: Makohoniuk **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-05-25: C09 CARRIED

x. Arts and Social Science

MOTION 2016-05-25: C10

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Alex Hughes be ratified as the Representative for the Faculty of Arts and Social Science for 2016-17 upon receipt of a signed copy of the Oath of Office and documentation of the appointment.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-05-25: C10 CARRIED

ix. Women Students

MOTION 2016-05-25: C11

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kati Douglas be ratified as the Representative for Women Students for 2016-17 upon receipt of a signed copy of the Oath of Office and documentation of the appointment.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-05-25: C11 CARRIED

7. PRESENTATIONS

A. Chair's Report

Reminder that next council meeting will include photos. Brown will be preparing a package for council with bylaws, etc.

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A. Board of Governors Caucus

Reid said there has been no Board of Governors meeting yet, but it will be coming up.

B. Senate Caucus

Abawajy said that certain faculties have selected senators. Reid said that the new composition of senate still has to go through the Board of Governors.

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

MOTION 2016-05-25: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we table appointments to the Elections, Elections Appeal, Executive Review, External, and Student Life Committees.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Makohoniuk

MOTION 2016-05-25: N01 CARRIED

A. Council Appointments

i. Budget and Finance Committee

Nominees:

Mackenzie Goodwin (Councillor)

Chris Abraham (Non-Councillor)

Candidates Elected: Mackenzie Goodwin, Chris Abraham

MOTION 2016-05-25: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Mackenzie Goodwin be appointed to the Budget and Finance Committee for the 2016-17 term as a council member.

Moved: Makohoniuk **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-05-25: N02 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-05-25: N03

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Chris Abraham be appointed to the Budget and Finance Committee for the 2016-17 term as a non-council member.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2016-05-25: N03 CARRIED

ii. Bylaw and Policy Committee

Nominees:

Katie Douglas

Bart Soroka

Candidates Elected: Kati Douglas, Bart Soroka

MOTION 2016-05-25: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kati Douglas and Bart Soroka be appointed to the Bylaw and Policy Committee for the 2016-17 term.

Moved: George-Jlm **Seconded:** Keddy

vi. Grant and Sponsorship Committee

Nominees:

Kati George-Jim (Councillor)

Chris Abraham (Non-Councillor)

Candidates Elected: Kati George-Jim, Chris Abraham

MOTION 2016-05-25: N05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Katie be appointed to the Grant and Sponsorship Committee for the 2016-17 term as a council member.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Keddy

MOTION 2016-05-25: N05 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-05-25: N06 CARRIED

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Chris Abraham be appointed to the Grant and Sponsorship Committee for the 2016-17 term as a non-council member.

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Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Makohoniuk

MOTION 2016-05-25: N06 CARRIED

viii. Society Review Committee

Nominees:

Alex Hughes (Councillor)

Chris Abraham (Non-Councillor)

Candidates Elected: Alex Hughes, Chris Abraham

MOTION 2016-05-25: N07

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Alex Hughes be appointed to the Society Review Committee for the 2016-17 term as a council member.

Moved: Makohoniuk **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-05-25: N07 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-05-25: N08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Alex Hughes be appointed to the Society Review Committee for the 2016-17 term.

Moved: Keddy **Seconded:** Purcell

11. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Reid gave an overview of her written report to Council.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Makohoniuk gave an overview of her written report to Council.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Ryan gave an overview of his written report to Council.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

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Abawajy gave an overview of her written report to Council.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Keddy gave an overview of her written report to Council.

12. NOTICES OF MOTION

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14. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2016-05-25: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Keddy

MOTION 2016-05-25: A02 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:08 PM

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

May 1st, 2016 to May 22nd, 2016

INTERNAL

Commissioner agreements & staff contracts:

- Drafting contracts that hadn't been done/ had been lost, so that folks can get paid.
- Working to ensure that current commissioners have signed agreements in place.

Ethical investment initiation:

- Met with DSU Investment Manager to begin divestment of companies as voted by Council in April.
- Also worked to establish some guidelines for Ethical Investment Policy that is to come before Council by the end of September.

Community Kitchen:

Working with the Exec and others to establish use/budget/vibes of the new community kitchen. If folks have opinions/concerns/questions please reach out.

OPERATIONS

Food in the SUB:

- Have begun examining our future food options for the DSU.
- Working to establish goals/purpose for FAB.
- Looking into potential of Food Coordinator - as well as potential purpose of this role.
- Councillors should expect to see food plans come before Council in the coming summer months. It's very important that Councillors become educated on these food options and the benefits/costs of each.

DSU Market

-The Summer Jobs Grant was approved so the Market will have an employee for a good part of the summer working to build a plan for the future of the Market. Working to ensure growth is supported and space will be available.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Dalhousie Health & Wellness:

Working with University to fill programming in Wellness Room. Trying to build an idea of contributions of other groups and the budget/support that we'll need to provide to see success in the wellness room.

Dalhousie Security and Transportation Committee:

Parking prices are set to go up again by over 6% for all types of parking pass. If anyone has any questions/comments/concerns that they'd like me to bring forward to the Committee please reach out.

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

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International Emergency Bursary Program:

Working with the University to establish policy to begin dispersing the money that's been held for the Emergency Bursary Program. If anyone would like to have input on this, or to review the draft policy please reach out to me.

SERVICES

International Health Plan:

-Working with the University to establish an MOU for the provision of the International Health Plan. Working with our insurance provider to review plan options and expand coverage.

CUQSC:

-Working with CUQSC organizers to review budgets and ensure proper payment for bursaries and presenters.

PROGRAMMING & EVENTS

Orientation Week

-Worked with the VPSL to establish a budget for Orientation Week that reflects the actuals of last year while trying to keep the cost to students to a minimum.

-Joined O-Week Committee!!

**President
Kathleen Reid
REPORT TO COUNCIL**

May 1st, 2016 to May 22nd, 2016

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INTERNAL

Transition

- Assisted in transitioning the new Executive into their new roles (Led by the Policy Research Coordinator and the General Manager)
- Programmed and facilitated the executive transition retreat for a weekend in Falls Lake NS. The purpose of the retreat was to create our yearlong goals, get to know one another, and talk through current issues.

Communication

- Working with the VPI on new Website initiatives, and clean up to figure out how best to communicate with our members. As well as looking at the possibility of eliminating Tiger Society.

Staff Exec Retreat

- Collaborating with the General Manager to plan and execute a retreat for the Staff and Executive. This would give the executive a chance to present their goals to the staff, and connect on what to expect this year.

Equity and Accessibility office

EXTERNAL

CUQSC

- The DSU hosted the Canadian University Queer Services Conference. Organized by outgoing VP Academic & External, CUQSC coordinator, and many volunteers and partners. CUQSC was a national conference to bring together queer and trans students and organizations to meet, discuss, and strategize ways to challenge all forms of oppression, build skills and relationships, and learn best practices in student organizations.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

University Senate

- We have only attended one senate meeting since taking office. Ensuring that all newly formed senate seats are filled fairly and using best practices so they can join in September.
- Had my first SPGC meeting

Convocation

- VP Finance and Operations and I Attended Dalhousie Agricultural Campus for Convocation as the student representatives on the platform party. This was show our support, and further the connection between our campuses.

**President
Kathleen Reid
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- Throughout May and June the executive have divided up all of the convocations so there will always be a student representative in the platform party.

Student Services Meet Ups

- Met with student services to meet new executive and work on collaborating issues.

OPERATIONS

Renovations

- Stage 3 of renovations is well under way and we have been informed that we are still on track to have the project completed by September 1st.
- The new information center is up and running. There is a spot that societies can book for ticket sales, events, ect.
- New Loading bay at the rear of the SUB is online. There is greater capacity for simultaneous Loading. Please note that loading for all deliveries will commence from the back of the building Commencing June 1, 2016
- New Front Vestibule has come online with final installation scheduled for May 25th

Grawood

- The Grawood is closed for renovations this summer.
- ** As the construction of the Grawood and the new Kitchen are continuing, there may be both noise and space interruption in the lower level spaces as plumbing and electrical services are added. We will do our best to keep all affected parties apprised.
- Collaborating with the Grawood Manager, Communications Manager, and Grawood staff look at the branding, and vibes that the new Grawood will give off.

ADVOCACY

International Student Health Plan

- Working to create an MOU with the university on the International Student Health plan. This MOU aims to ensure the best service and price for international students, while working through our health plan office.

SERVICES

DSU Phone Line

- Because of resource capacity the phone line is paused for service over the summer.
- We are awaiting the results of the External Review that has been requested by the committee and the University. Once the review is out we can begin looking at next steps for the project.

**President
Kathleen Reid
REPORT TO COUNCIL**

May 1st, 2016 to May 22nd, 2016

Office of the Ombudsperson

- Moving forward with VP Provost Student Affairs to ensure that the ombudsperson is full functioning and ready to begin in September.
- Looking to start the hiring process within the next month.
- Looking at the reporting structure and committee structure

DSU Equity and Accessibility office

- Looking to start the hiring process for new E&A staff people.
- Meeting with current staff to see how we can better allocate staff members time and resources to allow the reach of the office to go further.

Vice President (Student Life)

Kelsey Keddy

Council Report – For Council meeting May 25, 2015

Sunday May 1, 2016 to Sunday May 22, 2016

Internal

Handbook

- Working with DSU Graphic designer to source content and sponsor to ensure that the handbook is ready to go for printing mid to end June.

Sponsorship

- Working with sponsorship coordinators for both handbook and Orientation to ensure successful acquisition of sponsors.

Communications

- Roorientation Website it now fully updated and ready to go. This site houses information about the DSU O-Week, events, partnership with shinerama, and information about sponsors.

University Relations

Wellness Room

- Created suggested use and programming schedule for the wellness room. Partnering with Health Services on Funding initiatives to supply the space with furniture and yoga mats. Currently building content for actual fall programming with Student Health Promotion, Dal Health Services, Dal After Dark, DMCRT)

Orientation Registration

- Registration is now live and has been amalgamated into one registration site that is designed to help students register for all orientation programs to meet their needs. (Able@Dal, Summer O, etc)

Society Carnival

- Date has been tentatively set for September 21, 2016. Working with VPI, Rhiannon, and DSU Member Services Co-ordinator, Holly, and CLDC (Center for Leadership and Career Development) to brain storm theme, goals and create vision for the event.

Advocacy

Alcohol Harm Reduction Subcommittee

- Working to help implement E-Chug software for student access and including alcohol harm reduction initiatives in Orientation Programming.
- Building content for the second adaptation of the first year modules.

Consent and Sexualized Violence Subcommittee

- Designing a tool kit for events planning for the use of administration, DSU and societies. This tool kit will focus on inclusivity, acceptance, diversity, and accessibility.
- Building content for the second adaptation of the first year modules.

Programming & Events

Orientation Week

- Dates has been extended this year to include the first week of classes. O-Week will run September 3rd-9th, 2016. Training for leaders will take place through the 3 day prior to O-Week. The decision to extend O-Week was brought to committee with the interest of providing more space for societies to host events throughout O-Week, to allow for evening programming to reduce alcohol harms, and to better orient student after their first classes.
- Registration is live, as is the roorientation website
- The bursary program will continue this year with the goal of supplying 150 students with financial aid. Some bursaries are fully funded while others are partial.
- Programming Coordinator has been hired and has begun work planning programming and working with committee.
- O-Week staff and the committee will be going on a Retreat this weekend where the majority of the events will be decided upon.

Dalfest

- Currently negotiating contracts for headliners and supporting acts. Dates have been set as September 16th-17th. Deciding on theme and décor is next on this list for this event.

Athletics and Receptions

Orientation

- Working to get athletics more involved in O-Week including continuing the partnership for Dallympics and Rugby game as well as brainstorming new ideas.

Vice President Academic & External REPORT TO COUNCIL

May 1st, 2016 to May 25th, 2016

INTERNAL

Executive Transition happened April 25nd – May 1st.

- Incoming and outgoing executive sessions
 - Office Orientation
 - Member Services
 - Alcohol policy
 - Renovations
 - Current issues in PSE in NS and Canada
 - Finances
 - Governance
 - Current issues in University Relations
 - Campaigns and Advocacy
 - Food Services

- Incoming executive sessions
 - Anti-O Workshop
 - DFA Meeting
 - Outreach
 - Media Training
 - Workshop on Self Care
 - Human resources
 - Equity and Accessibility

- Executive retreat to Fall's Lake

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Senate

- April 25, 2016 (observing)
 - Introduction of Black Faculty and Staff Caucus
 - Dentistry Update on the Taskforce Recommendations
 - Equity and Diversity Presentation – Faculty of Computer Science

- May 9, 2016
 - Faculty of Agriculture: Restructure of Two Departments
 - Revised Student Ratings of Instruction Policy and Procedures

- Committee Meetings
 - May 2, 2016 Student Academic Programs and Research Committee
 - May 16, 2016 Student Academic Programs and Research Committee

Vice President Academic & External REPORT TO COUNCIL

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Other

- Grand Opening – Maceachen Institute
- Sexual Harassment and Assault Resource Group Social
- Meeting with Bob Mann, Discipline & Appeals

ADVOCACY

CUQSC

- Attended Canadian University Queer Services Conference May 12 – May 15, 2016. Great opportunity to meet other LGBTQ campus organizers across the country.

Sexual Violence Legislation

- Dalhousie Student Union hosted a town hall in partnership with the Canadian Federation of Students. Jamie Baillie, from the Progressive Conservative Party, was present to speak to the private members bill, Bill 164, which was recently introduced. The meeting ended with brainstorming ways we can continue outreaching to students and sharing the importance of consent culture on campus. We are planning an action-planning meeting – please reach out to me if you would like to be involved!

SERVICES

DSAS

- Contracts

UPCOMING

- Municipal Election organizing
- Attending convocations in DSU capacity

Vice President (Internal)

Rhiannon Makohoniuk

Report to Council

Monday, April 25th to Sunday, May 22nd

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INTERNAL

- **Transition**
 - Spent two weeks learning from and working with outgoing VPI Kaitlyne to get acclimated to the role.
 - Set up my new office, got familiar with office staff and processes.
 - Worked with the executive team to build rapport with each other and outline some shared and individual goals for the next year.
- **Ratifications**
 - Ratifications have started.
 - Some type 2 and 3 societies have been ratified (based on applications and having all the necessary information/ added documents per society policy.
 - Type 1 societies to be processed through the Society Review Committee after the committee is struck at council.

OPERATIONS

- **Website**
 - Working to create a process for editing the website, and making sure the content is up to date and relevant to students.
 - Visioning among staff and executive what the website should look like, feel like, and what it should include.
- **Tiger Society**
 - Connecting with another organization that has a Tiger Society-like platform, and looking in to alternative options for hosting a society administration platform.
 - Looking forward to connecting with the Society Review Committee around this.
- **DSU App**
 - Working on how the App can be maximized and more used by students over the next year, and how the App can best serve the needs of students.
 - Spoke with people from the App company about metrics from the past year and how many students used the App, how they perceived the App and recommended it, and more!

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

- Dinner at Florizone's house with outgoing, incoming executives, as well as his senior team of admins.
- Met with student life/ wellness/ Dalhousie community staff at a meet and greet to get familiar and connect with various aspects of the university.
- Met with the Student Affairs team on multiple occasions to stay in touch, and build connections for collaborations.
- Attended University Classroom Planning Committee (will meet monthly)
- Met with new ED of Student Life to have preliminary conversations on what we can connect about this year and work together on.

SERVICES

- **Phone Line**
 - Last day of the Phone Line was April 25th.
 - Have a meeting with the committee May 26th (proposed) to discuss plans for the summer and setting up the phone line for September.
- **Market**
 - The DSU got a summer job grant to continue running the Food Box program over the summer.
 - Looking at expanding the Market over the next year and creating some new roles within the Market.

PROGRAMMING AND EVENTS

- **Society Fair/ Expo**
 - Started some initial planning for the society and volunteer expo for September. Very initial but waiting to hear back from Facilities Management about the proposed date and then meeting with stakeholders like CLDC on an ongoing basis moving forward.
- **CUQSC – Canadian University Queer Services Conference**
 - The Dalhousie Student Union hosted a national conference for Queer and Trans students/ student groups/ student services.
 - There was around 130~ attendees, about 30-40 volunteers and many workshops!
 - Went very well and a big thank you to Tameera – the primary organizer, John the former VP AE and DSU Staff Members for doing a ton of work in preparation and the day(s) of the conference.
 - Co-facilitated an Anti-Oppression workshop, and facilitated/ created a workshop on Transmisogyny, and how to combat it on campus and in our communities.

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COUNCILLORS PRESENT

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**PRESIDENT
KATHLEEN REID
REPORT TO COUNCIL**

May 22nd, 2016 to June 19th, 2016

Contact at:

president@dsu.ca

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INTERNAL

Staff/Exec Retreat

- Collaborating with the General Manager to plan and execute a retreat for the Staff and Executive. This would give the executive a chance to present their goals to the staff, and connect on what to expect this year.

Equity & Accessibility Office

- Currently working on a restructure of our Equity and Accessibility office as we approach the hiring of a new coordinator.
- Moving forward we hope to better serve students in collaboration with the other services on campus, and identify the gaps in service that currently exist.

EXTERNAL

Partnerships

- Looking at potential partnerships with Car Share companies to ensure sustainable transportation for students, that is accessible and financially sensible.

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- Senate is now on hiatus until September, as are committees.
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PRESIDENT KATHLEEN REID REPORT TO COUNCIL

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- Continuing work with VPFO (Dylan) and DSU General Manager (Craig) to create an MOU with the university on the International Student Health plan. This MOU aims to ensure the best service and price for international students, while working through our health plan office.

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- Sitting on the University Pride Week Planning Committee w/ VPSL (Kelsey) and VPI (Rhiannon).
- The DSU has taken on the organization and planning of the opening ceremonies, and a panel/ town hall style event.
- Please let me know if you are interested in getting involved.

SERVICES

DSU Phone Line

- Because of resource capacity the phone line is paused for service over the summer.
- We have recently received the results of the External Review that has been requested by the DSU Phone line Committee and the University. We can now begin looking at next steps for the project, and the possibilities of further collaboration with the University.

Office of the Ombudsperson

- Moving forward with VP Provost Student Affairs to ensure that the ombudsperson is full functioning and ready to begin in September.
- The position is officially posted and will stay open for three weeks.
- Once the hiring committee is constructed we will begin to meet and start the hiring process. The hiring committee is even between students and administration.

OTHER

DASA

- Connecting with the new Dalhousie Agricultural Students Association to begin collaboration on support and what kind of relationship we would like to foster moving forward.



VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC & EXTERNAL

Report to DSU Council for Wednesday June 22nd, 2016

Amina Abawajy – vpae@dsu.ca

GENERAL

- Attended convocation ceremonies for the Faculty of Architecture and Planning, the Faculty of Computer Science, the Faculty of Science, and the Faculty of Management as part of the Platform Party.

INTERNAL

- Bi-weekly executive meetings
- Weekly staff meetings
- Met with DAGS to discuss support for graduate students and the grad house as well as their prospective membership with the Canadian Federation of Students
- Met with MSA and Imam Zia to discuss Friday Prayer space
- Met with Pat, Director Facility Operations, to discuss technology usage and needs
- Met with Scott, The Market's Director, to discuss the operations of The Market
- Met with the DSAS Executive Director
- Met with Sarah, our Communications and Outreach Manager, to discuss expansion of student issues matter campaign
- Met with members of Divest Dal to discuss what's upcoming for the year.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Senate

Meetings

- Senate Meeting – May 23, 2016
- Senate Meeting – June 13, 2016
 - Modified Centre for Foreign Policy Studies' name to Centre for the Study of Security and Development
 - Revised faculty discipline process
 - Update on report recommendations (appendix A)



VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC & EXTERNAL

- Senate Learning and Teaching Committee – June 2, 2016
- Senate Planning and Governance Committee – June 15, 2016

Student Caucus

- All faculty level societies have been contacted. Most student senators have been elected. A few societies will be holding elections in September. All equity/community groups have been contacted except for Black community and Disability community, as there is currently no representative society – will be reaching out to members of these communities to see how best to move forward.

Other

- Ratification of AIOs meeting with Bob Mann and Katherine Harman June 2, 2016

ADVOCACY

- Attended the Canadian Federation of Students Bi-Annual General Meeting, with Rhiannon, from June 5, 2016 to June 9, 2016. There was a motion passed to have a National Day of Action on November 2nd, 2016.
- Second action planning meeting on sexualized violence
- Sexual Harassment and Assault Resource Group meeting

SERVICES

- The DSAS Executive Director position had to be reduced to part time for the summer to accommodate her full time job. Hired an Assistant Summer Director to assist with the case load and recruit, manage, and train volunteers.

PROGRAMMING & EVENTS

- O-week committee
 - Cultural society expo sub-committee
 - Inclusion sub-committee

OPERATIONS



VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC & EXTERNAL

- Working with Dylan, VP Finance and Operations, and Craig, General Manager, to look at how to increase accountability of DSU office staff.

UPCOMING

- Municipal elections planning meeting and National Day of Action Planning meeting July 10
- Third sexualized violence action planning meeting – tentatively June 30th (confirmed date will be posted on Facebook)

Vice President (Internal)

Report to Council

May 23rd – June 19th

Contact:

Office: SUB 283

vpi@dsu.ca

(902) 494 – 1276

INTERNAL

- Societies
 - Ratification is ongoing for general interest and constituent societies.
 - The Society Review Committee took a little longer to get into motion for various reasons, but we are meeting this week and I hope to process all the backlogged levy and faculty level societies.
 - Meeting with different societies and members on a regular basis to address issues they are facing with ratification, turnover, looking for space, and other society based issues or concerns.
- Staff Training
 - Planning for part time staff training is underway and we have had a couple meetings so far to envision what staff training could/ will entail.
- Softball!
 - The DSU has a softball team in the lunchtime intramural league and we have been having a blast so far!

OPERATIONS

- App
 - The App is a wonderful aspect of communications within the Union. Looking for ways to engage students in the App, and get more students using it. It has many great features for societies, such as joining a group within the app, sending out push notifications to group members on the app, and more!
- Website
 - We are working to set up a review of our website to engage with students and find out what people like about the website, what people use the website for and what students need from our Website. If you have any tips please drop me a line!
- Tiger Society
 - We are finally at a point where this long outdated and unloved service will be put to rest. We are currently working to put Tiger Societies' functions on our website and hope to get rid of Tiger Society this summer. It's no secret that students have not been pleased with Tiger Society as a platform so this is a big step forward that I am thrilled to be working on!

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

- Convocations!
 - Sat through three convocations in the academic procession (and getting my B.SW!☺)

SERVICES

- Phone line
 - The committee has met a couple times and will meet again this week. As per our agreement with Dalhousie, there was an external review conducted on the phone line, which went well! Next steps are securing funding for the phone line.

PROGRAMMING AND EVENTS

- Working on PRIDE related things with other offices of Dalhousie.
 - I will be working to put together a panel that displays LGBTQ members of the Dalhousie community (students, staff & faculty). If you would like to get involved with planning or coordinating this event, let me know!
 - Also will be working with Dal Security to implement a more politically based LGBTQ campaign during Pride. This may be a petition signing, letter writing, postcard signing, etc. Again, if you have ideas for what this could/ should be or want to get involved please contact me!
- Society and Volunteer Expo
 - We have a date set for the Expo! It will be Wednesday, September 21st. Working with the CLDC to start to plan this event. If you would like to get involved, please reach out!
 - Also looking to start mapping out the Sexton Society Fair dates over the next few weeks, and hammering out a January Society and Volunteer Fair.

Vice President (Student Life)

Kelsey Keddy

vpstudentlife@dsu.ca
SUB 280

Council Report – For Council meeting June 22, 2015
Monday, May 23rd, 2016 to Sunday June 19th, 2016

Internal

Handbook

- Assisting to ensure the last of the sponsorship agreements are fulfilled and reviewing contracts
- Liaising with university to ensure the inclusion of dates into the handbook

Sponsorship

- Working with sponsorship coordinator for Orientation Week to ensure successful acquisition of sponsors, as well as drawing up contracts, and identifying pack materials

Communications

- Working to increase the efficiency of the App through the addition of a keyword search to the map
- Collaboratively working to upgrade website content and redesign home page and site map to ensure more streamlined content and ease of use

Grawood

- Developing and mapping out programming for the upcoming term featuring some old favourites such as Trivia, Dal's Got Talent and Open Mic, as well as looking into to some new offerings
- Providing feedback and suggestions for the new branding of the campus bar
- Working with Dylan Ryan, VPFP, and Greg Wright, Director Licensed Operations, to introduce dedicated society nights in the Grawood/T-Room

University Relations

Wellness Room

- Continuing to partner with many university departments to complete the fall programming schedule for the wellness room. The September schedule will be included in the Orientation week kits

Society Carnival

- Date has been tentatively set for September 21, 2016. Working with VPI, Rhiannon, and DSU Member Services Co-ordinator, Holly, and CLDC (Center for Leadership and Career Development) to brain storm theme, goals and create vision for the event

Community Day

- Sitting on the planning of Community Day which will feature new options for volunteerism, as well as be open for all students

Alcohol Advisory Committee

- Developing feedback and review for the draft revisions to the alcohol policy.
- Meeting with key stake holders to receive some of their feedback. If you are interested in discussing the policy, please email at the contact information included above

Communications Committee

- Helping to create timelines for student contact that will minimize the number of emails new student receive and ensure that the content is relevant and organized
- Writing blog entries for the "Dear First Year Me" Blog surrounding the transition to university and expectations from a social perspective

Advocacy

First Year Modules

- Assisting to develop and adapt content for first year student surrounding consent, sexualized violence, alcohol, wellness, community and inclusion
- Helping to develop an incentivized approach to increase participation

Pride at Dal Planning Committee

- Working to plan an opening ceremonies for Pride at Dal to features speakers, poetry, music, and cake
- Helping to plan a letter/post card writing campaign to take place during pride

Programming & Events

Orientation Week

- Dates: September 3rd-9th, 2016. Training for leaders will take place through the 3 day prior to O-Week.
- A very successful retreat was held for all committee members where a schedule was created, as well as discussion surround goals, concerns, and opportunities for betterment
- Partnership with the International Center to provide a picnic style BBQ to students before closing ceremonies and to grant access to the final event to all international

students who attend the BBQ. Incentivized teambuilding/ friendship making games are in the works

- The bursary program will continue this year with the goal of supplying 150 students with financial aid. Some bursaries are fully funded while others are partial. The sponsorship coordinator has been working with sponsors to specifically allocate a portion of sponsorship to this fund.
- Orientation committee continues to meet weekly and subcommittee have begun to meet as well

Dalfest

- Further negotiations for talent and performing acts and contracts. Dates have been set as September 16th-17th
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Athletics and Receptions

Orientation

- Inclusion of Athletics and Varsity in Dalympics event, as well as the Rugby game
- New addition of an intramural sampler is schedule as an evening activity

Handbook

- Dates of varsity home games have been included in the handbook

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INTERNAL

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1.1 Retention Committee

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- The main issues the DSU brought forward were:
 - The need to repeal Regulation #67 (Legislations that prevents those on social assistance from getting further student assistance)
 - The 2016 tuition reset at Dal, and the de-regulation of fees for specific groups of students (International Students, Graduate Students, Professional Programs, and Out-of-Province Students)
 - The Memorandum of Understanding between the provincial government and NS Universities, and the lack of accountability it holds on both sides.
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June 22nd, 2016 to July 17th, 2016

- The DSU has taken on the organization and planning of the opening ceremonies, and a panel/ town hall style event.

SERVICES

DSU Phone Line

- Because of resource capacity the phone line is paused for service over the summer.
- We have recently received the results of the External Review that has been requested by the DSU Phone line Committee and the University. We can now begin looking at next steps for the project, and the possibilities of further collaboration with the University.
- If you are interested in supporting the DSU in making this project continue, please reach out to Rhiannon (at vpi@dsu.ca) We will need student support!

Office of the Ombudsperson

- Moving forward with VP Provost Student Affairs to ensure that the ombudsperson is full functioning and ready to begin in September.
- The hiring committee has been struck and we will be holding interviews in early August.

OTHER

Policy and Research Hiring

- Our Policy and Research Manager has moved onto a new job, so we are currently working to look over the job description and then hold a hiring process for this full time staff position.



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Report to DSU Council for Wednesday July 20th, 2016

Amina Abawajy – vpae@dsu.ca

GENERAL

- Met with University of Prince Edward Island Student Union

INTERNAL

- Executive meetings twice a week
- DSU Elections Meeting
- Market Meeting
- Campaigns Meeting
- Volunteer Meeting
- Staff/Executive Retreat

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Senate

- N/A

Other

- Ratification meeting June 20, 2016
- Ratification meeting July 7, 2016
- Annual joint AIO and SDC Committee
- Biweekly Student Services Meeting

ADVOCACY

- Attended the release of the Transition Task Force Report that was commissioned by the Labour and Advanced Education/Education and Early Childhood Development. The task force was



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struck in January and is meant to speak to the transition from high school into post secondary education and into the workforce. Spoke to media present but did not see any media hits.

- Membership Advisory on the Memorandum of Understanding (attached)
- Met with NDP to discuss our priorities for the upcoming year
- Sexualized Violence on Campus - Action Planning Meeting 3
- Campaigns Summer Camp - Municipal Election and National Day of Action
- Statement of solidarity with Pride and LGBTQ+ folks at large around the de-politicization and re-politicization of Pride and the current climate on campus
- Represented Dalhousie students at a Government Round Table with Kathleen. Spoke about our priorities in making quality post secondary education accessible to all, the need to model Ontario's current grants system as a stepping stone, how the tuition reset affected our students, the continued deregulation of fees for international students, graduate students, and professional students, repealing Regulation 36 that says if your on social assistance you cannot receive student assistance, and addressing sexualized violence on campus through legislation.

SERVICES

DSAS

- Conducted interviews with Executive Director for the positions of: Education and Outreach Coordinator (formerly External Director), Case Management Coordinator (formerly Internal Director), and Policy Coordinator (new position).

Phone Line

- Working with Phone Line Steering Committee to sustain phone line

PROGRAMMING & EVENTS

O-week

OPERATIONS

Grawood



- Branding meeting - have come to a consensus about the new branding of the Grawood including logo and tagline

UPCOMING

- CFS is hosting a Pride Material Making Party July 21 at 5:30pm
- Municipal elections committee

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

June 20, 2016 – July 18, 2016

INTERNAL

Staff/Executive Retreat:

-Took part in our very exciting staff/executive retreat in Grand Pre. Lots of great brainstorming and energizing planning was had.

Part Time Staff:

-Working on the new and improved Part Time Staff Training Day with some of the Executive and staff. Excited to bring forward a more expansive DSU integration and training so our student employees are best prepared to serve our members.

Renovations:

-Had more meetings regarding renos. Mainly focused on scheduling at this point as our focus on the time crunch (pre-September) begins to loom. Things remain on track to finish as close to September 1 as humanly possible, with a small chance that our new Atrium may not be turned over until the first week of September.

Lots of change orders/directives are being processed as quickly as possible to not impede the continuation of work.

OPERATIONS

Cold beverage agreement:

-The "Pop Survey" has been posted on our website (dsu.ca/get-involved/pop-survey). Please check it out, then fill it out! Submissions will be compiled and reviewed prior to reviewing offers from beverage companies.

Grawood planning:

-Working with the Exec and staff to establish the perfect branding for the new Grawood. Really jazzed about the new logo!

Investments:

-Met with our Investment Manager to review last year's performance.

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

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Food Services:

- Met with Chartwell's to discuss current operations and future plans for food services in the SUB.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Campus Wellness Strategy

- Met with folks from the Dalhousie Health & Wellness - they're seeking student support to eliminate the mandatory number of psychologists through a motion at the Board of Governors. They would like to see a transition to a peer-to-peer student coaching model.

ADVOCACY

NSNDP:

- Had a meeting with Gary Burrill (NSNDP Leader) with the rest of the executive to bring student concerns forward. He seemed fairly receptive to our concerns and eager to work on them in the Legislature.

SERVICES

DSU Health Plan:

- Met with a student regarding coverage amounts available under the DSU Health & Dental Plan and reviewed a comparison with other Atlantic universities. Unfortunately changes are not possible for this year, but forecasting is being completed now to map the implications of increasing coverage to a more comparable level as our counterparts.

PROGRAMMING & EVENTS

- O-Week planning is ongoing. Look forward to the best Field Party ever.

Vice President (Internal)

Report to Council

June 20th to July 17th

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INTERNAL

- Societies
 - Ratification is ongoing for general and constituent societies.
 - Many of the Faculty and Levy societies that submitted full documents for ratification are processed and are under constitutional revisions - then they will be ratified.
 - Meeting with different societies to talk about issues they are experiencing and help that they need with different things.
 - IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOUR SOCIETY IN THE SOCIETY AND VOLUNTEER EXPO, PLEASE FILL OUT THE WEBFORM ON THE WEBSITE.
 - Beginning to meet to discuss a residence grand council, what it could and should look like – in order to get the ball rolling for September on this.
- Staff Training
 - The creation/ scheduling of this year's part-time staff training is ongoing. The schedule is set down and now sessions are being planned, and everything is on track for the end of August.
- Staff Retreat
 - Had a staff retreat last week to do some visioning, and present the executive goals for the 2016/2017 year. It was lovely and productive!

OPERATIONS

- Tiger Society
 - This is our last official week with Tiger Society! We are pulling all the information off the website/ server before we lose access to it. We will be migrating to using our website for society administration purposes, and our app for more social media purposes & connectivity of societies.
- Society Training
 - Planning for September of society training is underway. There will be different sessions encapsulating different aspects of society life. Some will be mandatory (risk management, finances) and some will be optional (how to run an event, using the DSU App, etc).
 - If there is something you would like to see for society training, reach out to me, and let's see what we can do!

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

- Going to be meeting with Athletics with the VPSL in the near future, to see how societies can get involved more in sporting/ athletics at Dalhousie

ADVOCACY

- Met with the provincial leader of the NDP to discuss what is on their radar for post-secondary students and to talk about issues that are important to students at Dalhousie.
- Met with the Student Union at UPEI in their maritime tour of meeting with other student unions.
- Will be attending the Student Union Development Summit in August.

SERVICES

- Sexual Assault and Harassment Phone Line
 - We are currently in the process of submitting a funding proposal to Dalhousie for the Sexual Assault and Harassment Phone Line. What can students do to help with this? Send a letter of support from yourself, a society or group, and talk about how awesome and needed the phone line is! Send this to me at yipi@dsu.ca.
- Equity and Accessibility Office
 - The Equity and Accessibility Office is now hiring students for two different positions: Campaigns and Outreach Coordinator, as well as Research, Training and Campus Relations Coordinator.
- DSU Market
 - The DSU Market is currently hiring five positions! This is for: (2) Market Coordinator, Sexton Market Coordinator, Outreach and Communications Coordinator, and Delivery Driver! Apply for these online through the DSU job portal.
- DAGS – The Muse
 - The space formerly known as the Grad House has rebranded into The Muse and is hiring an Operations Manager as well as a Communications and Outreach Manager.

PROGRAMMING AND EVENTS

- Dal Pride Week
 - Lots of things going on this week! Make sure to come out to some events and show your support for our campus LGBTQ+ community. The events include:
 - Opening ceremonies – Monday 3pm Carleton Quad.
 - Get Colourful by Get REAL – Wednesday 5pm Studley Quad.

- LGBTQ+ Experiences in Post Secondary Education Panel – Thursday Noon, council chambers in the SUB.
 - Bechdel Test Film Screening – “Carol” with South House – Thursday 7pm, Fountain School of Performing Arts
 - Pride Parade!!!! – Saturday, Noon, parade marshalling zone.
- Society and Volunteer Expo
 - Planning is well underway for this event, but if you would like to get involved please email me! Society and Volunteer Organization registration are both open and spots are filling up! If you would like your society to have a booth in this Expo, fill out the webform online!
- Softball Intramurals
 - WE WON A GAME LAST WEEK AND WE PLAYED GREAT!

Vice President (Student Life)

Kelsey Keddy

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Council Report – For Council meeting July 20th, 2015
Monday, June 20th, 2016 to Sunday, July 17th, 2016

Internal

Sponsorship

- Working with sponsorship coordinator for Orientation Week to ensure successful acquisition of sponsors, as well as drawing up contracts, and identifying pack materials. Beginning the collection of sponsorship funding for both the handbook and orientation.

Communications

- Working to increase the efficiency of the App through the addition of a keyword search to the map, in partnership with the Gazette.

Grawood

- Further developing programming for the upcoming term featuring some old favourites such as Trivia, Dal's Got Talent and Open Mic, as well as looking into to some new offerings including society nights
- Involved in branding discussions for the new Grawood including logo and slogan design as well as creating a new mission and vision statement for the operation.

Feed Nova Scotia Food Drive

- Along with the DFA (Dalhousie Faculty Association) and Alumni Relations, the DSU is hosting a food drive for Feed NS where food donations are being accepted at the info desk of the student union building until July 22nd, 2016.

University Relations

Wellness Room

- Developing content that centers around many aspects of wellness include financial,
- Tentative September schedule has been created and features many partnerships include DMCRS, Student Health Promotion, Health Services and others.

Society Carnival

- Date has been set for September 20, 2016. Working with VPI, Rhiannon, and DSU Member Services Co-ordinator, Holly, and CLDC (Center for Leadership and Career Development) to recruit societies and volunteer organizations off campus.
- This event will feature a food truck fair!!

Community Day

- Sitting on the planning of Community Day which will feature new options for volunteerism, as well as be open for all students
- Over 5 organizations have signed up and we aim to provide volunteer opportunities for 250 students.
- The event will include a speaker and sponsored lunch from Freeman's Pizza.

Communications Committee

- Helping to create timelines for student contact that will minimize the number of emails new student receive and ensure that the content is relevant and organized
- Writing blog entries for the "Dear First Year Me" Blog surrounding the transition to university and expectations from a social perspective
- Working with this committee to maximize the benefit of swag given to first year students.

Advocacy

First Year Modules

- Assisting to develop and adapt content for first year student surrounding consent, sexualized violence, alcohol, wellness, community and inclusion
- Helping to develop an incentivized approach to increase participation
- The first two modules will be released on Thursday, July 21st, 2016.

Alcohol Harm Reduction (Sub Committee)

- Letter writing to local shops and grocery stores outline the necessity for reduced and eliminated advertising of products for the purpose of excessive drinking. (I.e. Beer Pong kits)
- Feed back drafted for Keep It Social campaign presented by NSLC to provincial institutions.

Pride at Dal Planning Committee

- Working to plan an opening ceremony for Pride at Dal to features speakers, poetry, music, and cake decorated by myself and another member of the committee.
- Involvement of DMCR at the cheering section for Dal located in front of the architecture building on the Sexton Campus for the parade on July 23rd, 2016, commencing at 1pm.
- Attended the first event Pride Parade in Truro with other student union members and marched with the Dal contingent.
- Will also be marching in the Halifax Pride Parade alongside many Dal student, faculty, and admin. (If you're reading this, you should come!) (dal.ca/showyourpride)

Programming & Events

Orientation Week

- Dates: September 3rd-9th, 2016. Training for leaders will take place through the 3 days prior to O-Week.
- Partnership with the International Center to provide a picnic style BBQ to students before closing ceremonies and to grant access to the final event to all international students who attend the BBQ. Incentivized teambuilding/ friendship making games are in the works
- The bursary program will continue this year with the goal of supplying 150 students with financial aid. Some bursaries are fully funded while others are partial. The sponsorship coordinator has been working with sponsors to specifically allocate a portion of sponsorship to this fund. The first round of bursary acceptances will be sent on July 22nd, 2016.
- Orientation committee continues to meet weekly and subcommittees have been meeting regularly with planning well underway.
- A new song and music video are being created for the promotion of DSU O-Week as well as a useful tool to build anticipation for new students.
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Fall Fest 2016

- Working with the undergraduate engineering society to host a revitalized fall fest featuring and outdoor pub feel and local music sampler.

Halifax Pop Explosion

- Secured Student Pricing for Halifax pop explosion. Use code: DALSTUDENT to get a HPX wristband for only \$69. (Savings of \$60!!)

Dalfest

- Further negotiations for talent and performing acts and contracts. Dates have been set as September 16th-17th
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Athletics and Receptions

Orientation

- Inclusion of Athletics and Varsity in Dalympics event, as well as the Rugby game
- New addition of an intramural sampler is scheduled as an evening activity

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CALL TO ORDER at 5:35 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

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|---------------------|--|
| Mitchell Brown | Chair |
| Julia Guk | Recording Secretary (non-voting) |
| Kathleen Reid | President |
| Amina Abawajy | Vice-President (Academic and External) |
| Dylan Ryan | Vice-President (Finance and Operations) |
| Kelsey Keddy | Vice-President (Student Life) |
| Rhiannon Makohoniuk | Vice-President (Internal) |
| Anthony Sakaili | BOG Representative |
| Cassie Martel | Agricultural Representative |
| Vacant | Architecture and Planning Representative |
| Emma Sylvester | Computer Science Representative |
| Vacant | Graduate Studies Representative |
| Vacant | Health Professions Representative |
| Mackenzie Goodwin | Management Representative |
| Mary Purcell | Medicine Representative |
| Shauna Bulman | Science Representative |
| Vacant | Black Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | International Students' Community Representative |
| Bart Soroka | Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | Students with Disabilities Representative |
| Vacant | Residence Representative |

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

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| Kati George-Jim | BOG Representative |
| Alex Hughes | Arts and Social Science Representative |
| Ivit Yakub | Dentistry Representative |
| Daniel Tremblay | Engineering Representative |
| Mike Coady | Law Representative |

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

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| Aaron Prosper | Aboriginal Students' Community Representative |
| Katie Douglas | Women's Community Representative |

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OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2016-08-17: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Purcell

MOTION 2016-08-17: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to add an appointment to update the Bylaw and Policy Committee with a non counsellor who is interested in joining.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-08-17: A02: CARRIED

MOTION 2016-08-17: A01 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2016-08-17: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the July 20, 2016 Council meeting be accepted.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-08-17: M01 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Standing Committees

i. Bylaw and Policy Review Committee:

Nominations:
Max Vermeir

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MOTION 2016-08-17: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Max Vermeir be appointed to the Bylaw and Policy Review Committee.

Moved: Purcell Seconded: Makohoniuk

MOTION 2016-08-17: N01 CARRIED

ii. Executive Review Committee

Tabled to the September meeting.

iii. Student Life Committee

Tabled to the September meeting.

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board of Governors Caucus

There were no updates this meeting – Looking to fill Anthony Saikali's seat.

B. Senate Caucus

Abawayj said that there were no updates this meeting.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Voter Identification Policy

MOTION 2016-08-17: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Voter Identification Policy be tabled until the next meeting.

Moved: Soroka Seconded: Makohoniuk

MOTION 2016-08-17: N02 CARRIED

B. Council Policy

MOTION 2016-08-17: N03

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Reid said that Council Policies have been circulated in an email document to council where the highlighted parts are the edited parts that the Bylaw and Policy Review Committee have created.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the reviewed Council Policy be accepted as they are submitted and then revised.

Moved: Ryan Seconded: Reid

MOTION 2016-08-17: N03 CARRIED

C. Standing Resolutions (Council)

MOTION 2016-08-17: N04

Reid said that Standing Resolutions (Council) have been circulated in an email document to council where the highlighted parts are the edited parts that the Bylaw and Policy Review Committee have created.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the reviewed Standing Resolutions (council) be accepted as they are submitted and then revised.

Moved: Makohoniuk Seconded: Abawayj

MOTION 2016-08-17: N04 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-08-17: N05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council Policy review will be reopened to discuss 6J on the document.

Moved: Reid Seconded: Keddy

MOTION 2016-08-17: N05 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-08-17: N06

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council Policy review will be accepted as rediscussed but not amended from the previous discussion.

Moved: Ryan Seconded: Keddy

MOTION 2016-08-17: N06 CARRIED

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D. Executive Policy

MOTION 2016-08-17: N07

Reid said that Executive Policies have been circulated in an email document to council where the highlighted parts are the edited parts that the Bylaw and Policy Review Committee have created.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the reviewed Executive Policy be accepted as they are submitted and then revised.

Moved: Ryan Seconded: Purcell

MOTION 2016-08-17: N07 CARRIED

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Society Policy (proposed changes)

MOTION 2016-08-17: N08

Whereas Annual General Meetings are an excellent way for students to review how a year has gone;

And whereas the Dalhousie Student Union holds only one Annual General Meeting a year, and it is at or near the end of the winter semester;

And whereas 'list of goals or objectives for the coming year' would indicate that a general meeting would have to be held early in the fall semester;

BE IT RESOLVED the society policy 9(d)(iv) be amended to read:

'...include an opportunity for the general membership to review a summary of the financial statements of the society, and a presentation of achievements of the society for the previous year.'

Reid said that Executive Policies have been circulated in an email document to council where the highlighted parts are the edited parts that the Bylaw and Policy Review Committee have created.

Moved: Reid Seconded: Ryan

MOTION 2016-08-17: N08 CARRIED

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MOTION 2016-08-17: N09

Whereas bloated documents are more difficult to access, and therefore keep students outside of the conversations;

And whereas unnecessary clauses cause bloat within documents;

And whereas every organization must always refrain from infringement upon laws, and operate within the Bylaws of the organization from which it comes;

BE IT RESOLVED the society policy 9(i) be deleted.

Bart has withdrawn this motion.

MOTION 2016-08-17: N10

Whereas the use of ‘general meetings’ and ‘annual general meetings’ is unnecessarily confusing;

BE IT RESOLVED that section 11(c) of the society policy be amended to replace the phrase ‘general meetings’ with ‘council/board meetings’

Moved: Reid Seconded: Ryan

MOTION 2016-08-17: N10 CARRIED

9. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Reid gave an overview of her written report to Council.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Makohoniuk gave an overview of her written report to Council.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Ryan gave an overview of his written report to Council.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Abawajy gave an overview of her written report to Council.

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E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Keddy gave an overview of her written report to Council.

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

Reid said that they will be appointing the new Board of Governors position next meeting.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2016-08-17: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Abawayj

MOTION 2016-08-17: A02 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM

**PRESIDENT
KATHLEEN REID
REPORT TO COUNCIL**

July 17th, 2016 to August 14th, 2016

Contact at:

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INTERNAL

Sexton Director Position

- The DSU Sexton Director position is now open. This position is open for applications from any students from Sexton campus, and will act as a liaison between the DSU and sexton among many other things.

Policy and Research Coordinator Position

- We are currently hiring a new Policy and Research Coordinator, which is a full time position with the DSU. This position will be a support to council, as well as executives and staff for information on student issues in post secondary institutions, policy review and creation, ect.

Part Time Staff Training Day

- Collaborating with staff and exec to plan specific sessions for our part time staff-training day in September. This group will be returning and new staff to the union. The main goal of the day is to welcome new staff to the union while ensuring that they can be ambassadors of the building and act as information resources to students.

SUB Rebranding and Way-finding project

- Collaborating with our graphic designer and an external company to work on the rebranding of the Student Union Building. The point of this project is to provide a new feel with the new space, and ensure that students can find their way around the building in the most accessible way.

EXTERNAL

Student Union Development Summit

- Myself, VPFO, VPSL, and VPI all attended SUDS 2016 at UBC this month.
- The conference was help by UBC AMS (their student union) and student union executives from across the country come together to discuss strategies, current issues, services, ect.
- It was a great networking opportunity and we came away from it with some new ideas, and projects to implement.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

University Senate

- Senate is now on hiatus until September, as are committees.
- Sat on several Senate Disciplinary Appeals committee hearings.

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- Working with the VP Academic & External (Amina) to ensure that all newly formed senate seats are filled fairly and using best practices so they can join in September.

Student Services Meet Ups

- Continuing bi-weekly meetings with the Student Services team to connect on student issues, and important current points.

Board of Governors

- We will be electing a new student Board of Governors Rep at the first September council meeting. Please circulate the opportunity to your constituencies, and let me know if you have any questions about the issue.

1.1 Retention Committee

- Sitting on the University Strategic Retention committee. Looking at how strategies affect student success and retention for Dalhousie, compared to other Canadian institutions.

OPERATIONS

Renovations

- Stage 3 of renovations is well under way and we have been informed that we are still on track to have the project completed by September 1st.
- Work continues on the new Atrium area: steel structure in place, Work continues Glazing panel (Glass) installation is proceeding and nearing completion. The Fireplace and lighting in the atrium are now fully complete.

Grawood

- The Grawood is closed for renovations this summer.
- Construction of new Grawood and Community Kitchens continues
- Collaborating with the Grawood Manager, Communications Manager, and Grawood staff look at the branding, vibes of the new space, and a cohesive marketing plan for the fall.
- We officially have a new Logo and tagline for the Grawood, created by our graphic designer.

ADVOCACY

International Student Health Plan

- Continuing work with VPFO (Dylan) and DSU General Manager (Craig) to create an MOU with the university on the International Student Health plan. This MOU aims to ensure the best service and price for international students, while working through our health plan office.
- The MOU is in its final competition stages and will be ready for September.

SERVICES

**PRESIDENT
KATHLEEN REID
REPORT TO COUNCIL**

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DSU Phone Line

- Because of resource capacity the phone line is paused for service over the summer.
- We have recently created a proposal to the University for funding. We can now begin looking at next steps for the project, and the possibilities of further collaboration with the University.
- If you are interested in supporting the DSU in making this project continue, please reach out to Rhiannon (at vpi@dsu.ca) We will need student support!

Office of the Ombudsperson

- Moving forward with VP Provost Student Affairs to ensure that the ombudsperson is full functioning and ready to begin in September.
- The hiring committee has held interviews and are currently going through a selection process.
- The office of the ombuds will officially be hosted on the 4th floor of the SUB.



VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC & EXTERNAL

Report to DSU Council for Wednesday August 17th, 2016

Amina Abawajy – vpae@dsu.ca

INTERNAL

- Executive meetings biweekly
- Phone line meetings
- Meeting with Dalhousie Association of Graduate Studies

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Senate

- N/A

Other

- Presented DSU Sexual Assault and Harassment Phone Line Project Funding Proposal to Arig, Dalhousie's Vice Provost Student Affairs.

ADVOCACY

- Attended a panel on LGBTQ2S+ experiences in post secondary education organized by Rhiannon. Panelists included students, faculty, and administrators.
- Attended a Pride material making session hosted by CFS.
- Attended a meeting with a student and their student loans officer to advocate for an appeal the decision to reject their summer student loan application.
- Attended the Dyke and Trans March with Rhiannon and Dylan
- Attended the Pride parade with our awesome political intersectional posters we designed this year. The posters were:
 - Trans issues are student issues (from last year)
 - Queer issues are student issues (from last year)
 - Gender neutral washrooms #giveacrap (from last year)
 - There's no pot of gold at the end of this rainbow (from last year)



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- Racism is a student issue (from last year but not at pride)
 - Indigenous issues are student issues (from last year but not at pride)
 - Black trans lives matter (new)
 - Black queer lives matter (new)
 - Blood ban still homophobic (new)
 - Blood ban still transphobic (new)
 - The gender binary is a colonial framework (new)
 - And more!
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- Met with Elections Nova Scotia, in preparation for the possibility of a provincial election.
 - Met with the Canadian Federation of Students about municipal elections campaign #GenVote
 - Met with Elections HRM, in preparation for the municipal elections.
 - Attended Post Secondary Education Coalition meeting which includes representatives from Dalhousie Faculty Association, the Canadian Federation of Students, Nova Scotia Government and General Employees Union

SERVICES

DSAS

- Met with directors to go through and propose changes to the operations policy - which will be brought forward to council.
- Contracts and offers for directors
- Branding and promotion of services

Phoneline

- Released a video addressed to Dr. Florizone about continuing to support the phone line. There was also a letter of support that people could sign onto, that was sent to Arig.



PROGRAMMING & EVENTS

O-week

- Cultural Society Expo Committee
- Thinking about fun advocacy games for the field party. Last year there was a game where you had to pay for tuition, food, and rent but only had two bags of money. Any ideas, send them my way!

UPCOMING

- Chalking action for municipal elections tomorrow from 10:30am-12:00pm at Halifax Grand Parade. We're going to send a message to city councillors that student issues are municipal election issues. We'll chalk our messages about affordable housing, fair wages, transportation, and the issues that are important to you.
- 2016 Maritimes Skills Development Symposium, hosted by the Canadian Federation of Students, is happening at NSCAD University on September 16-17. Workshops include: building an inclusive student movement, campaigns organizing, media relations, successful meetings and more. Space for 3 council members.

Vice President (Finance & Operations) REPORT TO COUNCIL

August 18th, 2016 to September 14th, 2016

INTERNAL

Ethical Investment Policy:

-Working with the Policy & Bylaw Review Committee to draft a comprehensive ethical investment policy that will come before Council at our next meeting. It aims to ensure that the DSU is investing our assets in ethical companies and not anywhere else. If anyone has any questions/concerns surrounding the policy please reach out!

Part Time Staff Training:

-Had a very successful Part Time Staff Training regimen! Much more inter-departmental training was had, as well as more subjects covered for all staff (Anti-O, Mental Health Crisis Intervention, security procedures, etc). This will be the best trained staff the DSU's ever seen!

DSUSO:

-Had a great meeting with the Coordinators of DSUSO regarding their integration with our other staff. Excited to see what the two of them put together this year out of their many plans!

We're also searching for new members of the DSUSO Steering Committee - if you or someone you know has a passion for all things sustainability reach out to dsu.sustain@dal.ca to learn how to get involved!

Treasurer Training:

-First Treasurer Training takes place Monday (Sept 12). Excited to see meet all the folks managing student funds and to get them off on the right foot!

Any societies that haven't signed up can find the dates on <http://dsu.ca/societytraining> and more will be added soon!

OPERATIONS

Food Service Plan:

-Continuing to examine potential food service models for services in the SUB. This has meant conducting lots of outreach to colleagues and professionals across Canada to try to bring a model that best fits the DSU to Council.

Renovations:

Vice President (Finance & Operations) REPORT TO COUNCIL

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-Renos are done!! ...For the most part. Marco (our Contractor) will likely still be around for weeks to complete smaller details of the renos (such as landscaping). If you haven't had a chance, take some time to check out the new Atrium, Grawood and Loaded Ladle digs!

Compensation Report:

Working to adjust pay brackets for full time staff based on the compensation report we've received from Grant Thornton that was commissioned by the previous executive.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Tiger Patrol:

-As Tiger Patrol gets up and running again for the year, I've been working with Security to ensure that their new plans to address past complaints are effectively institutionalized.

The service was also promoted to our first year students in their O-Week packs on a nifty business card!

Budget Advisory Committee:

-We've submitted our two nominations for student representatives on the Budget Advisory Committee. Justin Pon (a Weldon Law student) and I are the two names submitted. We expect to hear back soon as the Committee will be underway later this Fall.

SERVICES

Health & Dental Plan:

-We've changed the Dental Plan! Benefits for students have increased for the 2016-17 year to be in line with the dental plans of other Universities in our region. Detailed info on our coverage can be found at the Health Plan Office (rm 344) or online at www.studentvip.ca.

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

August 18th, 2016 to September 14th, 2016

PROGRAMMING & EVENTS

Orientation Week:

-O-Week was a great success! Many great events were had and an awesome introduction to our school was given by everyone involved. Registration went very smoothly, however pre-registrants appeared to be down from previous years - financial implications remain to be seen.

Community Day:

-Had a great time participating in Community Day with Dal students and staff. Had the opportunity to work with the folks from Habitat for Humanity and no one was injured!

Vice President (Internal)

Report to Council

June 20th to July 17th

Contact:

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INTERNAL

Societies

- Ratifications are still ongoing, type 1, 2 and 3. If you have any questions about ratifications please let me know. The switch from Tiger Society to the Website has been pretty smooth, with some mild confusion from students.
- Society and Volunteer Expo is on September 20th! Sign up online at <http://www.dsu.ca/societies/society-and-volunteer-expo>.
- Society Training Schedule is online now - if there is something you want to see added to society training please let me know. I am also planning ongoing monthly training sessions that go a little deeper into societies, and will be co-led by students on campus doing great things.
- Meeting with the Graduate Student Society this week to talk more about Grad Student Issues.

Grawood rebranding!!!

OPERATIONS

Equity and Accessibility Office

- Hiring process took place over the past several weeks. We have put out offers to two candidates for the two positions, and are in the process of drawing up and signing contracts. These positions will be starting the week of the 22nd.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Have been in talks with Administration about the funding of the Phone Line over the past couple weeks.

Started a weekly ongoing meeting with the ED of Student Life, Chauncey Kennedy.

Met with people about DSU involvement in Dal's 2016 Open House taking place October 22nd.

SERVICES

Sexual Assault and Harassment Phone Line

- Dal wouldn't offer us the money that we needed to run this line for a full year. We are currently trying to figure out how to make this, or another sexualized violence/survivor support service work for September.

PROGRAMMING AND EVENTS

Part Time Staff Training

- Coming up within the next two weeks! Very excited to have part-time staff back in the city and working again this year! We have a great team, and I'm very excited to see it back in full motion.

O-Week

- September is just around the corner, and so is O-Week!

Society and Volunteer Expo

- September 20th! Sign up!! Societies, Volunteer Organizations, Food Trucks, Performances, and more!

SUDS 2016

- Went to the Student Union Development Summit in Vancouver this past weekend and learned skills and insight into Student Union life, as well as networked with different Student Union executives from across the country.

Consent Culture Forum

- The Canadian Federation of Students is hosting a Consent Culture Forum in early October. I, as well as Amina and one of our staff people, are sitting on the organizing committee for that. There will be an amount of Dal students able to attend!

Vice President (Student Life)

Kelsey Keddy

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SUB 280

Council Report – For Council meeting August 17th, 2016
Monday, July 18th, 2016 to Sunday, August 14th, 2016

Internal

Sponsorship

- Working with sponsorship coordinator for Orientation Week to ensure successful acquisition of sponsors, as well as drawing up contracts, and identifying pack materials.
- Sponsored swag has begun to be delivered including water bottles, buffs, pens, fans etc

Communications

- Hired a social media coordinator for the duration of O-Week to manage Instagram, snapchat, facebook, and twitter.
- Working to increase the efficiency of the App through the addition of a keyword search to the map, in partnership with the Gazette.

Grawood

- Further developing programming for the upcoming term featuring some old favourites such as Trivia, Dal's Got Talent and Open Mic, as well as looking into to some new offerings including society nights
- Involved in branding discussions for the new Grawood including logo and slogan design as well as creating a new mission and vision statement for the operation.

Phone line

- Working with other executives to develop programming for sexualize violence.

University Relations

Budget Meeting

- Met with Provost Carolyn Watters and VP Finance Ian Nason
- Discussion surrounding the current budget process
- Lobbied and gain selection of grad students to be done by DAGS.

Back to School Campaign

- Working with Dal News to develop content for back to school profiles as well as content for new stories.

Wellness Room

- Developing content that centers around many aspects of wellness include financial,
- Tentative September schedule has been created and features many partnerships include DMCRT, Student Health Promotion, Health Services and others.

Society and Volunteer Expo

- Date has been set for September 20, 2016. Working with VPI, Rhiannon, and DSU Member Services Co-ordinator, Holly, and CLDC (Center for Leadership and Career Development) to recruit societies and volunteer organizations off campus.
- This event will feature a food truck fair!!

Community Day

- Sitting on the planning of Community Day which will feature new options for volunteerism, as well as be open for all students
- Facebook event is live and I encourage all councillors to sign up!
- Confirmed Speaker of Rebecca Thomas and sponsored lunch from Freeman's Pizza.

Advocacy

First Year Modules

- Assisting to develop and adapt content for first year student surrounding consent, sexualized violence, alcohol, wellness, community and inclusion
- Helping to develop an incentivized approach to increase participation
- The first two modules will be released on Thursday, July 21st, 2016.

University Alcohol Policy Committee

- Alcohol Harm Reduction (Sub Committee)
- Feed back drafted for Keep It Social campaign presented by NSLC to provincial institutions, second round.
- Provided written feedback for policy and lobbied for ability to display Grawood menu and Prices.

Student Union Development Summit (SUDS)

- Travelled to beautiful British Columbia to attend this conference
- Attended sessions including "Crisis Management: Dealing with Media", "Flagships Events" and "Social Media: Videography" to name a few.
- Met and net worked with over a dozen student unions including Carleton, Wester, UofM, UofS, UofA, UBC etc.
- Brought back lots of ideas for new events on campus and created connections with other VPSLs (or equivalent) to work on block bookings and idea sharing throughout the year.

Pride 2016

- Sat on planning committee for Dal Pride.
- Participated in Pride parades in Halifax and Truro, and tabled at the community fair after the Halifax parade.

Programming & Events

Orientation Week

- Dates: September 3rd-9th, 2016. Training for leaders will take place through the 3 days prior to O-Week.
- Partnership with the International Center to provide a picnic style BBQ to students before closing ceremonies and to grant access to the final event to all international students who attend the BBQ. Incentivized teambuilding/ friendship making games are in the works
- The bursary program will continue this year with the goal of supplying 150 students with financial aid. Some bursaries are fully funded while others are partial. The sponsorship coordinator has been working with sponsors to specifically allocate a portion of sponsorship to this fund. Over 40 bursaries have been awarded with more to come!
- Orientation committee continues to meet weekly and subcommittees have been meeting regularly with planning well underway.
- A new song and music video are being created for the promotion of DSU O-Week as well as a useful tool to build anticipation for new students. The song has been recorded and the footage for the video is well underway.
- Leader training has been development and the online content is expected to go live this week through bright space.

Dalfest

- Three acts have been secured and further negotiations for talent and performing acts are on going. Dates have been set as September 16th-17th and sponsorship has been secured.
- Community Notice will be sent/delivered to nearby neighbours to provide warning of potential noise levels

Athletics and Receptions

Football Club

- Upcoming meeting with Football club to discuss next season and ways to promote.

Varsity

- Working on a promotional plan to better include varsity and club sports in programming.
- Upcoming meeting with Angela Barrett-Jewers to further discuss involvement of DSU in Varsity programming.

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CALL TO ORDER at 6:05 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

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|------------------------|--|
| Mitchell Brown | Chair |
| Julia Guk | Recording Secretary (non-voting) |
| Kathleen Reid | President |
| Amina Abawajy | Vice-President (Academic and External) |
| Dylan Ryan | Vice-President (Finance and Operations) |
| Kelsey Keddy | Vice-President (Student Life) |
| Rhiannon Makohoniuk | Vice-President (Internal) |
| Vacant | BOG Representative |
| Kati George-Jim | BOG Representative |
| Cassie Martel | Agricultural Representative |
| Vacant | Architecture and Planning Representative |
| Alex Hughes | Arts and Social Science Representative |
| Raphael Bronfman-Nadas | Computer Science Representative |
| Ivit Yakub | Dentistry Representative |
| Daniel Tremblay | Engineering Representative |
| Vacant | Graduate Studies Representative |
| Vacant | Health Professions Representative |
| Mike Coady | Law Representative |
| Mackenzie Goodwin | Management Representative |
| Mary Purcell | Medicine Representative |
| Shauna Bulman | Science Representative |
| Aaron Prosper | Aboriginal Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | Black Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | International Students' Community Representative |
| Bart Soroka | Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | Students with Disabilities Representative |
| Vacant | Residence Representative |
| Katie Douglas | Women's Community Representative |

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

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Yaser Alkayale
Jessica Dempsey
Kaitlynne Lowe
Kit Moran
Chris Wierczoreks
Connor Cepella
Abdal Elnaggar
Michael Murray
Mo Kabarra

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2016-09-14: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Abawayj **Seconded:** Bronfman-Nadas

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Purcell

MOTION 2016-09-14: A02: CARRIED

MOTION 2016-09-14: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-09-14: A03 CARRIED

BE IT RESOLVED THAT agenda be amended to move Voter Identification Policy up in the agenda to Presentations.

Moved: Prosper **Seconded:** Kabbar

MOTION 2016-09-14: A03 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2016-09-14: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the August 17, 2016 Council meeting be accepted as circulated.

Moved: Tremblay **Seconded:** Bulman

MOTION 2016-09-14: M02

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the August 17, 2016 Council meeting be changed that the BOG Rep Anthony Saikali was not present last meeting.

Moved: Abawayj Seconded: Makohoniuk

MOTION 2016-09-14: M02 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-09-14: M01 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Council Members

Nominations:
Mo Kabbara (nominated by DAGS)

MOTION 2016-09-14: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Mo Kabarra be appointed to be the DAGS Representative.

Moved: Prosper Seconded: Makohoniuk

MOTION 2016-09-14: N01 CARRIED

Acknowledgement by the Chair that we've received a nomination for the Black Students Representative but we are waiting on the minutes from their AGM.

B. BOG Rep

Nominations:
Yaser Alkayale
Connor Cepella
Jessica Dempsey
Abdal Elnaggar
Kaitlynn Lowe
Kit Moran
Bart Soroka
Chris Wierczoreks

MOTION 2016-09-14: N02

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT speaking time be limited to 2 minutes.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Keddy

MOTION 2016-09-14: N03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT speaking time be amended to be limited to 3 minutes.

Moved: Coady **Seconded:** Tremblay

Bart Soroka has abstained from the vote.

MOTION 2016-09-14: N02 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-09-14: N03 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-09-14: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move into camera.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Kabbara

MOTION 2016-09-14: N04 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-09-14: N05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Bart Soroka be appointed as the BOG Rep.

Moved: Coady **Seconded:** Kabbara

MOTION 2016-09-14: N05 CARRIED

C. Standing Committees

i. Student Life Committee

Nominations:

Alex Hughes

Mo Kabbar

MOTION 2016-09-14: N06

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Alex Hughes and Mo Kabbar be appointed to the Ad Hoc Committee.

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Moved: Prosper Seconded: Makohoniuk

MOTION 2016-09-14: N06 CARRIED

ii. Grants and Sponsorship Committee

MOTION 2016-09-14: N07

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kati George-Jim resigns from the Committee of Grants and Sponsorship.

Moved: George-Jim Seconded: Ryan

MOTION 2016-09-14: N07 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-09-14: N08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Raphael Bronfman-Nadas be appointed to the Committee of Grants and Sponsorship.

Moved: Bronfman-Nadas Seconded: Ryan

MOTION 2016-09-14: N08 CARRIED

ii. Executive Review Committee

The appointments to this Committee have been tabled.

iii. Ad Hoc Committee: CRO Nomination

MOTION 2016-09-14: N09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the previous CRO can sit as a member of the Ad Hoc Committee.

Moved: Douglas Seconded: Prosper

MOTION 2016-09-14: N10

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the previous motion be amended so that previous CRO can sit as a voting member of the Ad Hoc Committee should he accept the position, if he does not, then a consultation position will be available.

Moved: Coady Seconded: Douglas

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MOTION 2016-09-14: N10 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-09-14: N11

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council strikes an Ad Hoc Committee to nominate a CRO candidate.

Moved: Kabbara Seconded: Soroka

MOTION 2016-09-14: N11 CARRIED

Nominations:

Aaron Prosper

Kati George-Jim

Katie Douglas

MOTION 2016-09-14: N12

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Aaron Prosper, Kati George-Jim and Katie Douglas be appointed to the Ad Hoc CRO Nominations Committee

Moved: Ryan Seconded: Kabbara

MOTION 2016-09-14: N12 CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. Equity and Accessibility Office

Masuma gave a presentation on the Voter Identification Policy. She discussed our options for systems that she said are inclusive of all students so that there are no issues in the future and she discussed her opinions on how to make the policy better, more equitable, and accessible to all students.

i. Voter Identification Policy

Council had a preliminary discussion regarding the bylaws and the Voter Identification Policy and will continue more thoroughly next meeting.

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board of Governors Caucus

Kati George-Jim said that the board has met during the summer and she said that herself and Kathleen Reid will be attending meetings in October.

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B. Senate Caucus

Abawayj said they reopened nominations for the Senate Caucus and will be sending out callouts for the last seat. She also said tht there was a Senate orientation that most of the Caucus was able to attend.

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. Policy Review

MOTION 2016-09-14: N13

BE IT RESOLVED THAT discussion be prohibited on the new business until the next council meeting for the interest of time.

Moved: Coady Seconded: Douglas

MOTION 2016-09-14: N13 CARRIED

A. Sexual Assault Phone-Line (Funding)

Soroka discussed his work on pushing the Sexual Assault Phone-Line forward to try to receive funding.

B. Amendment to Social Media Policy

Masuma gave a proposed amendment and council will receive a formal description of the suggested amendment and we will discuss next council meeting.

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

MOTION 2016-09-14: B01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT oral presentations by the executive be skipped in the interest of time since written reports were given out.

Moved: Douglas Seconded: George-Jim

MOTION 2016-09-14: B01 CARRIED

A. President

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Reid gave an overview of her written report to Council.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Makohoniuk gave an overview of her written report to Council.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Ryan gave an overview of his written report to Council.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Abawajy gave an overview of her written report to Council.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Keddy gave an overview of her written report to Council.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOTION 2016-09-14: Q01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the deadline for council reports be extended to a week from today, next Wednesday, September 21st.

Moved: Bulman **Seconded:** Soroka

MOTION 2016-09-14: Q01 CARRIED

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2016-09-14: A04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be extended beyond the 9 pm cap to have a preliminary discussion on each of the items.

Moved: Soroka **Seconded:** Prosper

MOTION 2016-09-14: A04 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-09-14: A05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

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Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Bronfman-Nadas

MOTION 2016-09-14: A05 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 PM

PRESIDENT KATHLEEN REID REPORT TO COUNCIL

August 14th, 2016 to September 14th, 2016

Contact at:

president@dsu.ca

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INTERNAL

Sexton Director Position

- We are in the final stages of hiring the Sexton Campus Director. This position is open for applications from any students from Sexton campus, and will act as a liaison between the DSU and sexton among many other things.

Policy and Research Coordinator Position

- We are currently hiring a new Policy and Research Coordinator, which is a full time position with the DSU. This position will be a support to council, as well as executives and staff for information on student issues in post secondary institutions, policy review and creation, ect.

Part Time Staff Training Day

- Facilitated several sessions for the DSU Part time staff training day. We trained over 100 new and returning staff members to join our team at the Union.
- Other sessions were run by other executives, full time staff members, as well as Dal security.

EXTERNAL

Office Hours and Tabling

- Working with the rest of the Executives to set office hours where students can come visit the office with any questions or concerns they may have. These will be posted and circulated once they are determined.
- We will also be setting specific days to table with the DSU street team.

Induction Ceremonies

- Spoke to welcome the incoming classes at Dalhousie at the Halifax and Truro Induction Ceremonies.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

University Senate

- Attended the Senate orientation session on September 7th
- The re-composition of Senate process is taking longer than expected and has not yet been moved to Board of Governors for approval.
- Currently working with Amina (VP Academic and External) to ensure that there is still efficient student representation for the 2016/2017 year.

Student Services Meet Ups

- Continuing bi-weekly meetings with the Student Services team to connect on student issues, and important current points.

PRESIDENT KATHLEEN REID REPORT TO COUNCIL

August 14th, 2016 to September 14th, 2016

OPERATIONS

Renovations

- Renovations to the SUB are officially competed!
- Stay tuned for the official opening ceremony of the new spaces of the SUB.

Grawood

- The Grawood is officially open for service. With extended hours and new programming we are hoping that the Grawood is more accessible to students than before.
- Please let me know if you have any feedback about the new space. We are looking for input about menu, space, accessibility ect.
- We officially have a new Logo and tagline for the Grawood, created by our graphic designer.

SERVICES

DSU Phone Line

- The Phonenumber is officially back in service for September and October of 2016.
- If you are interested in supporting the DSU in making this project continue, please reach out to Rhiannon (at vpi@dsu.ca) We will need student support!

Office of the Ombudsperson

- The hiring committee has held interviews and gone through the process for the first pool of candidates. Unfortunately we were unsuccessful in our search.
- We will be looking back into other candidates and holding a second round of interviews.
- The office of the ombuds will officially be hosted on the 4th floor of the SUB.

OTHER

Orientation Week

- Our VP Student Life Kelsey, and our Orientation Week Coordinator, along with the planning committee and O-Week leaders pulled off an amazing orientation week!
- Dylan (VP Finance and Operations) and myself hosted a intro to the DSU workshop to inform students about what we do and the best ways to get involved.
- I had a blast helping execute all of the events and welcome the new students to our campus.



VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC & EXTERNAL

Report to DSU Council for Wednesday September 14th, 2016

Amina Abawajy – vpae@dsu.ca

INTERNAL

- Executive meetings twice a week
- Meeting with Dalhousie Student Advocacy Services (DSAS) Executive Director, Kym
- Meeting with Dalhousie Student Union Sustainability Office (DSUSO) Meeting
- Meetings with Equity and Accessibility Office new staff, Masuma and Michael

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Senate

- Attended Senate Orientation on September 7th along with the majority of the Interim Senate Caucus. I will be following up with senators that were not able to attend. I'm also in communication with Andrea, Associate Secretary of Senate, to host a senate orientation for all student senators.

Other

- Ratification meeting with Bob, Discipline and Appeals Manager, and Katherine, Senate Vice Chair (Student Affairs), on September 7th to ratify Academic Integrity cases.

ADVOCACY

- A chalking action, with the Canadian Federation of Students, was held at Grand Parade in preparation for the municipal elections. Students chalked messages focused on affordable housing, arts and culture, fair wages, food security, and public transportation.
- Attended the first meeting of the Provincial Mental Health Task Force. Representatives from Nova Scotia Community College, Mount Saint Vincent University, University of King's College (with other colleges and universities sending regrets) met to discuss what mental health services look like on our different campuses.
- I had an interview with Sheldon Macloud in light of Dalhousie spending \$390,000 to send millionaires to MIT for free. If you haven't already, check out our infographics with the hashtag #390Kcould



SERVICES

DSAS

- All director positions have been filled! Contracts have been sent out.
- Training for all, returning and new, DSAS volunteers will be happening on October 1st and 2nd. Training is also open to the general student body.
- DSAS has a new logo and materials have been distributed in all orientation week kits.

PROGRAMMING & EVENTS

O-Week

- O-week was jam-packed! Thanks to Kelsey and Katie for all their hard work. I attended Leader Camp, Field Party, Opening Ceremonies, Rock the Boat, Shine Hype Up, Cheer Off, Sex Talk, Choose Your Own Adventure, Dal 101, Induction Ceremony, Rugby Game, Outdoor BBQ with the International Centre, Closing Ceremonies, Coastsheaga, and Community Day.

OPERATIONS

- I attended part-time staff training day on August 31 and led an anti-oppression workshop.

UPCOMING

- Interim Senate Caucus Meeting (look out for an email!)
- Senate orientation for full Senate Caucus
- Skills September 16-17

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

August 18th, 2016 to September 14th, 2016

INTERNAL

Ethical Investment Policy:

-Working with the Policy & Bylaw Review Committee to draft a comprehensive ethical investment policy that will come before Council at our next meeting. It aims to ensure that the DSU is investing our assets in ethical companies and not anywhere else. If anyone has any questions/concerns surrounding the policy please reach out!

Part Time Staff Training:

-Had a very successful Part Time Staff Training regimen! Much more inter-departmental training was had, as well as more subjects covered for all staff (Anti-O, Mental Health Crisis Intervention, security procedures, etc). This will be the best trained staff the DSU's ever seen!

DSUSO:

-Had a great meeting with the Coordinators of DSUSO regarding their integration with our other staff. Excited to see what the two of them put together this year out of their many plans!

We're also searching for new members of the DSUSO Steering Committee - if you or someone you know has a passion for all things sustainability reach out to dsu.sustain@dal.ca to learn how to get involved!

Treasurer Training:

-First Treasurer Training takes place Monday (Sept 12). Excited to see meet all the folks managing student funds and to get them off on the right foot!

Any societies that haven't signed up can find the dates on <http://dsu.ca/societytraining> and more will be added soon!

OPERATIONS

Food Service Plan:

-Continuing to examine potential food service models for services in the SUB. This has meant conducting lots of outreach to colleagues and professionals across Canada to try to bring a model that best fits the DSU to Council.

Renovations:

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-Renos are done!! ...For the most part. Marco (our Contractor) will likely still be around for weeks to complete smaller details of the renos (such as landscaping). If you haven't had a chance, take some time to check out the new Atrium, Grawood and Loaded Ladle digs!

Compensation Report:

Working to adjust pay brackets for full time staff based on the compensation report we've received from Grant Thornton that was commissioned by the previous executive.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Tiger Patrol:

-As Tiger Patrol gets up and running again for the year, I've been working with Security to ensure that their new plans to address past complaints are effectively institutionalized.

The service was also promoted to our first year students in their O-Week packs on a nifty business card!

Budget Advisory Committee:

-We've submitted our two nominations for student representatives on the Budget Advisory Committee. Justin Pon (a Weldon Law student) and I are the two names submitted. We expect to hear back soon as the Committee will be underway later this Fall.

SERVICES

Health & Dental Plan:

-We've changed the Dental Plan! Benefits for students have increased for the 2016-17 year to be in line with the dental plans of other Universities in our region. Detailed info on our coverage can be found at the Health Plan Office (rm 344) or online at www.studentvip.ca.

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

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PROGRAMMING & EVENTS

Orientation Week:

-O-Week was a great success! Many great events were had and an awesome introduction to our school was given by everyone involved. Registration went very smoothly, however pre-registrants appeared to be down from previous years - financial implications remain to be seen.

Community Day:

-Had a great time participating in Community Day with Dal students and staff. Had the opportunity to work with the folks from Habitat for Humanity and no one was injured!

Vice President (Internal)

Rhiannon Makohoniuk

Report to Council

August 15th - September 11th

Room 283, the SUB

Work (902) 494 - 1276

Cell (902) 430 - 8835

INTERNAL

- DSU Sexual Assault and Harassment Phone Line
 - Running Until November 3rd - from 12 (noon) to 12 (midnight).
 - The Sexual Assault and Harassment Phone Line is a 24 hour peer to peer active listening service for students who have experienced sexual and/ or gender-based violence.
- Part Time Staff Training Day
 - Went wonderful. Was a bit longer this year, but it was really great to do staff training with the newly renovated SUB.
- Societies
 - Society Training
 - Will be running over the next three weeks.
 - Breakdowns of the times and the sessions, as well as a sign up form are on the DSU website.
 - There are 5 different sessions, but only two are mandatory, they are:
 - Risk Management – Mandatory for each society to send one person.
 - Treasurer Training – Faculty and Levy societies should send somebody, constituent societies are encouraged to attend as well as general interest societies.
 - Non-Mandatory:
 - How to use the App & Outreach to Members
 - Equitable and Accessible Society Events
 - Using Roberts Rules and how policies work
 - Society Review Committee
 - Has been meeting often throughout the Summer and will be meeting on a weekly basis going forward.
 - Lots of Ratifications going through these past couple weeks.
- Equity & Accessibility Office
 - Hired the two new staff members – Masuma Khan and Michael Murray.
 - They are now set up in the office and should be hitting the ground running this week.

- Looking to get the E&A Steering Committee together with representatives from different societies, and different equity groups on campus that will be decided through council.
- If you are interested in getting involved, please reach out!

COMMUNICATIONS

- DSU Newsletter
 - Will start this week! Let us know how it looks, what you'd like to see in it and what you'd like to know about the Union. This will be running every second week!
- Gazette
 - We also will talk about student issues, DSU events and more in the Gazette this year! Check us out in the print copies around campus.

OPERATIONS

- Wayfinding
 - The SUB will be getting some new signage over the next couple months.

ADVOCACY

- Sexual Assault and Harassment Phone Line
 - Did a lot of media interviews (10+) about the Sexual Assault and Harassment Phone Line and Sexual Assault on Campus.
 - Hoping to continue conversations about consent and rape culture on campus this year – look below for info about some planning sessions coming up!

PROGRAMMING & EVENTS

- Society and Volunteer Expo
 - Tuesday, September 20th, 11am-3pm on the Studley Quad.
 - Over 120 societies will have booths set up!
 - There will be over 70 local organizations with volunteer opportunities for students!
 - There will be performances, and CKDU will be playing music!
 - There will be food trucks parked right outside the Quad, and there will be free sno-cones, popcorn and cotton candy!
- Campus Meeting on Sexualized Violence Initiatives on Campus
 - Tuesday, September 27th - 5-7:30pm, Room 303 of the SUB.
 - The first meeting we will be talking about the history of the DSU Phone Line, as well as other current and past services around sexualized violence on campus.
 - Thursday, October 6th, 5-7:30pm, Room 303 of the SUB.
 - We will debrief on the first meeting and make plans for moving forward with what sexualized violence initiatives on campus can and should look like.
- Orientation Week 2016!

- Was an absolute blast – shout out to VPSL Kelsey and the Orientation Week Coordinator Katie, as well as staff, committee, leaders and first years.
- My highlights included serving sno-cones at the field party, watching people rock climb on the quad, letting first year students know how they can get involved on campus at Dal 101, and hanging out and eating food at the Cultural Café.

Vice President (Student Life)

Kelsey Keddy

vpstudentlife@dsu.ca
SUB 280

Council Report – For Council meeting August 17th, 2016
Monday, August 15th, 2016- Sunday, September 11th, 2016

Internal

Sponsorship

- Worked with sponsorship coordinator for Orientation Week to ensure successful acquisition of sponsors, as well as drawing up contracts, and identifying pack materials.
- Following up with sponsors to ensure timely payment. Also sending thank you card to our sponsors as a way to show our appreciation for their contributions, especially throughout orientation.

Communications

- Since pushing content on our Instagram, we have gained 300 followers and I'm posting nearly daily to help keep students up to date with what we are doing as execs and all of the programming and news that the union has to share.
- Working to increase the efficiency of the App through the addition of a keyword search to the map, in partnership with the Gazette.

Grawood

- IT'S OPEN!!! Check out the new space and the improved menu! Personally, I would recommend the Club Sandwich on a Panini.

Phone line

- The Phone line will run for the first two months of school from noon until midnight.
- Performed an interview in French discussing the continuance of the phone line.

Part Time Staff Training Day

- Met all of our amazing new staff and got to know some of them through ice breakers and fun facts about olives.

University Relations

Back to School Campaign

- Working with Dal News to develop content for back to school profiles as well as content for new stories.

Wellness Room

- September schedule has been released and was distributed in the O-Week kits given to first years.
- Four free yoga classes are being offered as well as hours with a social worker, wellness Wednesdays (SHP), and First aid training.

Society and Volunteer Expo

- September 20, 2016 on the Quad, 11am-3pm
- .Working with VPI, Rhiannon, and DSU Member Services Co-ordinator, Holly, and CLDC (Center for Leadership and Career Development) to recruit societies and volunteer organizations off campus.
- This event will feature a food truck fair, popcorn, sno-cones and cotton candy.

Community Day

- Community was held on Saturday. September 10th, 2016.
- Over 100 students were provided the opportunity to engage with their community through volunteer placements for the day with 14 organizations including Habitat for Humanity, YWCA, Shelter Nova Scotia and more.
- Along with a fantastic student, I helped emcee the event and was also a team lead that went to Hand in Hand where myself and the other students did some gardening, packed serenity bags, sorted donated goods and tidy around the thrift shop.
- A final organizing meeting will be help to discuss feedback and action plans for next year.

Induction

- Attended and gave speech at Halifax induction. Over 1100 student took part in the ceremony.
- Attended Truro Induction where Kathleen and I helped to welcome all the new aggies!

Advocacy

First Year Modules

- Assisted in developing content for first year student surrounding consent, sexualized violence, alcohol, wellness, community and inclusion
- All modules were released and participation is higher than last year.
- Four O-Week passes were given as incentives for participation.

University Alcohol Policy Committee

- Alcohol Harm Reduction (Sub Committee)
- Feed back drafted for Keep It Social campaign presented by NSLC to provincial institutions, second round.
- Provided written feedback for policy and lobbied for ability to display Grawood menu and Prices.

Programming & Events

Orientation Week

- Took place: September 3rd-9th, 2016.
- Two (and a half) successful days of training were held for leaders focussing on inclusion, team building, bystander intervention and consent. This training is crucial for O-Week but also helps to build the capacity for our student leaders through their entire university life.
- Partnership with the International Center to provide a picnic style BBQ to students before closing ceremonies and to grant access to the final event to all international students who attend the BBQ was successful and featured an ice cream dessert.
- The bursary program provided financial aid to approximately 100 students.
- Orientation committee was AMAZING. Shout out to all members for their extremely hard work.
- Over \$10,000 was raised for Cystic Fibrosis Canada through shine day efforts.
- Extended O-Week evening programming was very successful in recruiting sexton and off-campus students as well as brining students together from many different residences.
- Highlight events include field parts, Dalympics, Rugby game and the very popular karaoke night, with an opera performance!
- If you want to re-live the fun or see for yourself, all of the photos have been posted to the DSU Facebook page.

Dalfest

- September 16th-17th in the Quad
- Community Notice has been delivered to nearby neighbours to provide warning of potential noise levels
- Acts released: TJ King, Jess Moskaluke, Valley, Repartee, Dear Rouge, and Tyler Shaw. See last page for poster!
- Event will feature a beer garden (19+) but is otherwise all ages!

Athletics and Recreations

Varsity

- Upcoming meeting with Angela Barrett-Jewers to further discuss involvement of DSU in Varsity programming.

THE DALHOUSIE STUDENT UNION PRESENTS:

DALFEST 2016

FRIDAY
SEPT
16

Jess Moskaluke

8:15PM

TJ KING 7PM

SATURDAY
SEPT
17

TYLER SHAW 9:30PM

Dear Rouge 8PM

REPARTEE 6:45PM **VALLEY** 5:45PM



STUDLEY QUAD
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OPEN TO DAL STUDENTS,
FACULTY AND STAFF

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BreathingSpace
YOGA & WELLNESS CENTRE

Dalhousie Student Union - Council Meeting

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CALL TO ORDER at 6:06 PM

Appointment for an Interim Chair

MOTION 2016-09-28: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Chris be the interim chair for the evening.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Tremblay

MOTION 2016-09-28: A01 CARRIED

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Mitchell Brown | Chair |
| Julia Guk | Recording Secretary (non-voting) |
| Kathleen Reid | President |
| Amina Abawajy | Vice-President (Academic and External) |
| Dylan Ryan | Vice-President (Finance and Operations) |
| Kelsey Keddy | Vice-President (Student Life) |
| Rhiannon Makohoniuk | Vice-President (Internal) |
| Vacant | BOG Representative |
| Kati George-Jim | BOG Representative |
| Cassie Martel | Agricultural Representative |
| Vacant | Architecture and Planning Representative |
| Alex Hughes | Arts and Social Science Representative |
| Raphael Bronfman-Nadas | Computer Science Representative |
| Ivit Yakub | Dentistry Representative |
| Daniel Tremblay | Engineering Representative |
| Moe Kabbara | Graduate Studies Representative |
| Vacant | Health Professions Representative |
| Mike Coady | Law Representative |
| Mackenzie Goodwin | Management Representative |
| Mary Purcell | Medicine Representative |
| Shauna Bulman | Science Representative |
| Aaron Prosper | Aboriginal Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | Black Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | International Students' Community Representative |
| Bart Soroka | Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | Students with Disabilities Representative |

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Vacant
Katie Douglas

Residence Representative
Women's Community Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Aaron Sheppard – Architecture and Planning
Jessica Dempsey – LGBTQ Rep

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2016-09-28: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Tremblay

MOTION 2016-09-28: A02 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-09-28: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT agenda be amended to add a presentation by South House.

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** Reid

MOTION 2016-09-28: A03 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2016-09-28: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the September 14, 2016 Council meeting be accepted as circulated.

Moved: Bulman **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-09-28: M01 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

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Tremblay will need to leave the meeting at 6:45 pm.

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Auditor

Nominations: Price Waterhouse-Cooper (by Dylan Ryan)

MOTION 2016-09-28: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Price Waterhouse-Cooper be appointed as the auditor.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Reid

MOTION 2016-09-28: N01 CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. Dalhousie Student Wellness Strategic Progress

MOTION 2016-09-28: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Dalhousie Student Wellness Strategic Progress presentation have five more minutes of presentation time.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Douglas

MOTION 2016-09-28: N02 CARRIED

Verity Turpin discussed the changes that have been made in past years, and provided the presentation as handouts to council.

B. DSU Executive Goals (2016/2017)

MOTION 2016-09-28: N03

The DSU Executive gave a presentation to council about their major goals for the year and have distributed summary reports to council.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the DSU Executive Goals presentation have three more minutes of presentation time.

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** Bulman

MOTION 2016-09-28: N03 CARRIED

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C. South House

South House gave a presentation of their concerns around the Voter Identification Policy that was drafted and council had a discussion surrounding these concerns.

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board of Governors Caucus

Reid said that at the last council meeting, Bart Soroka was hired to replace Anthony Saikali. She also said that they are currently in the middle of trying to figure out what they can and cannot share from the board level, in terms of in-camera items and documents. Kati George-Jim, Kathleen Reid, and Bart Soroka will be having regular meetings so if there are any folks who wish to come out to that meeting, Kathleen Reid will let councillors know when those meetings are happening.

B. Senate Caucus

Reid said that they are discussing the composition of Senate, which is attached to a policy where Senate needs to have a 66% majority faculty members is because the mission of Senate is for academic feedback to the university, as well as adding 22 student seats.

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. Policy Review

i. Voter Identification Policy

MOTION 2016-09-28: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to table the Voter Identification Policy until the groups meet with their constituencies.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-09-28: N05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend table the Voter Identification Policy indefinitely until the Policy Review Committee brings the policy to council.

Moved: Coady **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-09-28: N05 CARRIED

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9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Policy Review

i. Ethical Investment Policy

Ryan discussed the Ethical Investment Policy and handed out the policy and its description to councillors, and how to move forward with the policy including possibly the committee making its own guidelines.

B. Society Policy Amendment

MOTION 2016-09-28: N06

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Society Policy be amended to include:

d. Any Society with accounts payable to the Union of greater than 60 days will not be entitled to any society privileges as outlined in this policy, unless otherwise approved by Council.

e. For Faculty-Level and Levy Societies, any outstanding accounts payable will be removed from subsequent society levy cheque, unless otherwise approved by Council.

Moved: Ryan Seconded: Reid

MOTION 2016-09-28: N06 CARRIED

C. DAGS Funding Motion

MOTION 2016-09-28: N07

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council allow the Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students to receive their Summer 2016 and Fall 2016 funding to allow sufficient time to sign a debt repayment plan with the DSU.

Moved: Ryan Seconded: Kabbara

MOTION 2016-09-28: N07 CARRIED

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Reid gave an overview of her written report to Council.

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B. Vice-President (Internal)

Makohoniuk gave an overview of her written report to Council.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Ryan gave an overview of his written report to Council.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Abawajy gave an overview of her written report to Council.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Keddy gave an overview of her written report to Council.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2016-09-28: A05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Prosper

MOTION 2016-09-28: A05 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM

PRESIDENT KATHLEEN REID REPORT TO COUNCIL

September 14th, 2016 to September 28th, 2016

Contact at:

president@dsu.ca

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INTERNAL

Sexton Director Position

- We have officially hired a Sexton Director!

Policy and Research Coordinator Position

- We are currently hiring a new Policy and Research Coordinator, which is a full time position with the DSU. This position will be a support to council, as well as executives and staff for information on student issues in post secondary institutions, policy review and creation, ect.

Monthly Open Space Meetings

- Working with the General Manager to plan monthly open space sessions for our fulltime staff members. This is meant to be a space where we can gain feedback on our current projects and brainstorm new initiatives, as well as to distribute staff involvement.

EXTERNAL

Office Hours and Tabling

- Exec office hours are set:
 - President (Kathleen) Monday and Wednesday 11am to 1pm
 - VP Internal (Rhiannon) Wednesday 2pm to 4pm and Thursday 10am to 12pm
 - VP Finance and Operations (Dylan) Monday 10am to 1pm and Thursday 2pm to 4pm
 - VP Academic and External (Amina) Tuesday 11am to 2pm and Wednesday 2pm to 4pm
 - VP Student Life (Kelsey) Monday 9am to 11am and Thursday 8am to 10am
- If these times do not work for you, you can always reach out via email to set a meeting time!
- We have also set specific days to table with the DSU street team.

Convocation Ceremonies

- Signed up to represent students at several fall convocations.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

University Senate

- Attended the first Fall senate meeting (September 12th) As well as SLTC (senate learning and teaching committee) and SPGC (senate planning and governance committee)

PRESIDENT KATHLEEN REID REPORT TO COUNCIL

September 14th, 2016 to September 28th, 2016

- The re-composition of Senate process is taking longer than expected and has not yet been moved to Board of Governors for approval.
- Currently working with Amina (VP Academic and External) to ensure that there is still efficient student representation for the 2016/2017 year.

Student Services Meet Ups

- Continuing bi-weekly meetings with the Student Services team to connect on student issues, and important current points.

Ceremonial Mace Committee

- First fall meeting of the Ceremonial Mace Committee, a committee made to re-design and evaluate the process for a creation of a new university mace. Working on ways to get student input and more student involvement in the new design.

Strategic Priority 1.1 Project Team

- First fall meeting of the Strategic Priority 1.1 Team, a committee to evaluate and comment on retention strategies of the university, specifically for first year students.

Sexton Campus Renewal Project Development Committee

- Continuing meeting about the Development of Sexton campus, as renovations for several new buildings on Sexton begins.

OPERATIONS

Renovations

- Renovations to the SUB are officially completed!
- Stay tuned for the official opening ceremony of the new spaces of the SUB.

Grawood

- The Grawood is officially open for service. With extended hours and new programming we are hoping that the Grawood is more accessible to students than before.
- Please let me know if you have any feedback about the new space. We are looking for input about menu, space, accessibility ect.
- Currently looking to collaborate with the Grawood Manager on an official opening to go with the opening ceremonies of the SUB

SERVICES

DSU Phone Line

- The Phoneline is officially back in service for September and October of 2016.
- If you are interested in supporting the DSU in making this project continue, please reach out to Rhiannon (at vpi@dsu.ca) We will need student support!

Office of the Ombudsperson

**PRESIDENT
KATHLEEN REID
REPORT TO COUNCIL**

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- The hiring committee has held interviews and gone through the process for the first pool of candidates. Unfortunately we were unsuccessful in our search.
- We held our second round of interviews and are confident that we have found a successful person.
- We did consultations with each of the candidates with students and university stakeholders to ensure maximum feedback from student constituencies. (Students present included, VPI, VPAAE, a member from DSAS, and a member from the E&A office)
- The office of the ombuds will officially be hosted on the 4th floor of the SUB.

ADVOCACY

Tabling

- Amina, Dylan, Rhiannon, and myself have scheduled specific days to table with the DSU street team.
- Look out for Tuesday through Thursday on all different campuses and locations!

OTHER

Society & Volunteer Expo

- Huge congrats to Rhiannon and our Member services Coordinator for an awesome expo! There was huge society turn out and awesome community engagement! I volunteered at the Sno-Cone booth handing out DSU handbooks and answering questions about the union!

Society Policy Amendment

Whereas Society Policy was drafted and is amended by Council;

Whereas Council should have the discretion to make exceptions to rules in policy to allow for societies to operate;

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Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

September 14th, 2016 to September 28th, 2016

INTERNAL

Ethical Investment Policy:

-Drafted the Ethical Investment Policy with the Policy & Bylaw Review Committee. It aims to ensure that the DSU is investing our assets in ethical companies and not anywhere else. If anyone has any questions/concerns surrounding the policy please reach out!

DSUSO:

-Working closely with the DSUSO Coordinators and Board to support Green Week. Had an awesome time with pancake breakfast and hoping for big turnout for the rest of the week!

Treasurer Training:

-Another Treasurer Training is in the books. Have had a great turnout so far and am having a great time meeting all the folks managing student funds and to get them off on the right foot!

Any societies that haven't signed up can find the dates on <http://dsu.ca/societytraining> and more will be added soon!

Finance Commissioner:

-Looking to hire a Finance Commissioner for the remainder of the semester. This person/people will play a big role in helping to complete society audits and assist with the budget revision.

DAGS:

-Working to find a debt repayment plan that works for DAGS. Also working to make sure our staff are helping to support The Muse where they are able.

OPERATIONS

Food Service Plan:

-Continuing to examine potential food service models for services in the SUB. This has meant conducting lots of outreach to colleagues and professionals across Canada to try to bring a model that best fits the DSU to Council.

Renovations:

-Renos are done!! ...For the most part. Marco (our Contractor) will likely still be around for weeks to complete smaller details of the renos (such as landscaping). If

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

September 14th, 2016 to September 28th, 2016

you haven't had a chance, take some time to check out the new Atrium, Grawood and Loaded Ladle digs!

AGM:

-Getting prepped for the AGM (October 13th). I'll be bringing forward our audited financial statements as well as nominating our returning auditor. Please bring constituents, there will be food!

SERVICES

DSU Market:

-Working closely with the Market Operations Manager and Society Coordinator to ease transition as well as working on long term plan for the Market.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

DFA:

-Met with the DFA about senate composition. Had a great exchange and am looking forward to working much more closely with them on other issues such as the University budget.

Senate:

-Along with the rest of the Exec I met with Kevin Hewitt (Chair of Senate) to discuss the composition of Senate. We presented several alternatives and had lively discussion about the future composition.

PROGRAMMING & EVENTS

Society & Volunteer Expo:

The Society & Volunteer Expo went off without a hitch (on the rain date). Hats off to Rhiannon, Holly, Eric and the rest of the squad that made it such a success.

Vice President (Student Life)

Kelsey Keddy

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Council Report – For Council meeting August 17th, 2016
Monday, September 12th, 2016- Sunday, September 25th, 2016

Internal

Communications

- Continuing to push content on our social media (facebook, Instagram, twitter).
- On Instagram, we have gained 515 followers in the past month and are finding it to be a great way to engage and connect with members.

Student Life Committee

- First Meeting on Wednesday, Sept 21st!
- 13 members were in attendance with more signed up
- Planning for Respect week took place including a letter writing activities where students anonymously write a positive letter to someone on campus and get one in return.
- Planning for Homecoming and Halloween were also discussed in this meeting, along with initiative and ideas for promotions.
- This committee meets every other Wednesday (opposite to council) in Board Room A at 7pm... ALL ARE WELCOME!

University Relations

Manning Symposium on Innovation

- Sitting as a student representative on the organizing committee
- Over 100 students will be welcomed to attend a Tedx lecture series and workshop style event on Innovation (Breakfast included) on October 19th, in advance of the Manning Innovation Gala on Sept 20th. Select Students will also be able to attend the gala!
- I will let councillors know when registration.
-

Wellness Room

- Regular programming has been a hit and is continuing to be offered to students.
- Special programs and new regular programs are in the works including financial literacy and acupuncture.

Society and Volunteer Expo

- Event was held on Wednesday, Sept 21st, 2016. With hundreds of societies and volunteer organizations, thousands of opportunities were presented to students.
- Attendance was in the thousands (I would guess)

- I handed out hundreds of cones of cotton candy to eager students and for many this was a blast from the past and for others, a memorable first time treat!

Advocacy

University Alcohol Policy Committee

- Alcohol Harm Reduction (Sub Committee)
- Feed back drafted for Keep It Social campaign presented by NSLC to provincial institutions, second round.
- Provided written feedback for policy and lobbied for ability to display Grawood menu and Prices.

Programming & Events

Dalfest

- September 16th-17th in the Quad
- Talen line up included night one (Country) TJ King, Jess Moskaluke and night two (Indie/pop) Valley, Repartee, Dear Rouge and Tyler Shaw.
- Community Notice was sent out regarding noise and I have not received complaints from community members! (Wooo!)
- Attendance was great for both nights, despite the freezing temperatures on night one.
- Students seemed to be very into having two genres of music spread among the two nights
- Shout out to our sponsors: TD Bank, Hot Country 103.5, Live 105, Breathing Space Yoga

Street Team

- After numerous interviews, 2 events and volunteer focused street team members have been hired!
- Both have attending Student life committee meetings and have begun their regular tabling as well as other events related duties.

Athletics and Receptions

Varsity

- Upcoming meeting with Angela Barrett-Jewers to further discuss involvement of DSU in Varsity programming.

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CALL TO ORDER at 6:06 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Mitchell Brown | Chair |
| Julia Guk | Recording Secretary (non-voting) |
| Kathleen Reid | President |
| Amina Abawajy | Vice-President (Academic and External) |
| Dylan Ryan | Vice-President (Finance and Operations) |
| Kelsey Keddy | Vice-President (Student Life) |
| Rhiannon Makohoniuk | Vice-President (Internal) |
| Bart Soroka | BOG Representative |
| Kati George-Jim | BOG Representative |
| Cassie Martel | Agricultural Representative |
| Aaron Sheppard | Architecture and Planning Representative |
| Alex Hughes | Arts and Social Science Representative |
| Raphael Bronfman-Nadas | Computer Science Representative |
| Ivit Yakub | Dentistry Representative |
| Daniel Tremblay | Engineering Representative |
| Moe Kabbara | Graduate Studies Representative |
| Vacant | Health Professions Representative |
| Mike Coady | Law Representative |
| Mackenzie Goodwin | Management Representative |
| Mary Purcell | Medicine Representative |
| Shauna Bulman | Science Representative |
| Aaron Prosper | Aboriginal Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | Black Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | International Students' Community Representative |
| David De Cicco | Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | Students with Disabilities Representative |
| Vacant | Residence Representative |

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

Katie Douglas – Women's Community Representative

OTHERS PRESENT

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Reza Rahimi
David De Cicco

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2016-10-26: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Tremblay **Seconded:** Soroka

MOTION 2016-10-26: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-10-26: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Soroka

MOTION 2016-10-26: A02 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2016-10-26: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the October 12, 2016 Council meeting be accepted as circulated.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Abawayj

MOTION 2016-10-26: M01 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

Margo who was going to be ratified as Black Students Representative will be ratified at the next meeting.

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Council Members

i. LGBTQ Students Representative:

Nominations: by the LGBTQ community

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MOTION 2016-10-26: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT David De Cicco be appointed as the LGBTQ Representative on Council.

Moved: Bulman **Seconded:** Soroka

MOTION 2016-10-26: N01 CARRIED

ii. International Students Representative:

Nominations: by the International Student Community

MOTION 2016-10-26: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Reza Rahimi be appointed as the International Students Representative on Council.

Moved: Soroka **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-10-26: N02 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-10-26: N03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT ii,ii, and iii on the agenda (Black Students Representative, Architecture and Planning Representative, and Students in Residence Representative) be tabled until the next meeting.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Soroka

MOTION 2016-10-26: N03 CARRIED

B. Standing Committees

i. Executive Review Committee and Student Life Committee

MOTION 2016-10-26: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Reza Rahimi be appointed to the Executive Review Committee and David De Cicco be appointed to the Student Life Committee.

Moved: Keddy **Seconded:** Soroka

MOTION 2016-10-26: N04 CARRIED

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6. PRESENTATIONS

A. National Student Day of Action (VPAAE)

Abawayj discussed the goals of the National Student Day of Action that is happening on November 2nd, 2016 asking for solidarity from the council.

MOTION 2016-10-26: P01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council vote on the statement displayed on the screen (see below).

Moved: Coady **Seconded:** Tremblay

MOTION 2016-10-26: P01 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-10-26: P02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the DSU council stands in support and solidarity with the National Student Day of Action on November 2nd, 2016. As a council, we encourage students to attend the National Day of Action and Academic Amnesty is available for those who wish to take advantage of it. If students choose not to attend, we encourage them to show their support through whatever means are available.

Moved: Abawayj **Seconded:** Martel

MOTION 2016-10-26: P02 CARRIED

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board of Governors Caucus

Reid said that they had their first BOG meeting, and decided as a Student Caucus they would give out counts of the meetings to students. The meeting was short, with one motion up for decision, around the Sexton Campus Renewal Project, which was unanimously passed, with a presentation about Peter Nicholson about the future of Nova Scotia and recommendations to the NS legislature.

B. Senate Caucus

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Abawayj said they have a meeting scheduled for Friday. The Senate Meeting that passed saw some reports, including from Reid, and had presentations given on Inclusion and Realty and the motion around the Academic Amnesty motion. Reid said that Senate had great support for the DSU Sexual Assault and Harassment Phoneline.

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. Pharmacy Fee Increase

MOTION 2016-10-26: N04

Whereas the Dalhousie Student Pharmacy Society passed a motion at their 2016 Annual General Meeting to pose a referendum question to their members to increase their Faculty fee by \$3 per semester; and

Whereas Council has received a petition signed by more than five per cent of the members to whom the fee would apply; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following question be posed to students in the Faculty of Pharmacy during the 2017 Elections upon agreement of the Dalhousie Student Pharmacy Society:

Do you support increasing the fee for the Dalhousie Student Pharmacy Society from \$20.50 per semester to \$23.50 per semester to allow for an increase of \$6 per year in Canadian Association of Pharmacy Students and Interns (CAPSI) local funding?

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Makohoniuk

MOTION 2016-10-26: N04 CARRIED

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Amendment to Council Policy

Coady withdrew the policy to amend as it was already included.

B. Equity Motion

MOTION 2016-10-26: B01

Whereas the DSU Equity Policy states: Dalhousie Student Union is committed in all its operations to creating equitable and inclusive environments free from harassment and discrimination. Creating inclusive and positive environments is a collective responsibility of all members of the Dalhousie Student Union.

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Whereas the University Club on campus does not have wheelchair accessible entries, accessible bathrooms, and has inaccessible raised portions within.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the DSU executive will strive to obtain funding to make the University Club accessible to all members. Further, the DSU executive will provide council with updates on progress at every meeting until this issue is resolved. Until the University Club is accessible, the DSU executive should recommend that events presented to them should be held in a more accessible location.

Moved: Coady Seconded: Ryan

MOTION 2016-10-26: B02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the motion be amended to say that DSU executive will work together with the Equity and Accessibility Office to strive to obtain funding to make the University Club accessible to all members. Further, the DSU executive will provide council with updates on progress at every meeting until this issue is resolved. Until the University Club is accessible, the DSU executive should recommend that events presented to them should be held in a more accessible location.

Moved: George-Jim Seconded: Reid

MOTION 2016-10-26: B02 FAILED

MOTION 2016-10-26: B03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the motion be amended to say that DSU executive will strive to obtain funding to make the University Club physically accessible to members. Further, the DSU executive will provide council with updates on progress at every meeting until this issue is resolved. Until the University Club is accessible, the DSU executive should recommend that events presented to them should be held in a more accessible location.

Moved: Coady Seconded: Ryan

MOTION 2016-10-26: B03 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-10-26: B04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the motion be amended to say that DSU executive will strive to obtain funding to make the University Club physically accessible to members. Further, the DSU executive will provide council with updates on progress in the President's written report at every meeting until this issue is resolved. Until the University Club is accessible, the DSU executive should

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recommend that events presented to them should be held in a more accessible location.

Moved: Reid Seconded: Keddy

MOTION 2016-10-26: B04 CARRIED

MOTION 2016-10-26: B01 (as amended) CARRIED

C. Graduate Studies Motion

MOTION 2016-10-26: G01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council tables the following motion: the Dalhousie Student Union Council accepts the proposal of the Dalhousie Student Union to accept the Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students offer to repay their debt of \$49573.00 with interest free annual payments of no less than \$3967.49 per year for up to 10 years or until the amount repaid equals \$39674.90. At that time the remaining \$9898.10 shall be forgiven.

Moved: Soroka Seconded: Coady

MOTION 2016-10-26: G01 CARRIED

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Reid gave an overview of her written report to Council.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Makohoniuk gave an overview of her written report to Council.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Ryan gave an overview of his written report to Council.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Abawajy gave an overview of her written report to Council.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Keddy gave an overview of her written report to Council.

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11. NOTICES OF MOTION

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13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2016-10-26: A05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Kabbara

MOTION 2016-10-26: A05 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 PM

BOG STUDENT CAUCUS REPORT TO DSU COUNCIL

Wednesday October 26th

Kathleen Reid

Kati George-Jim

Bart Soroka

Summary of the Meeting:

We had our first BOG meeting of the year on Tuesday October 18th. We can report that it was fairly uneventful, with only one item up for decision.

Please see our notes below respective agenda items:

1. Approval of the Agenda
2. Consent Agenda
 - a. Minutes of Meeting June 28, 2016
 - b. Board Committee Appointments
3. Business Arising from the Minutes
4. Chair's Report
5. President's Report

NOTES: Dr. Florizone was not present at the board meeting so questions regarding his written report were fielded to other board members. We asked a question regarding the mention of the development of an overall Indigenous Strategy. Carolyn Waters (Vice Provost Academic) answered explaining they were in a consultation process with the Indigenous Advising Committee, and that we would receive updates accordingly.

6. Dalhousie Student Union President's Report

NOTES: Kathleen gave a report on what the DSU has been up to so far this term. I have attached it below.

7. Items for Decision:

- a. Sexton Campus Renewal Project "D" Building Envelope for Board 2 Approval

NOTES: Status of item – passed.

Motion: That the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Capital Projects and Facilities Committee, give Board 2 approval to proceed with the D building Exterior Envelope Project at a cost not to exceed \$6.3 Million.

This project purpose: to provide a reliable, cost effective and energy efficient building on the Sexton Campus and to improve the working, research and teaching environment for the tenants and users of the D Building through the renewal of the exterior walls and windows.

8. Items for Information

- a. The Importance of Research and Innovation to Nova Scotia's Future

NOTES: Peter Nicholson gave a presentation on the Development of Nova Scotia through innovation and entrepreneurship. The presentation highlighted the fact that productivity growth and innovation determining the success of NS. Nicholson focused on the need for talent development through investment. During the question period, Nicholson ensured us that FASS was just as important in this plan as sciences and technology development, as social innovation is equally important.

- b. Board Standing Committee Annual Reports
- 9. *In Camera Session*
 - a. In Camera Session Minutes – June 28th 2016
 - b. Chancellor Profile (Decision)
 - c. Board Roundtable
- 10. Adjournment

The next Board of Governors meeting is scheduled for November 22nd 2016, University Hall from 3:00pm to 6:00pm

Committee Membership:

Kathleen Reid: Academic & Student Affairs Committee

Kati George-Jim: Community Affairs Committee

Bart Soroka: Capitol Projects and Facilities Committee

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The Dalhousie Student Union acknowledges that Dalhousie University and the Dalhousie Student Union Building are located on traditional, unceded and unsurrendered Mi'kma'ki territory. The Dalhousie Student Union seeks to honour the relational treaty process in its programming, events, and meetings.

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1. ROLL CALL

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2016-10-26: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2016-10-26: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the 2016-08-17 Council meeting be accepted.

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Council Members

- i. LGBTQ Students Rep
- ii. Black Students Rep
- iii. International Students Rep
- iv. Architecture and Planning Rep
- v. Students in Residence Rep

B. Standing Committees

- i. Executive Review Committee (1 Councilor Seat)
- ii. Student Life Committee (1 Councilor Seat)

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. National Student Day of Action (VPAAE)

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board Caucus

B. Senate Caucus

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. Pharmacy Fee Increase

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- A. Amendment to Council Policy
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- C. Graduate Studies Motion

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- A. President Kathleen Reid
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PRESIDENT KATHLEEN REID REPORT TO COUNCIL

September 28th, 2016 to October 26th, 2016

Contact at:

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INTERNAL

Policy and Research Coordinator Position

- We officially have a new Policy and Research Coordinator: Mary Dan Johnston!
- Myself and General Manager (Craig Kennedy) are helping in orienting her with the office and the position, as well as constructing time line for policies that need to be completed.

DSU SUB Grand Opening

- Working with Staff members to plan the grand opening event of the SUB.

EXTERNAL

Office Hours and Tabling

- Exec office hours are set:
 - President (Kathleen) Monday and Wednesday 11am to 1pm
 - VP Internal (Rhiannon) Wednesday 2pm to 4pm and Thursday 10am to 12pm
 - VP Finance and Operations (Dylan) Monday 10am to 1pm and Thursday 2pm to 4pm
 - VP Academic and External (Amina) Tuesday 11am to 2pm and Wednesday 2pm to 4pm
 - VP Student Life (Kelsey) Monday 9am to 11am and Thursday 8am to 10am
- If these times do not work for you, you can always reach out via email to set a meeting time.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Board of Governors

- Attended the first Board of Governors meeting of the semester. See student BOG report for more information.

University Senate

- Attended senate meeting (September 26th) As well as SLTC (senate learning and teaching committee) and SPGC (senate planning and governance committee) and the SHDC (Senate Honorary Degrees Committee)
- The re-composition of Senate process is taking longer than expected and has not yet been moved to Board of Governors for approval. We are waiting on an update from the ad-hoc composition committee
- Currently working with Amina (VP Academic and External) to ensure that there is still efficient student representation for the 2016/2017 year.

PRESIDENT KATHLEEN REID REPORT TO COUNCIL

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Search Committee for the new University Registrar

- Had the first meeting for the new Search Committee for the University Registrar. The timeline is structured to have a new person in place by April 2017. We met to discuss the hiring process and review the terms of reference for the committee.

Student Services Meet Ups

- Continuing bi-weekly meetings with the Student Services team to connect on student issues, and important current points.

Strategic Priority 1.1 Project Team

- Meetings of the Strategic Priority 1.1 Team continue, a committee to evaluate and comment on retention strategies of the university, specifically for first year students.

16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence

- Attended the first committee for planning of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence. The committee is made up from community members and important societies on campus.

Sexton Campus Renewal Project Development Committee

- Continuing meeting about the Development of Sexton campus, as renovations for several new buildings on Sexton begins.

OPERATIONS

24-Hour Study Space

- Working with other Execs and Staff members to set up 24 Hours Study space in the SUB for the winter exam period.

ADVOCACY

Day of Action

- Working with our Communications person (Sarah) on outreach and promotion for the National Day of Action. Doing tabling, class talks, and actions to help get students out to fight the fees!
- I will be speaking at the Day of Action Lunch and Learn this Thursday!

Student Government Roundtable

- Attended a meeting with Minister Kelly Regan and student reps from all Nova Scotia Universities and Colleges. Amina and I presented on how the government can help us to make campuses safer. We also gave a report on our current priorities and how the government can contribute to Dalhousie Student initiatives.

Tabling

- Amina, Dylan, Rhiannon, and myself have scheduled specific days to table with the DSU street team.
- Look out for Tuesday through Thursday on all different campuses and locations!

**PRESIDENT
KATHLEEN REID
REPORT TO COUNCIL**

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SERVICES

Survivor Support Initiatives

- After two strategy sessions, working with Amina, Rhiannon and staff members on the next stages of planning for a sustainable source of funding for survivor support initiatives on campus.

OTHER

DASA Collaboration

- Heading to Truro on Friday to meet up with the DASA executive. We are hoping to find out where we can collaborate and work together on student issues and outreach.

Dalhousie Student Union Report to the Board of Governors

Kathleen Reid, President

president@dsu.ca

It has been a busy fall for us at the Dalhousie Student Union, with programming, advocacy, and much more! If board members have any inquiries about specific subjects or areas of work please do not hesitate to reach out to myself at the email listed above.

OPERATIONS

Renovations

The third and final stage of renovations to the Dalhousie Student Union Building is now complete. The new SUB is well equipped to serve students needs better than before, with more study space in our new atrium, more collaborative space in the new society hub, a more accessible and student friendly Grawood, and much more. Our team is currently working on the final aspects of the project, such as Wayfinding, external signage, landscaping, and furniture. We are also working on planning a grand opening. Please stay tuned for more information on the event.

PROGRAMMING & EVENTS

Orientation Week

O-Week was a huge success; run by VP Student Life (Kelsey Keddy) the Orientation Week Programming Coordinator (Katie MacLellan) the Orientation Sponsorship Coordinator (Mackenzie Arnold), the Planning Committee, and over 200 volunteer O-Week Leaders! Seven days of programming including field party, Dal 101, Dalypics, Rock the boat, and so much more. This year new programming including Cultural Café, and Sea the City (a scavenger hunt to help students get oriented with Halifax)

Dalfest

Dalfest was also a huge success! We had six acts over 2 nights, and tons of students come out to enjoy the festival. The variety of genres was successful in welcoming back all students who came out to the event.

Society and Volunteer Expo

The Society and Volunteer Expo was a hit! We had over 200 Dal Societies and Volunteer Organizations set up booths in the quad to give information and volunteer opportunities for students. There were free Sno-cone's, popcorn, and cotton candy, as well as some food trucks with a limited amount of discounted coupons to offset costs for students. Keep an eye out for the sexton society fair is coming up soon!

Green Week

The DSU Sustainability Office completed a full week of sustainability centered programming on campus. From September 25th to October 1st students could attend free events such as hikes, educational workshops, speakers, and much more.

Respect Week

The DSU ran and partnered on several initiatives throughout respect week, including a “Kindness Krew”; a group of students who went around attempting to spread respect and kindness.

Mental Health Awareness Week

The DSU partnered with Student Health Promotion to run an event to raise awareness about stigmas that, students with mental health problems deal with today.

SERVICES

Health Plan

This year, we have expanded the DSU Health Plan to include dental coverage for students. We have also worked to bring our coverage in line with other Atlantic Canadian schools. We are in the final negotiation stages in creating a MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) with the University on the management of the International Student Health Plan.

DSU Market

The DSU Market is our student run source for local and affordable produce on campus. This service now serves hundreds of students per week on Sexton and Studley Campus, including food box services, deliveries, and market stand sales.

Wellness Room

The SUB Wellness Room is a new space in the SUB open during regular building hours with weekly programming currently offered at free of charge! Offers a variety of programming including yoga, meditation, peer-to-peer mental health, and much more. The space is run by DSU VP Student Life (Kelsey Keddy) with collaboration between DSU, health services, student health promotions, and other student groups.

DSU Equity and Accessibility Office

We have completed the hiring process for the Equity & Accessibility Office. There are two new staff people now – Masuma Khan, the Campaigns and Outreach Coordinator, and Michael Murray, the Research, Training and Campus Relations Coordinator. They have been busy at work since the end of August to run campaigns, and tackle issues of accessibility and equity on campus.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Collaboration with Student Services team

We have set up bi-weekly lunch meetings with the Vice Provost Student Affairs, Arig al Shaibah and her team. These are opportunities for us to connect on ongoing projects, updates, and student issues. We also have set up monthly breakfasts with the President and his provost team.

Ombudsperson Person

Collaborating with Arig al Shaibah, Vice-Provost Student Affairs, on the composition of the Ombudsperson steering committee. We have completed the hiring process successfully and are on track to have the ombudsperson in office in November.

ADVOCACY

DSU Sexual Assault and Harassment Phone Line

The Phone Line is currently running from September 3rd until November 3rd from 12(noon) until 12(midnight). Students are still able to call into this peer support, non-judgemental service. We are currently in the process of evaluating options for moving forward with Survivor Support Initiatives on campus, and have been holding strategy sessions with students throughout the month of October.

National Student Day of Action

Dalhousie students are joining students from across the country in taking to the streets on November 2nd to demand accessible post-secondary education for all. We're demanding from our provincial and federal government to: eliminate tuition fees, grants not loans, increase government funding, better support for Indigenous learners, and safer campuses. We'll be hosting a feeder rally here on campus, before marching to Victoria Park where we will be joined with students from other Universities and Colleges across Halifax, and then marching to Province House.

External Action Committee

The External Action Committee meets every two weeks (or every week around major actions) to discuss various student issues. This semester, we have focused on making sure students are aware about municipal issues as well as gearing up for the National Student Day of Action. We will also be looking to create a Racialized and Indigenous Students Collective as well as starting the process to expand all of our Student Issues Campaigns.

Municipal Elections

Dalhousie Student Union partnered with the Canadian Federation of Students to bring the Generation Vote Campaign which highlights 5 issues that are important to students: affordable housing, arts and culture, fair wages, food security, and public transportation. We engaged with students on all Halifax campuses through tabling and social media. We also hosted a Candidates Fair and Mayoral Debate on September 28th in the Student Union Building to highlight student's participation in the election, and candidate's views on student issues.



VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC & EXTERNAL

Report to DSU Council for Wednesday October 26th, 2016

Amina Abawajy – vpae@dsu.ca

Office Hours: Tuesday 11am-2pm and Wednesday 2pm-4pm

INTERNAL

- Executive meetings twice a week
- Weekly meetings with Communications and Outreach Coordinator, Sarah, and Graphic Designer and Campaigns Manager, Emily (and now transitioning into Jonathan).
- Regular meetings with Masuma and Micheal from the Equity and Accessibility Office
- Completed the hiring process for a new Policy and Research Coordinator.
- Met multiple times with the phone line working group to prepare for the Strategy Session on Survivor Support on Campus.
- On September 28th all the executive participated in a staff Open Space led by Kathleen and our General Manager, Craig. The open space was open to full-time and part-time staff and discussions included: the grand opening of the SUB, survivor support on campus, and better communication tools and strategies.
- Attended the DAGS AGM on October 3rd.
- We held our Annual General Meeting on October 13th but was unable to reach quorum. We went ahead with presentations of financial statements, by Dylan, survivor support on campus, Rhiannon and I, and general updates from the executives.
- On October 12, Sarah, Communications and Outreach Coordinator and myself met with Dalhousie Agriculture Student Association President to discuss how to best engage Agriculture students in the National Day of Action.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Senate

- Attended Senate Meeting on September 26 along with the majority of the Interim Senate Caucus.
- Attended Senate Planning and Governance Committee Meeting on October 19th with Kathleen. I presented a motion for academic amnesty on the National Student Day of Action which will be presented to Senate on October 24th.

Other

- Attended convocation as part of the Academic Procession on October 5th.



VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC & EXTERNAL

- Ratification meeting with Bob, Discipline and Appeals Manager, and Katherine, Senate Vice Chair (Student Affairs), on October 11th to ratify Academic Integrity cases.

ADVOCACY

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- On September 29, we joined students across the HRM in a regional banner drop at the ferry terminal (Halifax-side). We also handed out materials to passerbys and media was onsite.
- We collaborated with the Canadian Federation of Students to host Consent Culture Forum which took place in the SUB on October 1st and 2nd. It brought together 100 students from across the province to discuss a provincial vision for combatting rape culture on our campuses.
- External Action Committee meetings are now happening weekly every Thursday 4-5pm in anticipation of the National Day of Action. The committee has been brainstorming, planning, and executing lead up actions (see upcoming section below).
- We've been meeting with students across the region who are participating in the National Day of Action every Monday to provide updates on what our individual campuses are doing and to collaborate on regional actions.
- We held two Strategy Sessions for Survivor Support on September 27th and October 6th.
- We participated in a chalking action on October 13th with other universities in the province. We chalked messages on accessible postsecondary education all around Province House right before the thrown's speech.
- Met with students and senators interested in creating a mandatory Indigenous class requirement. I reached out to students in the Manitoba Students Union who were integral in making that a reality at their university. Next steps include creating a committee, reaching out for endorsements, and bringing our recommendations to Senate.
- Tabling every Thursday alternating throughout the campuses.
- Noodles at Noon took place on October 19 which happened on both Studley and Sexton Campus as well as at Kings. We gave out hundreds of noodles to highlight the burden of tuition fee costs



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and how it contributes to student food insecurity as well as letting students know about the upcoming National Day of Action. Media was present - check out this article in the Metro:

<http://www.metronews.ca/news/halifax/2016/10/19/free-noodles-at-noon-draws-attention-to-student-debt.html>

- Dalhousie Student Union, along with other provincial advocacy bodies, met on October 18th with government officials to advocate on students behalf. We voiced the need to remove barriers for accessing postsecondary education, the need for better support on campus, and ended with a presentation on the role of government in ensuring safer campuses.
- Dalhousie students are joining students from across the country in taking to the streets on November 2nd to demand accessible post-secondary education for all. We're demanding from our provincial and federal government to: eliminate tuition fees, grants not loans, increase government funding, better support for Indigenous learners, and safer campuses. We'll be hosting a feeder rally here on campus, before marching to Victoria Park where we will be joined with students from other Universities and Colleges across Halifax, and then marching to Province House. If you believe in free education for all, join us on November 2nd and make your voice heard!

SERVICES

DSAS

- Volunteer training on October 1st and 2nd was successful with training 50 volunteers - the largest training in DSAS history.
- DSAS is experiencing difficulties with the budget because the budget we inherited did not take into account the added cost of expanding DSAS's mandate. Dylan and I are working closely with Kym, DSAS Executive Director, to find ways to alleviate some of those difficulties and will be meeting with Kym about next steps.

UPCOMING

- Chalking campuses on October 24 and 31 11am-2pm
- Regional Planning Meeting October 24 6-7:30pm
- Material Making and Another Noodle Action on October 25th on Sexton 11am-2pm
- Tabling, chalking, and material making in Truro October 26 11am-4:30pm
- Tuition Trivia October 26 7-9pm in the Grawood
- Fight the Fees: Lunch and Learn October 27th from 1-2pm in the Atrium



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- No More Tuition - Hike October 28 at 3:20pm (also a spooky theme + candy)
- Tuition Fees are Spooky Open Mic October 28 7pm-12am in the Grawood
- #ALLOUT Hype Day (Halloween Edition) October 31 11am-4pm
- Pickets and Pizza November 1st
- ALL OUT NOVEMBER 2ND!!!!

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

October 12, 2016 to October 26th, 2016

INTERNAL

Commissioners:

-Hired two finance commissioners for the remainder of the semester. One will be assisting with the society audits, the other will play a big role in helping with the budget revision.

Society audits:

-Completing the many society audits and getting funding out to the audited societies asap.

Budget revision:

-Beginning the budget revision process this week. Will be working very closely with all of our department heads to ensure their budgets are completed on time.

Treasurer training:

-Continuing treasurer training sessions until the end of this week. If your treasurer needs training they can sign up at dsu.ca/societytraining.

Reno wrap-up:

-Working with the University to wrap up the reno budget as the project finishes.

OPERATIONS

Food service plan:

-Continuing to examine potential food service models for services in the SUB. We're now in talks with the food service design consultants at Kaizen - who previously designed our self-op model. They'll be critical to providing experience and knowledge having guided many organizations through this process, they'll also be very helpful to provide their negotiating abilities.

DSU Market:

-Working with the Market Operations Manager to plan and manage growth of the market including looking at space allocation opportunities, budgeting and staffing.

The Muse:

-Working with folks from DAGS and the University to oversee the operation of the new Muse.

SERVICES

Health Plan:

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

October 12, 2016 to October 26th, 2016

-Meeting with the University and our health plan provider this week to examine the usage and provision of the international health plan.

Phoneline:

-Working with exec and staff to plan for wrap-up of the phoneline for the fall. Looking at other options to provide survivor support through the Fall and the possible return of the phoneline in the winter.

PROGRAMMING & EVENTS

Outreach:

-Had a great time making noodles for students on Sexton last week. Excited for events this week that will lead up to the November 2nd protest!

Vice President (Internal)

Rhiannon Makohoniuk

Report to Council

Monday, October 10th – Sunday, October 23rd

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INTERNAL

- Societies
 - Ongoing ratifications – there are now 238 ratified societies!
 - Meetings with the Society Review Committee.
- AGM
 - The AGM was two weeks ago, but unfortunately we didn't meet quorum. The Executive did give two presentations – one about the Sexual Assault and Harassment Phone Line (which garnered a lot of discussion among students), and a report of what the executives have been up to for the past ~6 months.
- Policy & Research Coordinator
 - We hired a new staff member! Our new Policy & Research Coordinator will have started on Monday morning!
- Communications
 - Meetings with the communications team, and our new interim Graphic Designer, to lay out the next Gazette and DSU Dispatches.
 - Lots of Tabling
 - Gave out free noodles on Sexton Campus and talked to students about the upcoming Day of Action and the rising costs of tuition fees.
 - November 2nd~ Day of Action!

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

- University Sexual Assault Policy Committee
 - This committee will convene soon to talk about implementing a Sexual Assault Policy at Dalhousie. If you want to chat about this or have any ideas, comments or concerns, please send them my way or drop by my office to chat!
- Met with President Florizone's Senior Administration Team.
- Met with the new Student Health Outreach Nurse about how to best get into contact with an inform students of what goes on at Dal Health, and through Student Wellness.
- Meetings with Residence Life to talk about damages in Residence.
- Went to the Fred Fountain portrait unveiling.

SERVICES

- Sexual Assault and Harassment Phone Line
 - The Phone Line ends on November 3rd, so we are in the process of wrapping up that initiative and looking forward to how the DSU will continue to support survivors of sexual and gender based violence on campus.

PROGRAMMING AND EVENTS

- Sexton Society Fair!
 - The Sexton Society Fair will take place on Thursday, November 3rd from 11am to 2pm. We will be set up in the Sexton Alumni Lounge with a bunch of societies and there will be free popcorn and snocones. Not too late to register your society!
- Corn Maze & Bonfire
 - Next Saturday you can bus down to Truro and have dinner on campus, visit the corn maze, and attend a bonfire. The event costs 25\$.
- Transgender Day of Remembrance (TDoR)
 - Attended a meeting put on by the Equity & Accessibility Office where we talked about what the DSU would do for TDoR. There will be another meeting coming up within the next week or two – please attend if you have questions, comments, concerns, or want to get involved in planning or hosting events and outreach for TDoR.
 - *TDoR is November 20th, and is a day to memorialize transgender and gender non-conforming people who have been killed within the past year due to some combination of violence and transphobia.
- Indigenous Allyship Workshop
 - The Equity & Accessibility Office is putting on a workshop on Indigenous Allyship on Thursday, October 27th at 6pm.
 - "How can you be an ally to Indigenous folks? It's time to learn about the history around treaties and what our roles as allies is to the Indigenous peoples of this land. How can we practice ally ship in our day to day? Come to this workshop to learn how!"

Vice President (Student Life)

Kelsey Keddy

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Council Report – For Council meeting October 26th, 2016
Monday, September 26th, 2016- Sunday, October 23rd, 2016

Internal

Communications

- Continuing to push content on our social media (facebook, Instagram, twitter).
- On Instagram we reached 2000 followers! Woohoo!

Student Life Committee

- Planning for Halloween events underway with the committee including a social media Halloween contest and trick or treating in the SUB.
- 13 members were in attendance with more signed up
- Respect week took place with volunteers participating in a number of organized events including dishing out compliments during Loaded Ladle hours, a positive letter writing exchange to have it's second half during the fall exam period, and kindness krew performing random acts of kindness.
- This committee meets every other Wednesday (opposite to council) in Board Room A at 7pm... ALL ARE WELCOME!

University Relations

Manning Symposium on Innovation

- Sat as a student representative on the organizing committee
- Event was held on October 19th where students met with innovation leaders in a Tedx style lecture series along with a breakout session of "Speed Innovating" where students interacted with the award winners in a speed dating set up with rotations.
- Attended the Manning Awards Innovation Gala on Sept 20th, along with nearly 50 students.

Bi-Weekly University Meetings

- Continuing bi-weekly meetings with Verity Turpin, Executive Director of Student Wellness and Chauncey Kennedy, Executive Director of Student Life
- Bi-weekly lunches with the other members of the executive and the administration's student services team.

DALead

- Sitting as an organizing member of the DALead committee to being planning the leadership conference to be held in January of 2017.
- This conference is planned in conjunction with the CLDC and many students representatives.

Fred Fountain Portrait Unveiling

- Attended the portrait unveiling for Dal's previous chancellor, Fred Fountain.

Advocacy

University Alcohol Policy Committee

- Alcohol Harm Reduction (Sub Committee)
- Feed back drafted for Keep It Social campaign presented by NSLC to provincial institutions, second round.
- Provided written feedback for policy and lobbied for ability to display Grawood menu and Prices.

All Out on November 2nd

- Students will be rallying to make demands to the provincial government.
- Meeting in front of the Killam at 11:30am on November 2nd, 2016.

Programming & Events

Street Team

- After numerous interviews, 2 events and volunteer focused street team members have been hired!
- Both have attending Student life committee meetings and have begun their regular tabling as well as other events related duties.

Homecoming

- Hosted a homecoming after party in the Garwood for students and alumni which included a local cover band.
- Students who attended either the football or hockey game were given free admission to the event.

Trip to Truro!

- Planning a collaborative event with Dal After Dark and DASA to take place on October 29th which will see the connection of both Halifax and Truro students.
- The event features dinner in the residence meal hall, the haunted corn maze, and a joint bonfire on the AC.

Wellness Room

- Regular programming has been a hit and is continuing to be offered to students.
- Special programs and new regular programs are in the works including financial literacy and acupuncture.

Trick or Eat

- Annual fundraiser for Feed Nova Scotia will take place again this year on Halloween night.
- Planned with support from Dal after Dark.

Athletics and Recreations

Varsity

- Promoted homecoming games through social media and use of ticket system for admission to the after party.

Dalhousie Student Union - Council Meeting

Nov 16, 2016; 6:00pm – Council Chambers (224), Student Union Building

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Dalhousie Student Union - Council Meeting

Nov 16, 2016; 6:00pm – Council Chambers (224), Student Union Building

1. ROLL CALL

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2016-11-16: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2016-11-16: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the 2016-08-17 Council meeting be accepted.

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Council Members

- i. Black Students Rep
- ii. Students in Residence Rep

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. OMBUDSPERSON Introduction

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board Caucus

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**PRESIDENT
KATHLEEN REID
REPORT TO COUNCIL**

October 26th, 2016 to November 16th, 2016

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INTERNAL

Monthly Staff Open Space

- Ran the second open space for the full time staff. Open space is a chance for staff members to collaborate on topics and projects they may not normally have input on because of their department. This is meant to give staff an opportunity to collaborate, and connect on Executive initiatives on a regular basis.
- This month we talked about self-care in the work place, 24 hour study space, and exam time initiatives.

DSU SUB Grand Opening

- Working with Staff members to plan the grand opening event of the SUB. We have decided on January for a date.
- Consulting with DISC on an indigenous land recognition piece to have unveiled at the opening ceremony.

DSU Sexton Director

- Have been working with Joshua (DSU Sexton Director) to reinstate the Sexton Advisory Committee.

EXTERNAL

Office Hours and Tabling

- Exec office hours are set:
 - President (Kathleen) Monday and Wednesday 11am to 1pm
 - VP Internal (Rhiannon) Wednesday 2pm to 4pm and Thursday 10am to 12pm
 - VP Finance and Operations (Dylan) Monday 10am to 1pm and Thursday 2pm to 4pm
 - VP Academic and External (Amina) Tuesday 11am to 2pm and Wednesday 2pm to 4pm
 - VP Student Life (Kelsey) Monday 9am to 11am and Thursday 8am to 10am
- If these times do not work for you, you can always reach out via email to set a meeting time.

Sexual Violence Prevention Committee w/ the Minister of Labour and Advanced Education

- Have now been to two committee meetings of the SVPC, made up of key government players, university representatives from SPEI's across NS, and three students representatives (myself, CFS, and SNS)

PRESIDENT KATHLEEN REID REPORT TO COUNCIL

October 26th, 2016 to November 16th, 2016

- The committee purpose is to create a report with recommendations to the province on an official sexual violence prevention strategy.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Board of Governors

- The next Board of Governors meeting is on Tuesday November 22nd
- Worked with the other student senators to create the DSU President's report to the board.

University Senate

- Attended senate meeting (October 24th) As well as and SPGC (senate planning and governance committee) and the SHDC (Senate Honorary Degrees Committee)
- Passed the DSU motion to have academic amnesty for the Day of Action on November 2nd.
- The re-composition of Senate process is taking longer than expected and has not yet been moved to Board of Governors for approval. Meeting with Kevin (senate Chair) and Arig, VP Student Affairs, to talk further about the progress of the composition.
- Currently working with Amina (VP Academic and External) to ensure that there is still efficient student representation for the 2016/2017 year.

Dalhousie Census Video Participation

- Played a small role in the promotion video for the Dalhousie Census. The Census is used to identify the diversity at our institution to inform administration where our resources should be put into specific projects and initiatives.

Search Committee for the new University Registrar

- Had the first meeting for the new Search Committee for the University Registrar. The timeline is structured to have a new person in place by April 2017. We met to discuss the hiring process and review the terms of reference for the committee.

Student Services Meet Ups

- Continuing bi-weekly meetings with the Student Services team to connect on student issues, and important current points.

Senior Administration Meetings

- Had the DSU Exec/ Senior Admin monthly meeting.
- Talked about current student issues, Day of Action, University Accessibility, Collaboration, Indigenous initiatives, and other things.

16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence

- Attended the first committee for planning of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence. The committee is made up from community members and important societies on campus.

PRESIDENT KATHLEEN REID REPORT TO COUNCIL

October 26th, 2016 to November 16th, 2016

- The DSU is planning on hosting a Survivor Support Workshop as a part of the programming for the 16 days.

Sexton Campus Renewal Project Development Committee

- Continuing meeting about the Development of Sexton campus, as renovations for several new buildings on Sexton begins.

OPERATIONS

24-Hour Study Space

- Working with other Execs and Staff members to set up 24 Hours Study space in the SUB for the winter exam period. There will be snacks available, general study space, as well as a quiet room.
- 24-hour study space will be open from December 7th to December 13th

ADVOCACY

Day of Action

- Day of action happened! We had a great turn out and had a lot of inspiring speakers! Students from all across Halifax turned up to demand accessible education!

Tabling

- Amina, Dylan, Rhiannon, and myself have scheduled specific days to table with the DSU street team. I will be tabling at sexton this Wednesday!
- Look out for Tuesday through Thursday on all different campuses and locations!

University Club Accessibility Project

- Met with Dr. Florizone on the issue, to let him know about the motion passed at council. He expressed genuine interest in getting involved in the process. We will be meeting with VP Advancement (Peter Fardy) to talk about a possible fundraising approach for this project.
- Set up a DSU committee to work on this issue, consisting of the E&A office, General Manager (Craig Kennedy), and some executives.

SERVICES

Survivor Support Initiatives

- After two strategy sessions, working with Amina, Rhiannon and staff members on the next stages of planning for a sustainable source of funding for survivor support initiatives on campus.
- Moving forward we will be hiring a student commissioner to help set up and coordinate active listening sessions for students who need support as a temporary replacement for the Phonenumber.



VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC & EXTERNAL

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INTERNAL

- Executive meetings twice a week
- Weekly meetings with Communications and Outreach Coordinator, Sarah, and Interim Graphic Designer and Campaigns Manager, Jonathan.
- Regular meetings with Masuma and Micheal from the Equity and Accessibility Office
- On November 9th all the executives participated in an Open Space led by Kathleen and our General Manager, Craig. These monthly sessions are open to full-time and part-time staff.
- Carshare meeting

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Senate

- Attended Senate Meeting on October 24 along with the majority of the Interim Senate Caucus.

Other

- Ratification meeting with Bob, Discipline and Appeals Manager, and Katherine, Senate Vice Chair (Student Affairs), on October 25th to ratify Academic Integrity cases.

ADVOCACY

- Day of Action - Lead up actions:
 - October 24: Video release, chalking on campuses, and Regional Planning Meeting
 - October 25: Tabling, material making, and chalking on Sexton campus
 - October 26: Tabling and material making in Truro
 - October 27: Lunch and Learn and Open Mic (cancelled due to evacuation)
 - October 28: Tabling in Truro and Tuition Hike (cancelled due to rain)
 - October 31: Banner Drops on all campuses and #AllOut Hype Day: Halloween Edition
 - November 1: Pickets and Pizza



VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC & EXTERNAL

- November 2: DAY OF ACTION!!!!
- Phonenumber:
 - Ended on November 3
 - Media around the ending/FOIPOP

SERVICES

DSAS

- Preparing for academic integrity workshops for international students

UPCOMING

- DSAS bake sale on November 15 Weldon Law Building, all proceeds go to Books Beyond Bars.

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

October 26th, 2016 to November 16th, 2016

INTERNAL

Budget revision:

-Working with all department heads (especially Controller and GM) to prepare the revised budget. It will be circulated by Wednesday November 23rd. Please take the time to review and reach out with any questions as it will be voted on at our meeting on December 7th.

Society audits:

-After having some hiccups with commissioner availabilities - all the audits that have been submitted are now ready to be returned. I'll be working this week to reach out to any societies that have not yet submitted.

Muse Committee:

-Attended another meeting for the Muse Committee. Things appear to be chugging along and some staffing changes are expected to bring new enthusiasm.

DASA:

-Had a great time tabling at the Agricultural Campus. Also had a very informative meeting with the DASA exec. Excited to help them out where we can and to work more closely with them.

OPERATIONS

Food Service Plan:

-Continuing to examine potential food service models for services in the SUB. This has meant conducting lots of outreach to colleagues and professionals across Canada to try to bring a model that best fits the DSU to Council.

Renovations:

-In the final stage of renovations. Currently negotiating with contractor on work that has taken or needs to take place and coming to understandings about final contract value.

Election Platform:

-Looking into possible election platform options for future DSU elections after cutting ties with Tiger Society earlier this year. Currently conducting outreach to colleagues across the country.

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

October 26th, 2016 to November 16th, 2016

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Accessibility & International Emergency funding:

-Working with folks from the University to get accessibility funding rounds up and running as well as beginning to distribute international student emergency bursaries.

President's Advisory Council on Sustainability:

-Working with the folks from DSUSO to lobby the Committee on sustainability issues that students are concerned with. The report to the President will be submitted in January.

PROGRAMMING & EVENTS

Day of Action:

-Huge thanks to Amina and our Communications Manager for organizing a great Day of Action! Also thanks to everyone that came out to support the cause!

Vice President (Internal)

Rhiannon Makohoniuk

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INTERNAL

- Truro Trips & Meeting with DASA
 - Was on Truro campus twice tabling about the Day of Action.
 - Met with the DASA Executives. Kelsey planned a wonderful trip to the corn maze and we are looking forward to working with DASA and Truro students more. There were also many students out from Truro for the Day of Action – big thanks to Cassie for all her hard work!
- Societies
 - Still ratifying societies, but at a slower rate now.
 - Some societies have approached me about training sessions they want to attend so we will be doing more in January – stay tuned for details, and let me know if there is anything specific that you want to learn.
 - Created a draft to send to societies who hold events at the University Club – making them aware of the motion at council, that the University Club is not accessible and encouraging them to hold their event in a more inclusive and accessible location.
- Staff Open Space
 - We had our second Staff Open Space and it was lovely! Shout out to Kathleen and General Manager Craig for organizing these – they are a great way to bring together Staff and Executives.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

- Tabling at IPHE First Year Event
 - Every year, first year Health Professions students attend an event together to learn more about collaborative health care experiences. This year, the event was listening to a trans person talk about experiences with inter-professional health care. Dylan and I tabled afterward to let students know about resources for trans students on campus.

- Meeting with Dal Administration
 - Student Affairs Lunch
 - President's Office Breakfast
 - Meetings with Chauncey – ED of Student Life

SERVICES

- Sexual Assault and Harassment Phone Line
 - The Phone Line officially ended on November 3rd. It was another great and successful term for the Phone Line, which ran for 2 months with 11 dedicated volunteers and an amazing staff person. We are in the process of putting together Active Listening training during January to further work to support survivors on this campus. More information will become available in the next few weeks. Look for the commissioner position helping to plan this training and program online!
- Accessibility Fund Bursary
 - Met with Pamela Goodwin at the University to discuss the Bursary and working with Dal around this.

PROGRAMMING AND EVENTS

- Sexton Society Fair
 - The Sexton Society Fair took place on November 3rd and was a great success! There were 10 societies tabling down on Sexton and talking to students. We also gave out some popcorn and sno-cones. Shout out to Member Services Coordinator Sep for all his help and hard work around the Fair!
- Day of Action
 - Did LOTS of tabling for the Day of Action.
 - Made some banners and gave out more noodles on Sexton.
 - Did banner drops on Sexton and Carleton campuses.
 - Tabled a couple days on Truro campus, and made a banner there for a drop.
 - Halloween Hype Day in the SUB giving out cotton candy, sno-cones, and popcorn while talking to students about the Day of Action.
 - Meetings in preparation for the Day.
 - Getting wood for the signs and stapling the signs together in preparation.
 - The actual Day of Action was HUGE! Shout out to Amina and Communications and Outreach Manager Sarah for being amazing in organizing and pulling off the day of action. So much work was involved and everyone did amazing and there was a nice turnout from Dal as well as students around the city. Free education is real and possible!

Vice President (Student Life)

Kelsey Keddy

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Office Hours: Monday 9am-11am, Thursday 8am-10am

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Council Report – For Council meeting November 16th, 2016

Monday, October 23rd, 2016- Sunday, November 13th, 2016

Internal

Communications

- Continuing to push content on our social media (facebook, Instagram, twitter).
- On Instagram we reached 2000 followers! Woohoo!

Student Life Committee

- Planning for Exam stress relief, Sno-week, charity ball, and a winter concert are in the works.
- This committee meets every other Wednesday (opposite to council) in Board Room A at 7pm...
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Meeting w/ DASA

- Went with the other Execs to Truro for a Friday to promote the Day of action and meeting the executives from DASA
- Discussed collaborating for the charity ball as well as our exam stress relief initiatives.

University Relations

Meeting with Peter Cornish, Memorial University

- Attended lecture and brain storming with Peter Cornish of Memorial University's Counselling department to discuss stepped care and the benefits of flexible counselling.
- Items of importance were eliminating the three-call BICs process, having drop in hours, increasing counsellors' satisfactions and productivity.

Bi-Weekly University Meetings

- Continuing bi-weekly meetings with Verity Turpin, Executive Director of Student Wellness and Chauncey Kennedy, Executive Director of Student Life
- Bi-weekly lunches with the other members of the executive and the administration's student services team.
- Senior Admin Breakfast: meeting with Richard Florizone and Anne Forestall to discuss UClub accessibility, support for the striking workers of chronical herald, fall reading week, and potential collaborations.

DALeAd

- Sitting as an organizing member of the DALeAd committee to being planning the leadership conference to be held in January of 2017.
- This conference is planned in conjunction with the CLDC and many student representatives.
- Short listed morning and keynote speakers
- Registration is open and the facebook event page is live.

Impact Awards

- Co-chair of the nominations committee. Both myself and the other chair are currently reviewing the policy surrounding the composition and make up of the committee.
- Reviewing descriptions of awards and the rubric for awarding.
- Member of the overall planning committee: group meetings to begin next week.

Advocacy

University Alcohol Policy Committee

- Alcohol Harm Reduction (Sub Committee)
- Feed back drafted for Keep It Social campaign presented by NSLC to provincial institutions, second round.
- Provided written feedback for policy and lobbied for ability to display Grawood menu and Prices.

All Out on November 2nd

- Participated in sign and materials making
- Marched with over 1000 students from many university and college campuses to demand more funding and accessibility for post secondary institutions.

Programming & Events

Halloween!

- Trick or Treating Door: Volunteers shared the joy of Halloween by giving our candy and promotion for the Day of action.
- Aided in planning and promoting the Grawood Halloween Party

Trip to Truro: Haunted Corn Maze

- Planned a collaborative event with Dal After Dark and DASA.
- The event featured dinner in the residence meal hall as well as the River Breeze Corn maze.
- Fifty students from the Halifax campus took part in the spooky night.

Wellness Room

- Regular programming has been a hit and is continuing to be offered to students.
- Financial Literacy and 'no shame credit' workshop to take place November 22nd.
- Puppy rooms to take place in late nov/ early December.
- Massages are back and will be free! Tentative date: December 1st.

Trick or Eat

- Over 100 students took to the streets to collect food donations for Feed NS.
- Annual Fundraiser exceeded food collections from last year.
- Planned with support from Dal after Dark.

Athletics and Receptions

Varsity

- Promoting of regular sporting events including the Football finals.

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The Dalhousie Student Union acknowledges that Dalhousie University and the Dalhousie Student Union Building are located on traditional, unceded and unsurrendered Mi'kma'ki territory. The Dalhousie Student Union seeks to honour the relational treaty process in its programming, events, and meetings.

Dalhousie Student Union - Council Meeting

Nov 23, 2016; 6:00pm – Council Chambers (224), Student Union Building

1. ROLL CALL

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2016-11-23: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2016-11-23: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the 2016-11-16 Council meeting be accepted.

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

5. APPOINTMENTS

6. PRESENTATIONS

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. Elections Policy

B. Voter ID Policy

C. Referenda Policy

9. NEW BUSINESS

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13. ADJOURNMENT

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CALL TO ORDER at 6:10 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Mitchell Brown | Chair |
| Julia Guk | Recording Secretary (non-voting) |
| Kathleen Reid | President |
| Amina Abawajy | Vice-President (Academic and External) |
| Dylan Ryan | Vice-President (Finance and Operations) |
| Kelsey Keddy | Vice-President (Student Life) |
| Rhiannon Makohoniuk | Vice-President (Internal) |
| Bart Soroka | BOG Representative |
| Kati George-Jim | BOG Representative |
| Cassie Martel | Agricultural Representative |
| Aaron Sheppard | Architecture and Planning Representative |
| Alex Hughes | Arts and Social Science Representative |
| Raphael Bronfman-Nadas | Computer Science Representative |
| Ivit Yakub | Dentistry Representative |
| Daniel Tremblay | Engineering Representative |
| Moe Kabbara | Graduate Studies Representative |
| Vacant | Health Professions Representative |
| Mike Coady | Law Representative |
| Mackenzie Goodwin | Management Representative |
| Mary Purcell | Medicine Representative |
| Shauna Bulman | Science Representative |
| Aaron Prosper | Aboriginal Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | Black Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | International Students' Community Representative |
| David De Cicco | Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | Students with Disabilities Representative |
| Vacant | Residence Representative |

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Michael Coady

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

Daniel Tremblay, Moe Kabbara

Dalhousie Student Union - Council Meeting

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OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2016-12-07: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Bulman

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2016-12-07: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the November 16, 2016 Council meeting and the November 23, 2016 Council meeting be accepted as circulated.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Abawayj

MOTION 2016-12-07: M01 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

Yvit Yakub, Cassie Martel, Mike Coady have sent their regrets.

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Council Members

i. Faculties of Health Professions

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Faculties of Health Professions Representative appointment be tabled to January.

Moved: Makohoniuk **Seconded:** Kabbara

ii. Students with Disabilities

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Students with Disabilities Representative appointment be tabled to January.

Moved: Hughes **Seconded:** Reid

iii. Accessibility

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Students with Disabilities Representative appointment be tabled to January.

Moved: Hughes **Seconded:** Reid

B. Committee

i. Accessibility Fund

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Mitch Kilgour and Naureen's nominations be accepted into the Accessibility Fund Committee into the two council seats.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Keddy

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Chris Abraham be accepted into the Accessibility Fund Committee into the non-councillor seat.

Moved: Bulman **Seconded:** George-Jim

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Budget Review

Dylan Ryan gave a presentation of the budget review to council which was also circulated in the council package.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the budget be approved.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Kabbara

7. NOTICES OF MOTION

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2016-12-07: A05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2016-12-07: A05 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:08 PM

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Dalhousie Student Union - Council Meeting

Wednesday, January 11, 2016, 6:00 PM – Council Chambers, Student Union Building

CALL TO ORDER at 6:04 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Mitchell Brown | Chair |
| Julia Guk | Recording Secretary (non-voting) |
| Kathleen Reid | President |
| Amina Abawajy | Vice-President (Academic and External) |
| Dylan Ryan | Vice-President (Finance and Operations) |
| Kelsey Keddy | Vice-President (Student Life) |
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| Vacant | Residence Representative |

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Katie Douglas will be leaving for a bit and then coming back during the meeting.

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2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2017-01-11: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Reid

MOTION 2017-01-11: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-01-11: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted to include Students with Disabilities to appointments, adding the student to the council.

Moved: Makohoniuk **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2017-01-11: A02 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-01-11: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted to include the Gazette presentation to the agenda.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Douglas

MOTION 2017-01-11: A03 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-01-11: A04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted to move the Gazette presentation to be first on the agenda.

Moved: Makohoniuk **Seconded:** Purcell

MOTION 2017-01-11: A04 CARRIED

Rhiannon Makohoniuk withdraws her motion.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2017-01-11: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the December 7, 2016 Council Meeting be approved.

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Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Keddy

MOTION 2017-01-11: M01 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. CRO

MOTION 2017-01-11: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ali be accepted as the CRO.

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** Prosper

MOTION 2017-01-11: N01 CARRIED

B. Students with Disabilities

MOTION 2017-01-11: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Jessica Dempsey be accepted as the Students with Disabilities representative.

Moved: Makohoniuk **Seconded:** Prosper

MOTION 2017-01-11: N02 CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. Gazette

Eleanor and Sabina discussed what the Dal Gazette has been up to, including their increase in online content and social media as well as how their editors and contributors function and talked about their most successful stories this year.

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board Caucus

The next reporting cycle will come after their meeting on Monday.

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A. Senate Caucus

The next reporting cycle will come after their meeting on Monday.

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. DAGS Loan Agreement

Ryan explained the Graduate Student Society's loan agreement.

B. Halifax Pride Boycott

Prosper described his motivation as to why he wishes to have the DSU council agree on a Halifax Pride Boycott and why he wishes to have a motion on this idea.

MOTION 2017-01-11: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Aaron Prosper's motion be tabled until the next meeting.

Moved: Prosper **Seconded:** Dempsey

MOTION 2017-01-11: N04 CARRIED

9. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

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MOTION 2017-01-11: A05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Keddy

MOTION 2017-01-11: A05 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM

**PRESIDENT
KATHLEEN REID
REPORT TO COUNCIL**

November 16th, 2016 to December 4th, 2016

Contact at:

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INTERNAL

Monthly Staff Open Space

- Ran the third open space for the full time staff. Open space is a chance for staff members to collaborate on topics and projects they may not normally have input on because of their department. This is meant to give staff an opportunity to collaborate, and connect on Executive initiatives on a regular basis.
- This month we talked about executive transition period best practices, winter events, and elections platforms.

EXTERNAL

Office Hours and Tabling

- Exec office hours are set:
 - President (Kathleen) Monday and Wednesday 11am to 1pm
 - VP Internal (Rhiannon) Wednesday 2pm to 4pm and Thursday 10am to 12pm
 - VP Finance and Operations (Dylan) Monday 10am to 1pm and Thursday 2pm to 4pm
 - VP Academic and External (Amina) Tuesday 11am to 2pm and Wednesday 2pm to 4pm
 - VP Student Life (Kelsey) Monday 9am to 11am and Thursday 8am to 10am
- If these times do not work for you, you can always reach out via email to set a meeting time.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Board of Governors

- Attended the Board of Governors meeting on Tuesday November 22nd
- Attended the joint reception for Board of Governors Members and Senators.
- Will be attending the Fall Board of Governors retreat on Thursday December 8th.

University Senate

- Attended senate meetings (November 14th, and November 28th) As well as and SPGC (senate planning and governance committee)
- The re-composition of Senate process is taking longer than expected and has not yet been moved to Board of Governors for approval.
- Met with all student senators to check in on how the semester is going, as well as allocating committee seats.

Search Committee for the new University Registrar

PRESIDENT KATHLEEN REID REPORT TO COUNCIL

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- We are now in the process of assessing applications and will be selecting candidates to interview in the new year. The timeline is structured to have a new person in place by April 2017.

Student Services Meet Ups

- Continuing bi-weekly meetings with the Student Services team to connect on student issues, and important current points. We recently talked about the fall reading week and the impact it had on class workloads and exam schedules.

16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence

- Collaborated on hosting a Survivor Support Workshop with Sarah (Communications Coordinator) and Rhiannon (VPI), as a part of the programming for the 16 days.

Alcohol Advisory Committee

- Attended an alcohol advisory committee on November 29th where we continued to review the University Alcohol policy and give feedback on a potential partnership for alcohol harm reduction on campus.

Sexton Campus Renewal Project Development Committee

- Continuing meeting about the Development of Sexton campus, as renovations for several new buildings on Sexton begins.

OPERATIONS

24-Hour Study Space

- 24-hour study space will be open from December 7th to December 13th in the SUB Atrium. There will be study snacks every night starting at 9pm as well as a quiet study room (302 of the SUB) open during regular operating hours.
- You must use the LeMarchant Street entrance to access the Atrium after hours.

ADVOCACY

Tabling

- Amina, Dylan, Rhiannon, and myself have scheduled specific days to table with the DSU street team. I will be tabling at sexton this Wednesday!
- Look out for Tuesday through Thursday on all different campuses and locations!

University Club Accessibility Project

- Met with Dr. Florizone on the issue, to let him know about the motion passed at council. He expressed genuine interest in getting involved in the process. We will be meeting with VP Advancement (Peter Fardy) to talk about a possible fundraising approach for this project.
- We had the first committee meeting for this project, consisting of the E&A office, General Manager (Craig Kennedy), VPI and VPAE. We are still sending a call out to students if they would like to be on the committee.
- At our first committee meeting we distributed work to look for current reports done by the university or externally regarding building accessibility on campus,

**PRESIDENT
KATHLEEN REID
REPORT TO COUNCIL**

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- potential partners to reach out to, as well as to set up a meeting with VP Advancement to talk about funding.
- Our next meeting is on Monday December 12th

SERVICES

Survivor Support Initiatives

- After two strategy sessions, working with Amina, Rhiannon and staff members on the next stages of planning for a sustainable source of funding for survivor support initiatives on campus.
- Moving forward we will be hiring a student commissioner to help set up and coordinate active listening sessions for students who need support as a temporary replacement for the Phoneline. We are currently in the process of planning the volunteer training that will occur in January 2017.

EVENTS

Impacts Awards

- Now sitting on the Impact Awards Event Planning Committee to collaborate with the University on the project. We have had a few meetings so far where we have delegated roles and responsibilities of planning the event.
- I will also be the student representative on the Board of Governors Award Selection Committee



Report to DSU Council for Wednesday December 7th, 2016

Amina Abawajy – vpae@dsu.ca

Office Hours: Tuesday 11am-2pm and Wednesday 2pm-4pm

INTERNAL

- Executive meetings twice a week
- Weekly meetings with Communications and Outreach Coordinator, Sarah, Policy and Research Coordinator, Mary-Dan, Campaigns and Outreach Coordinator for the Equity and Accessibility Office, Masuma, and Interim Graphic Designer and Campaigns Manager, Jonathan.
- On December 7th all the executives participated in an Open Space led by Kathleen and our General Manager, Craig. These monthly sessions are open to full-time and part-time staff.
- All executives met with Jeff, Student VIP health plan provider.
- Met with members of the Executive Review Committee for a mid-term check in.
- Part-time Staff Party!!!

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Senate

- Senate Meeting on November 14 was a blanket exercise led by Elder Geri, from the Elders-in-Residence Program, and Elder Debbie from the Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Centre.
- Kathleen and I met with Chair of Senate, Kevin, and Vice Provost Student Affairs, Arig, and Senate Secretary, Andrea, to further discuss the increase to student representation on Senate.
- Interim Senate Caucus Meeting on November 21, 2016.

Other

- Bi-weekly meetings with the executive and members of Student Affairs Office.
- Monthly meetings with senior administrators.
- All executive members met with the new Ombudsperson, Diane, on .
- Ratification meeting with Bob, Discipline and Appeals Manager, and Katherine, Senate Vice Chair (Student Affairs), on November 14th to ratify Academic Integrity cases.
- Joint Board of Governors and Senate Reception



ADVOCACY

- Dal Libraries Student Input Feedback Team Meeting are hosting consultations on all campuses to get a better understanding of whether or not they're meeting students needs. Consultations on Sexton and Carleton happened in November and Study and Agriculture Campus will be taking place in January.
- Engaging students on-the-ground through weekly tabling on all campuses.
- Day of Action debrief and volunteer appreciation
- External Action Committee Meeting to discuss steps for next semester.
- Preparing mental health initiatives campus scan for the provincial mental health task force. If you're constituency is doing some rad organizing around mental health issues on campus, hit me up!
- Sexual Harassment and Resource Group Meeting.
- Meeting on U-club accessibility on November 28.
- Consent Culture Forum Debrief and Next Steps meeting on December 5.
- Strategy Sessions for Survivor Support
- 27th Anniversary of the Montreal Massacre Vigil on December 6.
- Attended the rally to support teachers.

SERVICES

DSAS

- Service
 - There has been a sharp increase in intakes during the first semester of operation as well as the highest number of volunteers the service has seen and they expect the same for next semester. The majority of cases are still academic in nature, however, we are seeing a lot more than previous years, most likely due to our promotional efforts and visibility in the Dal community. So far, we have more than doubled previous years monthly numbers. We have seen quite a lot of cases involving graduate students experiencing sexual harassment from supervisors. We are also talking a lot more cases at other campuses like Kings, Sexton, and Truro. The budget we inherited did not reflect the expanded mandate of DSAS, and
 - Lost and had to replace two executive members who resigned due to stress.



- Outreach
 - Academic Integrity workshop will now be taking place in January as part of winter orientation for International Students (thanks to Reza and Mitch for all their work on this) and hopefully incorporated in all future orientations.
 - Raised over \$326 and collected 93 journals for Books Beyond Bars
- Policy
 - Has a seat on the Sexual Assault Response Policy Committee and have contributed to the first round of edits.
 - Created an accommodations policy which we aim to deliver to the Department of Engineering following a serious case of lack of accommodations, as well as broadly to the Dal campus.
 - Initiating an open process at the Law School to develop a sexual assault and harassment policy in response to multiple cases of sexual assault, harassment, and gendered violence over the past several years.

UPCOMING

- All the holiday parties!

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

November 14th, 2016 to December 4th, 2016

INTERNAL

Budget Revision:

- Met with all department heads.
- Revised submitted revisions.
- Met with Budget & Finance Committee members.
- Presented to societies.
- Held consultation sessions.

Survivor Support:

- Working with the folks involved to support the planning for survivor support in the winter and future years.

Financial Policy:

- Working with Policy & Research Co-ordinator to bring review and revise Financial Policy to reflect our new governance structure.

Society funding:

- Continuing to meet with lots of society VP Finances regarding their finances, following up on missing audits, and grant applications.

Grants:

- The Grants & Sponsorship Committee has wrapped up their work for the semester. Thanks to the members we've successfully awarded over \$20k to support students.

Grad student issues:

- Working with other members of the Exec to identify structure of committee and commissioner to examine grad student issues in the winter semester.

OPERATIONS

Food Service Plan:

- Continuing to examine potential food service models for services in the SUB. This has meant conducting lots of outreach to colleagues and professionals across Canada to try to bring a model that best fits the DSU to Council.

Grawood & Campus Copy marketing:

- Working with the VPSL, GM, Communications Manager and Director of Licensed Operations to continue along our Grawood marketing plan.

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

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-Working with the *GM*, *Communications Manager* and *Campus Copy Manager* on *Campus Copy* marketing plan.

SERVICES

Health Plan:

-Met with health plan administrator to review end of year report on the status of health plan. Working to expand outreach surrounding opt-out for September.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Budget Advisory Committee:

-Met with the University BAC and raised issues surrounding the budgeting process at Dalhousie.

International Student Emergency Bursary:

-Administered emergency funding with the University.

Vice President (Internal)

Rhiannon Makohoniuk

Report to Council

Monday, November 14th to Sunday, December 4th

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INTERNAL

- Societies
 - Society Expo coming up on January 25th – a Wednesday. An email will be sent out this week prompting societies to register. In addition, more prompts to come in January.
 - Society training is back in January! A list of available sessions and sign up information will be online within the next couple days. Email prompt will also be sent out this week about this! If you have anything you would like to see hit me up!
- Grad Student Commissioner
 - Working over the last couple weeks of the term to set up a commissioner position to head a working group aimed at illuminating how the DSU can better serve and represent graduate students on campus. Will be working with DAGS on this – briefly touched base last week about it, but as we figure things out on our end we will be working together more.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

- Accessibility Bursary
 - Met with Pam Goodwin from the University to award the university accessibility bursaries. Need to form committee at council on Wednesday to get the DSU ones rolling out.
- LGBTQ Collective on campus
 - To-be-named collective of LGBTQ groups on campus met to discuss collaborating up more, what the campus climate is like for LGBTQ people, and working together more in the future. Shoutout to SoHo, and HRES for getting this going.

SERVICES

- Survivor Support Initiatives
 - Took up the bulk of my time over the past couple weeks, including biweekly hours-long meetings. Setting up an active listening/ responding to sexual violence training weekend for January 14/15 – you can attend by signing up online!
 - Working to get the training going, to map out and conjure up a service to support survivors on campus and hiring a commissioner to help with this! Interviews for the commissioner are Thursday so everything is going along swimmingly.
 - Let me know if you want more info on this!

PROGRAMMING AND EVENTS

- Society and Volunteer Expo
 - January 25th! Sign up online soon!

**** General note:**

- This report seems a bit light, but the bulk of the last few weeks has been spent in regular meetings (Student Affairs, ED of Student Life, Executive, Grants Committee, Society Review Committee, Communications team, Impact awards), and doing regular activities (office hours, tabling, meeting with people about societies), and setting things up for January (society training, society fair, survivor support service & training weekend).

Vice President (Student Life)

Kelsey Keddy

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Office Hours: Monday 9am-11am, Thursday 8am-10am

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Council Report – For Council meeting December 7th, 2016

Monday, November 14th, 2016- Sunday, December 4th, 2016

Internal

Communications

- Continuing to push content on our social media (facebook, Instagram, twitter).
- On Instagram we reached 2200 followers! Woohoo!
- Mannequin Challenge filmed with the Grawood to promote the new space and first class bash.

Student Life Committee

- Planning for Exam stress relief, Sno-week, charity ball, and a winter concert are in the works.
- Charity ball is a murder mystery and the theme is a Hollywood awards show
- This committee meets every other Wednesday (opposite to council) in Board Room A at 7pm...
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Staff Party

- It was great! If you couldn't make this one... be sure to hit up next terms!

Executive Review Committee

- Met with the committee to discuss progress thus far, transition plans, and goals for next term.

Health Plan Year End Review

- Meeting with health plan administrator, to discuss the year end totals.

University Relations

Orientation Committee (University)

- Debrief meeting with university players surrounding summer activities and September orientation
- Feedback provided surrounding the need for more university services to be open
- Discussion surrounding winter orientation activities, specifically for international students and new/transfer students

Meeting with the New Ombudsperson

- Discussed role of ombudsperson and neutrality between DSU and administration
- Provided insight on university policies that require review and suggested areas that should be evaluated

Bi-Weekly University Meetings

- Continuing bi-weekly meetings with Verity Turpin, Executive Director of Student Wellness and Chauncey Kennedy, Executive Director of Student Life

- Bi-weekly lunches with the other members of the executive and the administration's student services team.

DALead

- Sitting as an organizing member of the DALead committee to being planning the leadership conference, scheduled for February 11, 2017.
- This conference is planned in conjunction with the CLDC and many student representatives.
- Confirmed speakers include: Lindell Smith and Rebecca Thomas.
- Registration is open and sponsorship and promotion teams have begun to do their work!

Impact Awards

- Co-chair of the nominations committee which met for the first time to review award descriptions and rubrics.
- New descriptions will be updated on the website and an additional dialogue box will contain suggested topics to cover in nominations in order to encourage a higher quality of submissions for all who nominate.

Advocacy

University Alcohol Policy Committee

- Alcohol Harm Reduction (Sub Committee)
- Feed back drafted for Keep It Social campaign presented by NSLC to provincial institutions, final round. Decision was made to not move forward with the campaign as it does not support core campus values and normalizes a culture of drinking.
- Final policy adjustments are being amended and the new policy is set to be finished in January.

All Out on November 2nd

- Participated in sign and materials making
- Marched with over 1000 students from many university and college campuses to demand more funding and accessibility for post secondary institutions.

Programming & Events

Wellness Room

- Regular programming has been a hit and is continuing to be offered to students.
- Renewed yoga for next term and continuing on campus partnership
- Massages room! 50+ students were provided a free massage to destress before exams
- Puppy Rooms were held on Nov 24th and Dec 5th.

OPOP Conference

- Partnering with students and DSUSO on the Our Poles Our Planet conference with a focus on sustainability
- Date set for conference: March 6th, 2017
- Funding proposals have been submitted with the provincial government and outside organizations
- Working with Students on Ice to secure speakers and programming

TEDx

- Coordinator and volunteer exec team have been hired
- Date for event: March 12th, 2017
- Submission and requests for speaker nominations and volunteers to begin in late December in anticipation for a full kick off in January

Athletics and Recreations

Varsity

- Promoting of regular sporting events including the Football finals.

U Sports Final 8 Basketball Championship

- Meeting with Director of Varsity Athletics, Tim Maloney, and Sports & Entertainment Atlantic, and Kathleen to discuss DSU partnership and promotion
- Promotion will involve utilizing societies to sell tickets with the potential to receive revenues in return
- March 8th-12th

Dalhousie Student Union - Council Meeting

Jan 25, 2017; 6:00pm – Council Chambers (224), Student Union Building

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Dalhousie Student Union - Council Meeting

Jan 25, 2017; 6:00pm – Council Chambers (224), Student Union Building

1. ROLL CALL

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2017-01-25: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2017-01-25: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the 2017-01-11 Council meeting be accepted.

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

5. APPOINTMENTS

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. Halifax Pride (Morgan Manzer)

B. Chartwells Food Services

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board Caucus

B. Senate Caucus

8. OLD BUSINESS

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A. Mental Health Motion

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**PRESIDENT
KATHLEEN REID
REPORT TO COUNCIL**

December 4th, 2016 to January 22nd 2017

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INTERNAL

SUB Grand Opening

- The Grand Opening event happened on Wednesday January 18th. The event was a great success with students, faculty, administration, and staff all in attendance. Speeches were delivered from myself, President Richard Florizone, BOG Chair Larry Stordy, and General Manager Craig Kennedy.
- Huge shout out to the organizing committee made up of a team of our full time staff members.
- Post grand opening I will be working with DISC to create a land recognition plaque to be put up in our building.

Sexton Director

- Working with Josh, the DSU Sexton Director, to execute a survey to find out what the DSU should be prioritizing for sexton students this term.

Executive Retreat

- Planning an executive retreat for the DSU team next week. This retreat will be a chance for us to step out of the office for a day, re-focus our goals, talk about transition, and reflect on our accomplishments so far.

EXTERNAL

Office Hours and Tabling

- Exec office hours are set:
 - President (Kathleen) Monday and Wednesday 11am to 1pm
 - VP Internal (Rhiannon) Wednesday 2pm to 4pm and Thursday 10am to 12pm
 - VP Finance and Operations (Dylan) Monday 10am to 1pm and Thursday 2pm to 4pm
 - VP Academic and External (Amina) Tuesday 11am to 2pm and Wednesday 2pm to 4pm
 - VP Student Life (Kelsey) Monday 9am to 11am and Thursday 8am to 10am
- If these times do not work for you, you can always reach out via email to set a meeting time.

Sexual Violence Prevention Committee w/ the Minister of Labour and Advanced Education

- Have now been to four committee meetings of the SVPC, made up of key government players, university representatives from SPEI's across NS, and three students representatives (myself, CFS, and SNS)

PRESIDENT KATHLEEN REID REPORT TO COUNCIL

December 4th, 2016 to January 22nd 2017

- The committee purpose is to create a report with recommendations to the province on an official sexual violence prevention strategy.
- Myself, Charlotte Kiddel (CFS), and Collette Robert (SNS) gave a presentation to the committee to provide the student perspective of sexual assault and gender based violence on our campuses.
- The presentation highlighted the state NS campuses, and recommendations for what need to be included in the report.
- The committee was very responsive to our presentation and the student perspective. We had a lengthy question and answer period where I fielded questions about the Phonenumber, the backhouse recommendations, and DSU initiatives.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Board of Governors SUB-Committees:

- The next Dalhousie Board Academic and Student Affairs Committee is on Friday January 27th.
- I also now sit on the Board of Governors Award selection committee. I have received the applicant's package and began review.

Board of Governors

- The next BOG meeting is on Tuesday February 14th.

University Senate

- Attended senate meeting (Monday January 9th) As well as and SPGC (senate planning and governance committee) and I have an SHDC (Senate Honorary Degrees Committee) meeting coming up next week.

Senate Appeals Committee

- Sat as the student representative on the Senate Appeals Committee for a hearing on Thursday January 19th

Search Committee for the new University Registrar

- Started round one of interviews. This process is very confidential but I can disclose we have interviewed 4 candidates and are now looking at next steps in the process.

Student Services Meet Ups

- Continuing bi-weekly meetings with the Student Services team to connect on student issues, and important current points.

Senior Administration Meetings

- The next breakfast meeting is on Tuesday January 24th. If you have any items you think we should be talking about at these meetings, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Sexton Campus Renewal Project Development Committee

PRESIDENT KATHLEEN REID REPORT TO COUNCIL

December 4th, 2016 to January 22nd 2017

- Continuing meeting about the Development of Sexton campus, as renovations for several new buildings on Sexton begins.

Strategic Priority 5.2 Advisory Committee Meeting

- We had an advisory committee update from the 5.2 (Diversity and inclusion) project team, lead by Jasmine Walsh and Norma Williams. I gave feedback in person during the discussion period, and wrote up a feedback document that I submitted electronically to the committee.

ADVOCACY

Tabling

- Amina, Dylan, Rhiannon, and myself have scheduled specific days to table with the DSU street team. I will be tabling at sexton this Wednesday!
- Look out for Tuesday through Thursday on all different campuses and locations!

University Club Accessibility Project

- Met with Dr. Florizone on the issue, to let him know about the motion passed at council. He expressed genuine interest in getting involved in the process. We will be meeting with VP Advancement (Peter Fardy) to talk about a possible fundraising approach for this project.
- Set up a DSU committee to work on this issue, consisting of the E&A office, General Manager (Craig Kennedy), and some executives.
- Currently working to set up the next meeting of this committee, and have tasked specific members to do some research, looking for what reports and audits already exist about accessibility on campus. We will be reviewing these reports at our next meeting, to decide what work still needs to be done to make a case for funding for the project.

SERVICES

Survivor Support Initiatives

- After two strategy sessions, working with Amina, Rhiannon and staff members on the next stages of planning for a sustainable source of funding for survivor support initiatives on campus.
- We hired a student commissioner (Ruby) to help set up and coordinate active listening sessions for students who need support as a temporary replacement for the Phonline.

Active Listening Training

- Worked with Rhi Rhi (VPI) and several staff members to run a 2-day active listening training specific to train volunteers in active listening for survivors of sexual assault and harassment.
- The training was a huge success with approximately 40 students attending. The training ran Jan 14th and 15th with scenario training (run by myself, Rhiannon, and Mary-Dan) throughout the following week.

**PRESIDENT
KATHLEEN REID
REPORT TO COUNCIL**

December 4th, 2016 to January 22nd 2017

- The service will include an option for folks to book active listeners to come to events as a support that people can turn to if need be. We are currently working out the logistics of what it would be like to run a drop in service for in person active listening.

OTHER

DASA

- Working with the DASA president (Alana) to set up our executive meeting for the winter term. (In our MOU it states that we must make a trip out to the AC to collaborate with the DASA executive at least once a semester.)

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

January 9th, 2017 to January 25th, 2017

INTERNAL

Treasurer Training:

-Provided a few replacement society treasurers with training to prepare for audit. If your society has a new treasurer that needs training please get them to reach out, training will be done on a one-on-one basis.

Health Plan

-Evaluating applications for opt-ins, opt-outs and special requests as students have returned for the winter semester.

Grants:

-Held our first Grants & Sponsorship Committee meeting of the semester. Because of the huge influx of grant applications (over 50) over the break, we'll be having meetings consecutive weeks and the backlog will be done away with on Tuesday!

Society Audits:

-The winter audit deadline for levied and faculty level societies has been set for Feb. 10th. We've already received some eager audits, which helps to let us get ahead. Societies are free to submit any time before then!

OPERATIONS

Food Service Plan:

-Continuing to examine potential food service models for services in the SUB. This has meant conducting lots of outreach to colleagues and professionals across Canada to try to bring a model that best fits the DSU to Council.

Election Platform:

-Found an election platform that could perform the tasks we need. Continuing to explore other possible providers. I'm aiming to have a platform signed by February 5th.

Accounting Assistant interviews:

-As our accounting assistant unfortunately left just prior to returning from the break. Our interviews with temporary candidates continue as we search for the right fit.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

International Student Emergency Bursary funding:

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

January 9th, 2017 to January 25th, 2017

-Have now successfully awarded over \$8000 in International Student Emergency Bursary funding through our joint committee with folks from the International Centre.

President's Advisory Council on Sustainability:

-Working with the folks from DSUSO to lobby the Committee on sustainability issues that students are concerned with. The report to the President will be submitted in January.

PROGRAMMING & EVENTS

Food & Beverage combos in the Grawood:

-Our deal with ABI has led to them supporting more specials in the Grawood! Our first features 2 Modellos and a Nachos Grande on Friday nights for \$22!

Grand opening:

-Grand opening was most grand, everyone who attended had a great time!

Saint Patrick's Day:

-Taken on planning for the St. Paddy's Day event. More details to come. There should be an exciting combination of alcohol free, and alcohol include programming throughout the SUB so all students can enjoy safely! If anyone would like to help out, just reach out!

Vice President (Internal)

Rhiannon Makohoniuk

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INTERNAL

- Societies
 - Society ratification is much slower this time of year but things are still trucking along! If you have any questions or concerns please let me know!
 - Society training is scattered over the next couple weeks in case you or someone from your society wants to get your/ their knowledge on! Sign up online.
 - Even though the semester just started, the end of the academic year is fast approaching, which means society transition time. Let me know what you'd like to see from the DSU to help along transition in societies!
- Grad Student Commissioner
 - Posted this volunteer position last week! If you have grad students in your faculty/ program please let them know about this! This position will be helping to facilitate the back end of a committee aimed at finding out how the DSU can better serve grad students!
- Equity & Accessibility Office
 - The Steering Committee will be meeting on Wed at 4pm (right before council). If this is something you would like to get involved with (working on the creation and implementation of campaigns/ events/ projects through the E&A Office please get in touch with Michael or Masuma.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

- University Classroom Planning Committee
 - Got a cool demonstration of new lecture capture software being rolled out!
- Impact Awards
 - Coming up! Do you know a dal student who does cool things/ great work on campus? Nominate them for an award to show them how much you care. 😊
- Sexual Assault Response Protocol

- Meeting with this committee on a weekly basis this semester to update Dal's Sexual Assault Response Protocol. There are three student representatives on the committee and things are going great so far! Let me know if you have questions or input.
- Dal Reads 2017
 - Met with the Dal Reads team to begin the selection process for next years Dal Reads book. Some great options so something sweet will be happening next year! Shoutout to Aaron Prosper for reaching out to the libraries about choosing an indigenous focused book for next year!

SERVICES

- Active Listening Peer to Peer Support Service
 - We had our training last weekend, which was well attended and a good time. Lots of coming together, learning and growing. Active Listening "To-Go" at events will be rolling out soon – stay tuned for more details!

PROGRAMMING AND EVENTS

- Society and Volunteer Expo
 - This Wednesday!!!!!! AKA Today!!!!!! I hope you go/ I hope you went
- Grand Opening of the SUB!
 - Shoutout to Kathleen and our staff who worked hard to have a great Grand Opening for the SUB. We has some good speeches, video check-ins from past DSU presidents, and some appy's & cake.

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Dalhousie Student Union – Council Meeting

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Wednesday, February 8th, 6:00 PM – T-Room

CALL TO ORDER at 6:06 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

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|------------------------|--|
| Mitchell Brown | Chair |
| Julia Guk | Recording Secretary (non-voting) |
| Kathleen Reid | President |
| Amina Abawajy | Vice-President (Academic and External) |
| Dylan Ryan | Vice-President (Finance and Operations) |
| Kelsey Keddy | Vice-President (Student Life) |
| Rhiannon Makohoniuk | Vice-President (Internal) |
| Bart Soroka | BOG Representative |
| Kati George-Jim | BOG Representative |
| Cassie Martel | Agricultural Representative |
| Aaron Sheppard | Architecture and Planning Representative |
| Alex Hughes | Arts and Social Science Representative |
| Raphael Bronfman-Nadas | Computer Science Representative |
| Ivit Yakub | Dentistry Representative |
| Daniel Tremblay | Engineering Representative |
| Moe Kabbara | Graduate Studies Representative |
| Vacant | Health Professions Representative |
| Mike Coady | Law Representative |
| Mackenzie Goodwin | Management Representative |
| Mary Purcell | Medicine Representative |
| Shauna Bulman | Science Representative |
| Aaron Prosper | Aboriginal Students' Community Representative |
| Noreen Mabiza | Black Students' Community Representative |
| Lina El-Satouhy | International Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | Students with Disabilities Representative |
| Mitchell Kilgour | Residence Representative |
| Katie Douglas | Women's Community Representative |

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Dylan Ryan, Shauna Bulman, Aaron Prosper

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

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Bart Soroka, Aaron Sheppard, Ivit Yakub, Daniel Tremblay, Moe Kabbara, Michael Coady

OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2017-02-08: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Keddy **Seconded:** Kilgour

MOTION 2017-02-08: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-02-08: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted to include the levy questions under “New Business”.

Moved: Makohoniuk **Seconded:** Keddy

MOTION 2017-02-08: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted to add a motion about the Medicine elections for DSU council.

Moved: Purcell **Seconded:** Keddy

MOTION 2017-02-08: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-02-08: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted the agenda as amended.

Moved: Keddy **Seconded:** Kilgour

MOTION 2017-02-08: A01 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

5. APPOINTMENTS

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6. PRESENTATIONS

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board Caucus

George-Jim said that she had a meeting for the selection awards committee and made decisions then.

B. Senate Caucus

Abawayj said that Interim caucus had a meeting scheduled for Feb 6th and would like to come present for council, and has questions she'd like to be circulated.

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. Food Services Option

MOTION 2017-02-08: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Food Services Option vote be tabled given Ryan's absence.

Moved: Makohoniuk **Seconded:** Purcell

MOTION 2017-02-08: N01 CARRIED

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Levy Questions

i. Dal Bike Centre Levy

MOTION 2017-02-08: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Dal Bike Centre Levy Question be amended to switch the order, to move the question below the "whereas" clauses.

Moved: Purcell **Seconded:** Makohoniuk

MOTION 2017-02-08: N02 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-02-08: N03

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Whereas an increase in the levy funding would allow the Dal Bike Society to increase opening times and programming of the Dal Bike Centre which provides free bike rentals and repairs for students.

Whereas the Dal Bike Centre is used significantly by summer students.

Whereas the Dal Bike Centre has been in operation since 2009 as a joint project of the Dalhousie Office of Sustainability and the Dalhousie Bike Society. In 2016, operations of the Dal Bike Centre were handed solely to the Dalhousie Bike Society, thus the levy will allow the student society to hire a staff member to manage the Dal Bike Centre.

Do you support increasing the levy for the Dal Bike Society from \$0.50 per semester to \$1.00 per semester for full-time students and part time students pay \$0.50 per semester? This applies only to the Halifax campuses and includes the summer semester.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Dal Bike Centre Levy Question be approved.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Makohoniuk

MOTION 2017-02-08: N03 CARRIED

ii. Loaded Ladle Levy

MOTION 2017-02-08: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Loaded Ladle Question be amended to switch the order, to move the question below the “whereas” clauses.

Moved: Makohoniuk **Seconded:** Reid

MOTION 2017-02-08: N04 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-02-08: N05

Whereas The Loaded Ladle has not increased its levy since 2012.

Whereas an increase in levy funding would allow The Loaded Ladle to increase programming, community (solidarity) servings, and regular servings to 4 days per week.

Whereas this levy increase will support growth of The Loaded Ladle until 2020.

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Do you support increasing the levy for the Loaded Ladle from \$3 per semester to \$4.50 per semester for full-time Dalhousie students. This question applies only to the Halifax campuses and registered full-time students.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Loaded Ladle Levy Question be approved.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Makohoniuk

MOTION 2017-02-08: N05 CARRIED

iii. DSU Survivor Support Levy

MOTION 2017-02-08: N06

Whereas one-in-five women experience sexual assault while attending a postsecondary institution; and

Whereas the Dalhousie Student Union recognizes that dedicated, long-term support for survivors must be accompanied by education and advocacy to ensure safer and more supportive campuses for all members of the Dalhousie community; and

Whereas Dalhousie Student Union currently provides support and advocacy for survivors of sexual assault, violence, and harassment without core funding, which has proved unsustainable; and

Whereas a levy would allow the DSU to establish a robust in-house support program dedicated to service delivery, education and advocacy for survivors of sexual assault, violence, and harassment;

Do you support instituting a fee of \$2.50 per semester for full-time students and \$1.50 per semester for part-time students to fund a robust DSU-operated support centre dedicated to service delivery, education and advocacy addressing sexual assault, violence, and harassment? This question applies only to the Halifax campuses.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the DSU Survivor Support Levy Question be approved.

Moved: Keddy **Seconded:** Purcell

MOTION 2017-02-08: N06 CARRIED

B. DMSS Motion

MOTION 2017-02-08: N07

BE IT RESOLVED THAT DMSS may change the dates of their elections in order to accommodate their spring break.

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Moved: Purcell **Seconded:** George-Jim

MOTION 2017-02-08: N07 CARRIED

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Reid gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Makohoniuk gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Ryan gave an overview of his written report at the meeting.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Abawajy gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Keddy gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

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MOTION 2017-02-08: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Soroka **Seconded:** Purcell

MOTION 2017-02-08: A03 CARRIED/FAILED

Meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM

PRESIDENT KATHLEEN REID REPORT TO COUNCIL

January 22nd 2017 to February 5th 2017

Contact at:

president@dsu.ca

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INTERNAL

Elections Promotion

- Working with Tim (DSU videographer) to create a video for elections highlighting different executive positions to encourage students to run.

Art in the SUB

- Working with the Dal Art Society executives to start a program to display student art in the SUB. We are collaborating with the art gallery, and building management to figure out the best way to have it rotate on a monthly basis.

EXTERNAL

Office Hours and Tabling

- Exec office hours are set:
 - President (Kathleen) Monday and Wednesday 11am to 1pm
 - VP Internal (Rhiannon) Wednesday 2pm to 4pm and Thursday 10am to 12pm
 - VP Finance and Operations (Dylan) Monday 10am to 1pm and Thursday 2pm to 4pm
 - VP Academic and External (Amina) Tuesday 11am to 2pm and Wednesday 2pm to 4pm
 - VP Student Life (Kelsey) Monday 9am to 11am and Thursday 8am to 10am
- If these times do not work for you, you can always reach out via email to set a meeting time.

The Next Generation of Public Service Talent

- The NS Public Service Commission is hosting a meeting on Monday at dal to get feedback from student leaders. I will be representing the DSU.
- Their aim is to gather a diverse group of 20 students across disciplines and institutions to share perspectives on public service recruitment and retention.

Dal Lead

- Hosting a workshop on student leadership at Dal Lead. The conference is a day-long series of speakers and workshops hosted by the CLDC and the DSU. Still time to register, the conference is on Saturday February 11th.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

African Heritage Month

- Spoke at the official flag raising and opening for African Heritage Month on Thursday Feb 2nd. The event was very well attended with student's faculty and staff.

PRESIDENT KATHLEEN REID REPORT TO COUNCIL

January 22nd 2017 to February 5th 2017

US Travel Ban

- Met with Arig (VP Student Services) and Rhiannon to find out how the university and the DSU can collaborate to support students affected by the executive order that was issued last week.

Board of Governors SUB-Committees:

- Kati and myself attended the Dalhousie Board Academic and Student Affairs Committee meeting on Friday January 27th.
- We had presentations on research and the future of research at Dalhousie as well as equity employment stats and the university
- I also now sit on the Board of Governors Award selection committee. I have received the applicant's package and began review.

Board of Governors

- The next BOG meeting is on Tuesday February 14th.

University Senate

- Attended senate meeting (Monday January 23rd) and
- Attended a SHDC (Senate Honorary Degrees Committee) meeting where we reviewed over 20 candidates and selected several to be future recipients.

Search Committee for the new University Registrar

- Started round two of interviews. This process is very confidential but I can disclose we have now narrowed our candidate pool and the committee is confident in our options.

Student Services Meet Ups

- Continuing bi-weekly meetings with the Student Services team to connect on student issues, and important current points.

Senior Administration Meetings

- Attended a meeting on January 24th. If you have any items you think we should be talking about at these meetings, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Sexton Campus Renewal Project Development Committee

- Continuing meeting about the Development of Sexton campus, as renovations for several new buildings on Sexton begins.

International Women's Week

- Joined the university planning committee for international women's week. The committee is made up of key student and staff stakeholders from around the university.
- Collaborating with the South House to organize a post women's march event to hold space for those who didn't feel comfortable or welcomed at the marches. The event will take place on Thursday Feb 9th

ADVOCACY

Tabling

**PRESIDENT
KATHLEEN REID
REPORT TO COUNCIL**

January 22nd 2017 to February 5th 2017

- Amina, Dylan, Rhiannon, and myself have scheduled specific days to table with the DSU street team. I will be tabling at sexton this Wednesday!
- Look out for Tuesday through Thursday on all different campuses and locations!

University Club Accessibility Project

- Met with Dr. Florizone on the issue, to let him know about the motion passed at council. He expressed genuine interest in getting involved in the process. We will be meeting with VP Advancement (Peter Fardy) to talk about a possible fundraising approach for this project.
- Set up a DSU committee to work on this issue, consisting of the E&A office, General Manager (Craig Kennedy), and some executives.
- Currently working to set up the next meeting of this committee, and have tasked specific members to do some research, looking for what reports and audits already exist about accessibility on campus. We will be reviewing these reports at our next meeting, to decide what work still needs to be done to make a case for funding for the project.

SERVICES

Survivor Support Initiatives

- After two strategy sessions, working with Amina, Rhiannon and staff members on the next stages of planning for a sustainable source of funding for survivor support initiatives on campus.
- We hired a student commissioner (Ruby) to help set up and coordinate active listening sessions for students who need support as a temporary replacement for the Phonenumber.

Active Listening Service

- The service will include an option for folks to book active listeners to come to events as a support that people can turn to if need be. We are currently working out the logistics of what it would be like to run a drop in service for in person active listening.

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

January 25th, 2016 to February 5th, 2016

INTERNAL

Society audits:

-Rehired a finance commissioner to assist with audits this semester. Have begun receiving audits and am getting them back to societies ASAP. The deadline to submit this winter is February 10th. More info on audits can be found at dsu.ca/audit.

Survivor support:

-Continuing to assist where possible in planning/budgeting for survivor support strategies on campus next year.

Budget time!!

-Getting hyped (and prepped) for the upcoming budgeting process. Begun work on retitling and reorganizing the actual lines of our budget so students (and you) can more easily make sense of it without too much explanation.

Election Platform:

-In talks with our likely election platform provider. This will be locked down this week.

Space allocation:

-Working with Rhiannon and the SRC to allocate office space as efficiently as possible for next year. Applications for office space are now available.

OPERATIONS

Food Service Plan:

-If you don't know about this you're in trouble.

Renovations:

-In the final stage of renovations. Currently negotiating with contractor on final costing and details of wrap-up.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

International Student Emergency Bursary:

-Have successfully award 2 more emergency bursaries to international students in need.

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

January 25th, 2016 to February 5th, 2016

President's Advisory Council on Sustainability:

-Working with the folks from DSUSO to lobby the Committee on sustainability issues that students are concerned with. The report to the President will be submitted in January.

Converge 2017

-Currently attending the Converge 2017 - Universities Canada conference in Ottawa.

PROGRAMMING & EVENTS

Grawood:

-Continuing work with Keddy, our Director of Licensed Operations, and our Communications Manager on marketing the Grawood. Society engagement is continuing to increase with lots of great events coming up this month!

St. Patrick's Day:

-Continuing to work with our Director Licensed Operations to plan the best St. Patrick's Day fiesta that the SUB has ever seen (it's the first time it'll be on a Friday in years!), Hoping to have everything set and the Facebook event up by the end of the week. Invite your friends!!!

Vice President (Internal)

Rhiannon Makohoniuk

Report to Council

Monday, January 23rd, - Sunday February 5th

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Office Hours: Wed 2pm-4pm, Thurs 10am-12pm

INTERNAL

- Societies
 - Ratifications – slower but ongoing, reach out if you have questions.
 - Society Training – was a lot slower this semester. Looking to include anti-oppression training for society leaders as something mandatory like risk management training. Would love to hear peoples thoughts about this.
 - Space in the Society HUB- creating a system of reallocating society space in the HUB on a yearly basis – look for more info in the next coming weeks.
- DSU App – Trying to get some of brightspace integrated into the app, should be fun.
- Regular Meetings – Grants, SRC, Communications,
- Elections!! - are coming up! I'm around if people want to chat about what exec roles are like or if they are interested. Also doing some cool promo – shoutout to Kathleen and Tim.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

- Sexual Assault Response Protocol Committee
 - Going great, should have some consultations in the next couples months to try and implement new things for September.
- Regular meetings – Chauncey (ED Student Life), Student Affairs, President Florizone

PROGRAMMING AND EVENTS

- Society Fair
 - Was last week, had about 80 societies out, was a good time. If you have feedback please let me know!
- Carving Out Space Post Women's March
 - South House/ DSU collaboration coming up this week (Thursday). A discussion/ healing space for people who didn't feel included within the Women's March. International Women's Week is also coming up so look forward to that.

Vice President (Student Life)

Kelsey Keddy

vpstudentlife@dsu.ca

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Internal

Communications

- Continuing to push content on our social media (facebook, Instagram, twitter).
- On Instagram we reached 2200 followers! Woohoo!
- Mannequin Challenge filmed with the Grawood to promote the new space and first class bash.

Student Life Committee

- Planning for winter concert, wellness room, and mental health awareness week are in the works.
- This committee meets every other Wednesday (opposite to council) in Board Room A at 7pm... ALL ARE WELCOME!

University Relations

Bi-Weekly University Meetings

- Continuing bi-weekly meetings with Verity Turpin, Executive Director of Student Wellness and Chauncey Kennedy, Executive Director of Student Life
- Bi-weekly lunches with the other members of the executive and the administration's student services team.

DALeAd

- Sitting as an organizing member of the DALeAd committee to be planning the leadership conference, scheduled for February 11, 2017.
- This conference is planned in conjunction with the CLDC and many student representatives.
- Confirmed speakers include: Lindell Smith, Rebecca Thomas, Candy Palmetter and Samantha Nutt
- Registration is open! Visit dal.ca/dallead
- Held two workshops on presentations skills and checked in with the presenters on the stages of their content.

Impact Awards

- Co-chair of the nominations committee. Award descriptions were updated and rubrics to follow.
- New descriptions have been added on the website as well as an additional dialogue box containing suggested topics to cover in nominations in order to encourage a higher quality of submissions for all who nominate.
- In the process of selecting hosts and performances. Send any suggestions my way!

Alcohol Policy Committee

- New policy was passed and is current in legal review

- New Alcohol harm reduction sub-committee was struck to perform a review of current initiatives.
- Committee is review the NSLCs “Keep it social” campaign and will be contributing feedback and direction for the strategy.
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Campus Wide Wellness Committee

- Had first of quarterly meetings on wellness
- Comprehensive wellness guide content to come from this groups of individuals
- Counselling services to be moving to a model containing drop in hours. More to come on this!

Programming & Events

SNOWEEK

- Ski trips: around 300 students hit the slopes skiing on Robbie burns day and Munro day for the annual skiing events.

Wellness Room

- Regular programming has been a hit and is continuing to be offered to students.
- Renewed yoga for winter term and continuing on campus partnership

OPOP Conference

- Partnering with students and DSUSO on the Our Poles Our Planet conference with a focus on sustainability
- Date set for conference: March 6th, 2017
- Funding proposals have been submitted with the provincial government and outside organizations
- Speakers have been selected and are in the process of being contacts.
- Website it live and program schedule has been released: <http://www.ourpolesourplanet.org/>
- Registration: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/our-poles-our-planet-halifax-tickets-31258690585>

TEDx

- Coordinator and volunteer exec team have been hard at work!
- Date for event: March 12th, 2017
- Theme: Understanding Uncertainty
- Speakers have been selected and are in the process of being contacted.
- Social media for the event is picking up!

Athletics and Receptions

U Sports Final 8 Basketball Championship (National Varsity Championship)

- Meeting with staff from Sport Entertainment Atlantic on promotion of event and inclusion of Dal students
- First Dal game: March 9th in the evening: Full Event: March 9th-12th
- Tickets are only \$10 and will be for sale at the info desk in February
- Met with interested societies and communicated plan for involvement.
- As tickets are sold, buyer can identity which society they want their ticket to count towards. Societies are competing for chance to win a box to a game, perks included.

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CALL TO ORDER at 7:18 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

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|------------------------|--|
| Mitchell Brown | Chair |
| Julia Guk | Recording Secretary (non-voting) |
| Kathleen Reid | President |
| Amina Abawajy | Vice-President (Academic and External) |
| Dylan Ryan | Vice-President (Finance and Operations) |
| Kelsey Keddy | Vice-President (Student Life) |
| Rhiannon Makohoniuk | Vice-President (Internal) |
| Bart Soroka | BOG Representative |
| Kati George-Jim | BOG Representative |
| Cassie Martel | Agricultural Representative |
| Aaron Sheppard | Architecture and Planning Representative |
| Alex Hughes | Arts and Social Science Representative |
| Raphael Bronfman-Nadas | Computer Science Representative |
| Ivit Yakub | Dentistry Representative |
| Daniel Tremblay | Engineering Representative |
| Moe Kabbara | Graduate Studies Representative |
| Vacant | Health Professions Representative |
| Mike Coady | Law Representative |
| Mackenzie Goodwin | Management Representative |
| Mary Purcell | Medicine Representative |
| Shauna Bulman | Science Representative |
| Aaron Prosper | Aboriginal Students' Community Representative |
| Noreen Mabiza | Black Students' Community Representative |
| Lina El-Satouhy | International Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Students' Community Representative |
| Vacant | Students with Disabilities Representative |
| Mitch Kilgour | Residence Representative |
| Katie Douglas | Women's Community Representative |

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Michael Coady, Mary Purcell, Noreen Mabiza

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

Cassie Martel, Moe Kabbara

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OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

5. APPOINTMENTS

6. PRESENTATIONS

MOTION 2017-02-08: N01

WHEREAS the VPFO and the DSU Council have consulted with Chartwells regarding their long-term food services offer,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the DSU shall move toward an independent food service operation without a third party provider.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** George-Jim

George-Jim said that she heard from many students on campus, many social activists and those who work with food services at Dal were for the motion, except some were against the motion because they were unsure about going independent and the financial stability of this decision.

Tremblay said that he is unsure about going with the option because Chartwells presented a very stable financial source and made some very good financial offers to us, which are guaranteed, whereas going independent the union may not get as much money.

Reid motivated for this option. Because of her DSU experience, she says that there is dissatisfaction with Chartwells catering or how they function. She says lack of flexibility is a concern, ethics is a concern, and being part of a corporation like them we may not get the flexibility we want. She said that if we want to go independent, there's a lot of concern with insurance and having a budget that can be balanced, but consultations after this can let us know what students want to see as franchises and hopefully will be successful. She also said that this independent model allows a balance of keeping ethics and we can still keep things like Tim Hortons – she said that it's not a drastic move to go to this model, it's not guaranteed, but it can also bring in a lot of money a year.

Goodwin motivated against. He said that we can open up to other companies this way. He said that bring in in small franchises has already been talked about, but

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this will be a very difficult procedure to get people into the atrium because it has not been a proven food model in the past. He also talked about the prison system aspect – and said that it's the provincial government mandate for who runs the prison food, so provinces can provide food to prisons, and said that many companies even Loblaws have food issues so he doesn't think that this is a huge impact because somebody will be doing it either way.

Douglas shared the National Student Food Charter brief context summary document with Council.

MOTION 2017-02-08: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council take a 5 minute recess to read the National Student Food Charter summary document.

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** Makohoniuk

MOTION 2017-02-08: N02 CARRIED

Douglas said it's important to have a culturally competent and socially just food service, and claims that these are points that Chartwells fails on. She said that lack of culturally competent food options in prisons, as the Women's Community Rep, she will be voting in favour of going independent because she has to stand with the constituents who are most affected and most at risk – she says these are the indigenous women in Canada who have family members that face disproportionate rates of incarceration in this country.

Hughes said that she is motivating against the motion, and said that her constituency is very divided. She said not to go through with this because all the concerns brought up with issues like catering, cultural societies not having food options respected - by going with an independent food model, we state that we have to go with another large catering company. She said this wouldn't be addressed by an independent food model because large catering companies will be similar to Chartwells. She said the main issue and question she is asking is will these issues like ethics and cultural issues be addressed when taking on this risk of going independent? She also mentioned that Tim Hortons also has human rights violations.

Abawayj said that she is voting for the motion. She read a letter from someone concerned with Chartwells. She said the decision must be more about than the food model, and has to look at whether it will respect diverse cultures.

Keddy motivated against, and wanted to remind folks that it's about the situation we're in and not ideologies. She said she can't let ideologies sway her even though there's a lot of risk around this, it will hurt the union. She also reminded council that we're not in a strict binding contract - if we vote against, we can have executives come out more often from other companies, to give us more options. She said that she is all for local businesses but she said this is not realistic, going

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independent will put a strain on our staff. Staff are already overworked because of ambitions of the union, and she said that we don't have the capacity to go independent in general. She also said that we'll have to give up something else like even advocacy work. She reminded us that it is important to consider all students, not only those who have vocalized.

David says he understands the concerns of ethics and going with a big company, but the main concept is the students. There's no better way to bring service to students he said. He said that the job of this company is the food, Chartwells is the most cost effective option available. Students will potentially have to pay for more expensive food and they may not be able to afford that. He said it's good to think of the issues with big companies, but denying access to a big majority of students because it'll get too costly is a big reason to go against going independent. He said if the company agrees that more diversity will bring more food, they'll do it, so we can play on the contract and tell them that we want diversity.

Soroka shared his experience of University of Regina, and said when they could bring in a franchise of their choice they were trying to fill one space, and it was a disaster. He said: "Everything we do, turning our union from an advocacy union to a service union, we will leave a lot of money on the table". He said people will do excellent consultation if we do go with Chartwells. He says if we go with that contract, if they do not meet our needs and wants, we still have the option to go independent if after consultation they don't offer what our students need. He said: "I am against this motion, and I think it's important to keep in mind what we leave behind by completely closing off the door to 3rd party contracting."

El-Satouhy said international students and cultural societies don't like Chartwells and going self-operated is "a very risky idea". She said yes, they don't like the food in Chartwells, but it's very cheap, it's the cheapest they can get, and they don't think that the DSU now is capable of pulling something like this. She also said that not only is it risky, it's very big, we don't know how it'll look, who will operate it, how it'll work with events, who will be the 3rd food outlet downstairs – a lot of uncertainty. She said for us to take a decision like this is risky, and we should work with Chartwells on a better contract, instead of going independent. We can start with 3 years, but we can work with a better contract, they said a lot of promises, we can hold them accountable and have everything written down in a well worded contract that will hold them accountable to not providing the services we need. She said: "We don't want to screw over next year's council, so I am against this."

Prosper said he is motivating for, but this decision is beyond the executive. He said Craig has been here for over 30 years and he says to go with the independent model, and says that Craig has been here the longest from what he has heard and has valuable knowledge. Prosper said: "I disagree with the fact that the atrium wouldn't be successful; prior to the installation of Tims, that was a hub for cultural foods in the 80s and 90s. It has been successful in the past. In the AGM of 2012 of this union the council decided not go independent, and the

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following council put forward a motion to abide by the Charter”. Prosper said that going with Chartwell’s won’t be affordable, they’ll probably be increasing all their prices to make more money.

Makohoniuk said that outside catering will cost more if we go independent, tickers for events will go up, that’s inaccessible. She said yes Chartwells isn’t great. She said: “I don’t believe we can provide better food services, prices or options to students if we go independent. If it goes south, we will have to be taking services off, and we will have less money to do things.” She said she wants the next executive to prosper and go independent, but realistically it will be a huge risk. She said taking a moral stance is good and she believes in it, but she doesn’t think it’s a sound decision financially.

Goodwin talked about the locally sourced food option and said it is harder to sign with franchises to source food locally than will be with Chartwells. Also, with catering, he said that they screwed up in the past and are willing to do tasting, and to bring chefs from other locations. He said they even offered to bring down prices, and said it’s cheaper with Chartwells. He also said: “Even if we sign a contract with Chartwells, we can notify them 90 days out of the contract and go independent”.

George-Jim said that we represent 18000 students. She said, “Sitting around this table we have privilege. There are not many people of colour or people who are international here.” She said she wanted council to consider people who aren’t able to be represented, as we don’t get to hear them everyday. She said money is obviously a large issue, but if you believe in a lot of social justice issues and you’re against this, you’re not following through what can be represented here. George-Jim said it’s a cop out and thinks that the union can afford to maybe run a deficit for the upcoming year to figure something out. She said, “Diversity is a big issue”. She said there’s not a lot we can hold Chartwells accountable for, and that many societies avoid catering on campus because there’s no culturally competent food. She said that by voting this down, we’re not giving students another option. She said, “We can readjust the budget, see where services can be cut, the students that reach out are important and those are the students that care and say they don’t want this.”

Douglas said that other campuses in Canada have student-run food services. She said, “Healthy options are better in those cases, on this campus we don’t have that.” She said if you look at the market and loaded ladle if they can work to get cheap healthy food there, we can have an opportunity to get cheap healthy food if we go independent. She said we can try opening up a convenience store or a business to provide us with essentials in the atrium.

Soroka said that voting down this option means keep our options open with food service operators, but going for with it means we can’t keep our options open with large food service operators. He said that we can’t run deficits, staff won’t be able to focus on issues on other campuses like Sexton. He also talked about the transfer of wealth to the Studley campus. He said we have tried food services in

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many ways, but we've failed to achieve profitability, and we can't stop looking at the bottom line of the budget because we have to ensure that future generations of students aren't paying off our deficit.

Kilgour said that a constituent brought up the idea of a convenience store and they seemed for that idea, because the Guardian is extremely overpriced, a lot of people on residence would certainly use the convenience store a lot.

El-Satouhy said that a lot of things people have brought today can be answered with a lot of things that already exist. She mentioned that food bank exists, is underused, and international students rely on it heavily. She said that we can work hard on it and that can be a free convenience store. She said, "We're not using these services, it's already there, and we want to bring in new stuff, but things we have we're not taking care of, and it won't make sense to international students." She recommended for students to use the community kitchen, and said these services in the building we're not utilizing and we're supposed to be responsible for them. She also said that Soroka was right about students on Sexton going to Studley for food, international students there agree and they make up the majority of Sexton. Grad students stuck on sexton from 9-5 and she says this is a struggle.

Ryan says he is voting against this motion. He said, "I said I was uncomfortable with Chartwells being part of our service, and that any structure including Chartwells can't be flexible to meet our needs. I said these things and I worked with staff for the last 10 months on this, and Chartwells doesn't meet the needs perfectly, but to be looking at every option we could have, this option will meet the needs best. We can't do this responsibly and better meet the needs of our students than we already are."

MOTION 2017-02-08: N01 FAILED

The following people mentioned that they wanted their vote included in the minutes.

FOR the motion: Prosper, Reid, Abawayj, George-Jim

AGAINST the motion: El-Satouhy, Tremblay, Keddy, Ryan, Hughes

7. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

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9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2017-02-08: A01

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Soroka **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2017-02-08: A01 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM

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CALL TO ORDER at 6:04 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

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|------------------------|--|
| Mitchell Brown | Chair |
| Julia Guk | Recording Secretary (non-voting) |
| Kathleen Reid | President |
| Amina Abawajy | Vice-President (Academic and External) |
| Dylan Ryan | Vice-President (Finance and Operations) |
| Kelsey Keddy | Vice-President (Student Life) |
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COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Alex Hughes, Ivit Yakub, Noreen

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

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OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2017-03-01: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Coady **Seconded:** Purcell

MOTION 2017-03-01: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-03-01: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to add a levy presentation from WUSC to Presentations.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2017-03-01: A02 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-03-01: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to modify New Business word changes in levy questions.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** George-Jim

MOTION 2017-03-01: A03 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-03-01: A04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted the agenda as amended.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Purcell

MOTION 2017-03-01: A04 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2017-03-01: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the three sets of February meeting minutes be accepted.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Tremblay

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MOTION 2017-03-01: M01 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

5. APPOINTMENTS

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. Carolyn Watters (Re: University Budget)

Carolyn Watters gave an overview of the context of why these budget recommendations are being made. She introduced the Budget Advisory Committee and talked about how they make decisions for money distribution and reallocation. She discussed outcomes of the survey of which 1300 people.

B. Katherine Harman (Vice Chair, Senate Student Affairs)

Katherine Harman discussed the technology support and services at Dalhousie University and the report they conducted, where faculty said that technology support was mostly inefficient. She asked council for their perspective in technology, assessments of their use and suggestions for the future.

C. DUGS

The Dalhousie Urban Garden Society introduced themselves, discussed their goals, and presented their initiatives and problems they've encountered to council and announced the time for their AGM.

D. WUSC

The World University Service of Canada gave an introduction to their organization, what the student refugee program looks like at Dalhousie, and what they have been doing in the past year.

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board Caucus

Abawayj gave us updates on the board and their meetings that they have had as well as summarized some of the projects in her biweekly update.

B. Senate Caucus

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Reid said they had a meeting on February 14th and the main part of the meeting was to discuss the budget consultation process. Board members were fairly critical of the budget consultation process and the BAC in general, and the processes which they had been following.

8. OLD BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Reid gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Makohoniuk gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Ryan gave an overview of his written report at the meeting.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Abawajy gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Keddy gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2017-03-01: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Kilgour

MOTION 2017-03-01: A03 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM

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CALL TO ORDER at 6:06 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

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|------------------------|--|
| Mitchell Brown | Chair |
| Julia Guk | Recording Secretary (non-voting) |
| Kathleen Reid | President |
| Amina Abawajy | Vice-President (Academic and External) |
| Dylan Ryan | Vice-President (Finance and Operations) |
| Kelsey Keddy | Vice-President (Student Life) |
| Rhiannon Makohoniuk | Vice-President (Internal) |
| Bart Soroka | BOG Representative |
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OTHERS PRESENT

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2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2017-03-22: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Goodwin

MOTION 2017-03-22: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-03-22: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to add a presentation from DMCRT.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Abawayj

MOTION 2017-03-22: A02 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-03-22: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted the agenda as amended.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Purcell

MOTION 2017-03-22: A03 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2017-03-22: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the March 1 meeting be accepted.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Tremblay

MOTION 2017-03-22: M01 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

From Davide and Katie Douglas.

5. APPOINTMENTS

6. PRESENTATIONS

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A. Verity Turpin (Student Wellness)

Verity Turpin talked about the successes of Student Wellness so far, which goals they have met, and gave data as to what changes have occurred over the past semester.

B. Strategic Enrollment Management

Arig al Shaibah talked about their growth plans and enrolment strategies to guide Dalhousie's recruitment planning, and circulated some documents highlighting their enrollment goals.

2 minute recess: Ryan, 2nd: Reid.

C. DMCRT

The President and the VPA of DMCRT gave a presentation about their student organization, including a report of their accomplishments this year, how they operate, and their goals for the future.

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board Caucus

Reid said that they have a meeting coming up with fee hike proposals. She said they had a meeting with Cassie Martel and the incoming DASA rep, and asked councillors if they had statements from how hikes were affecting their constituencies that they could provide them to Reid. The next BOG meeting is April 18th.

B. Senate Caucus

Both Reid and Abawayj had to miss the last Senate meeting.

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. Domestic Health Plan

MOTION 2017-03-22: N01

Whereas the DSU passed a referendum in 2014-15 allowing it to increase the cost of the Domestic Health & Dental Plan based on inflation and claims experience;

Whereas the DSU Dental Plan is currently 24% underfunded based on claims experience;

Whereas costs are projected to increase by up to 7% each year;

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the DSU shall increase the cost of the Health & Dental Plan from \$270.00 to \$284.00 for the 2017-18 academic year and shall adopt at least 3% annual increases every year thereafter.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Reid

MOTION 2017-03-22: N01 CARRIED

B. International Health Plan

MOTION 2017-03-22: N02

Whereas the DSU has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the University for the provision of the International Health Plan;
Whereas the market survey demonstrated that \$676 is the lowest price that the DSU can obtain a plan to fulfill the current International Health Plan;
Whereas the MOU dictates that an extra \$18 be collected to fund the International Student Emergency Bursary and \$6 be collected to fund the Surplus Fund.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The DSU shall increase the cost of the International Health Plan to \$700 for the 2017-18 academic year.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Reid

MOTION 2017-03-22: N02 CARRIED

B. DAGS Loan Agreement

MOTION 2017-03-22: N03

Whereas the DSU Council motioned to adopt the DAGS Loan Agreement;
Whereas signatories of DAGS have been unavailable to sign the document;
Whereas the situation under which DAGS applied for a special request regarding their debt has changed by continuing to operate in a financially irresponsible way;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The DSU shall retract the current offer regarding DAGS outstanding debt, forgive no outstanding debt and reopen debt repayment negotiations with DAGS.

(See complete agreement attached in the Council Package.)

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Reid

MOTION 2017-03-22: N03 CARRIED

9. NEW BUSINESS

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10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Reid gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Makohoniuk gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Ryan gave an overview of his written report at the meeting.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Abawayj gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Keddy gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2017-03-22: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Makohoniuk **Seconded:** Abawayj

MOTION 2017-03-22: A03 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 PM

**PRESIDENT
KATHLEEN REID
REPORT TO COUNCIL**

March 1st 2017 to March 19th 2017

Contact at:

president@dsu.ca

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INTERNAL

GM Review

- Evaluation and writing process of the general manager review is still ongoing. Met with an external expert on administrative evaluation on the best strategies. He will be working on an annual template that future presidents can use to make sure the process is the most effective it can be.

Transition

- Officially having regular meetings with GM (Craig) to plan the executive transition. We have started scheduling the 2 week period with sessions and workshops, as well as started creating the retreat plans.
- I am working on a transition report templates so we can have a uniform structure across execs.

EXTERNAL

Office Hours and Tabling

- Exec office hours are set:
 - President (Kathleen) Monday and Wednesday 11am to 1pm
 - VP Internal (Rhiannon) Wednesday 2pm to 4pm and Thursday 10am to 12pm
 - VP Finance and Operations (Dylan) Monday 10am to 1pm and Thursday 2pm to 4pm
 - VP Academic and External (Amina) Tuesday 11am to 2pm and Wednesday 2pm to 4pm
 - VP Student Life (Kelsey) Monday 9am to 11am and Thursday 8am to 10am
- If these times do not work for you, you can always reach out via email to set a meeting time.

Sexton Services Survey

- Josh (Sexton Director) and I have put out a survey asking sexton students to help us find out more about issues specific to them, what services they need, what events they want to see, ect. By filling out this survey students are automatically be entered to win one of 2 \$50 gift certificates to superstore.
- Names will be drawn Wednesday March 29th.
- Please circulate this to folks if it is relevant to your constituencies.
- here is the link: <http://www.dsu.ca/sexton-student-survey>

PRESIDENT KATHLEEN REID REPORT TO COUNCIL

March 1st 2017 to March 19th 2017

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Board of Governors:

- Had a skype meeting with Cassie (AC rep) and their incoming DASA president Jeremy to talk about strategies for the upcoming BOG meeting where we will vote on the budget.

University Senate

- Attended a SPGC (Senate Planning and Governance Committee) on March 15th.
- Joined the working group for senate composition that should be coming up with a solution before May 2017.

Search Committee for the new University Registrar

- We finished the final stages of interviews and will be releasing decisions very shortly. This process is very confidential but I can disclose we have now narrowed our candidate pool to people and the committee is confident in our options.

Student Services Meet Ups

- Continuing bi-weekly meetings with the Student Services team to connect on student issues, and important current points.

Senior Administration Meetings

- I had to miss the Breakfast meeting on March 8th because of elections, but Dylan (VPFO), Kelsey (VPSL), and Rhiannon (VPI) represented the squad.

Sexton Campus Renewal Project Development Committee

- Continuing meeting about the Development of Sexton campus, as renovations for several new buildings on Sexton begins.
- Have now joined the Sexton Futures Subcommittee

International Women's Week

- Went to the Halifax International Women's Day Breakfast with the department of labour and advanced education.
- Collaborated with the South House to organize a post women's march event to hold space for those who didn't feel comfortable or welcomed at the marches.
- We also worked with South House to host a facilitated discussion called: From 53% to the Women's March: Self Righteous Liberalism Post Trump.

Strategic Enrolment Management Steering Committee

- Attended one of the public SEM consultations on March 16th. Each of the committee members were to attend at least one consultation to help answer questions and to provide different perspectives.

PRESIDENT KATHLEEN REID REPORT TO COUNCIL

March 1st 2017 to March 19th 2017

ADVOCACY

Sexton Spaces

- Josh and I are working on getting summer service hours on sexton extended for this year. We are also helping some planning students in attempting to get a communication board up for Architecture and Planning students.

Tabling

- Amina, Dylan, Rhiannon, and myself have scheduled specific days to table with the DSU street team. I will be tabling at sexton this Wednesday!
- Look out for Tuesday through Thursday on all different campuses and locations!

University Club Accessibility Project

- Had a meeting with Rhiannon and Michael (DSU E&A) to look into and compare current policies that exist at different universities.
- Brought this up at the NDP during Lobby Week as the NDP has expressed wanting to amend changes to the proposed accessibility bill that is already in house. The NDP is very receptive to changing the policy to include implementing accessibility standards on buildings that already exist.

Past items on this issue:

- Met with Dr. Florizone on the issue, to let him know about the motion passed at council. He expressed genuine interest in getting involved in the process. We will be meeting with VP Advancement (Peter Fardy) to talk about a possible fundraising approach for this project.
- Set up a DSU committee to work on this issue, consisting of the E&A office, General Manager (Craig Kennedy), and some executives.
- Currently working to set up the next meeting of this committee, and have tasked specific members to do some research, looking for what reports and audits already exist about accessibility on campus. We will be reviewing these reports at our next meeting, to decide what work still needs to be done to make a case for funding for the project.

Survivor Support

- Rhiannon and I successfully ran a Levy to create a DSU Survivor Support Centre!

Vice President (Finance & Operations)

REPORT TO COUNCIL

March 1st, 2017 to March 22nd 2017

INTERNAL

Budget drafting:

- Met with department heads
- Reviewed submissions
- Drafted budget
- Conducting consultations Monday in Council Chambers and Wednesday in the TRoom! See Facebook event ("Budgets & Cookies")

Grants:

- Grants & sponsorship have been exhausted for the year. Working to increase these amounts for next year in the budget!

Audits:

- Audits continue to trickle in and we attempt to get them back out ASAP.

Election:

- Lots of time spent on getting election ready with the new platform. Will be working with the University to ensure the process to ensure that future CROs can facilitate this instead. Need data sharing to be vastly expedited next year as we were left in a very risky position timing wise. As well, will be reviewing the use of BigPulse as it didn't function exactly as was expected.

OPERATIONS

Food Service Plan:

- Met with international student reps, conducted a survey around priorities and met with our consultations to work on language of KPI's and other clauses in our next food service agreement.

Farmers Market:

- Working with the Member Services Coordinator, GM and Controller to build a plan for the Market for next year.

St Paddy's Day:

- St Paddy's Day was reasonably attended at the SUB. Crowds were split between the McInnes and Grawood all day with the final act taking place in the Grawood.

SERVICES

Vice President (Finance & Operations)
REPORT TO COUNCIL

March 1st, 2017 to March 22nd 2017

Health Plan:

- Met with our broker several times as we investigated the performance of our plan and the steps we'll need to take to ensure the plan's longevity. See motion.
- Met with our broker re: International Health Plan market survey. An increase is necessary if we want to continue to provide this for the University. Met with international reps regarding this and some issues that have been causing increased usage. See motion.

Vice President (Student Life)

Kelsey Keddy

vpstudentlife@dsu.ca

SUB 280

Council Report – For Council meeting March 22st , 2017

Monday, February 26th, 2017- Sunday, March 19th, 2017

CONGRATS to the income exec team!

President: Amina Abawajy

Vice President Internal: Alex Hughes

Vice President Finance and Operations: Chantal Khoury

Vice President Academic and External: Masuma Khan

Vice President Student Life: Cory Larsen

Internal

Communications

- Continuing to push content on our social media (facebook, Instagram, twitter). Started to use Snapchat for promotions and communications with students! Average views per story is ~600.

Student Life Committee

- This committee meets every other Wednesday (opposite to council) in Board Room A at 7pm... ALL ARE WELCOME!

Student Life Commissioners

- Hired 3 commissioners with difference focus/aim before the end of they year
- In the works: Family movie day (geared towards student parents and those looking for a chill afternoon), Grad Student Wine and Cheese, Settlers of Catan Tournament on Sexton Campus

University Relations

Bi-Weekly University Meetings

- Continuing bi-weekly meetings with Verity Turpin, Executive Director of Student Wellness and Chauncey Kennedy, Executive Director of Student Life
- Bi-weekly lunches with the other members of the executive and the administration's student services team.

Impact Awards

- Co-chair of the nominations committee.
- All award winners have been notified.
- Event is sold out aka all tickets have been distributed
- Hosts and performances have been confirmed.
- New Gold D pins have arrived.
- Event is taking place March 23rd in McInnes room.
- Order of ceremonies has been completed and the script is nearly done.

Programming & Events

Wellness Room

- Regular programming has been a hit and is continuing to be offered to students.
- Mental Health Awareness Week:
 - o Hosted 3 facebook live sessions on the following topics: Everyday stress management (916 views), Body positivity (1.2 k views), and Sex & consent (901 views)
 - o Hosted Essential Oils Workshop that highlighted natural alternative to wellness
 - o Organized a “Stigma Smash” where dozens of students got the chance to write the mental health stigma that they wished to see eradicated on a dish and smash it (literally)
 - o Great week in partnership with Student Health Promotion.

OPOP Conference

- Partnering with students and DSUSO on the Our Poles Our Planet conference with a focus on sustainability took place on March 6th, 2017
- Event featured multiple keynotes and workshops from local and national experts.
- Conference was the first ever Halifax event in the series that consisted of 4 student run conferences around the country.
- Saw attendance of round 70 students and community members.

TEDx

- TEDx DalhousieU 2017, March 12th: Understanding Uncertainty
- Speakers : Sanford Hare, Dr. Srin Sampalli, Loran Morrison, Senator Wanda Thomas Bernard Tareq Hadhad, Dr. Adrienne Weeks, Susan Fitzgerald
- Event was a huge success with amazing speakers
- Survey has been sent to all in attendance to gather feedback for future years
- This year’s coordination will be attending TEDfest in Brooklyn, NY to gain status as a licensee of TED to ensure our ability to produce such events in the future.
- HUGE shout out to all the volunteers, Exec team and Jessica Basta for their incredible hard work!
- Attendance was around 150 which was lower than past years. The team is review promotion approach and writing a report for the next exec. National basketball championship in the city likely took away student who would have otherwise attended.

Council Social

- Please check your emails for a link to fill out a doodle pool

Athletics and Receptions

U Sports Final 8 Basketball Championship (National Varsity Championship)

- Sold 389 discounted tickets for student from our Info desk!
- Pep-Rally at Spilt Crow was near capacity (and decorated with some pretty festive tiger balloon)
- Gave away buffs, face paint, and bracelets at the game.
- Dalhousie Investment Society won the society competition which gave them a free SkyBox complimentary of Labatt.

Dalhousie Student Union – Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 5th, 6:00 PM – Council Chambers

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Dalhousie Student Union – Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 5th, 6:00 PM – Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER at 6:01 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

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|------------------------|--|
| Mitchell Brown | Chair |
| Julia Guk | Recording Secretary (non-voting) |
| Kathleen Reid | President |
| Amina Abawajy | Vice-President (Academic and External) |
| Dylan Ryan | Vice-President (Finance and Operations) |
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COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Lina El-Satouhy

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

Aaron Sheppard, Noreen Mabiza

Dalhousie Student Union – Council Meeting

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OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2017-04-05: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Purcell **Seconded:** Tremblay

MOTION 2017-04-05: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-04-05: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to withdraw Mary Purcell's motion.

Moved: Purcell **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2017-04-05: A02 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-04-05: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted to add George-Jim's motion about striking an ad-hoc Elections Review Committee for the past year's election.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Douglas

MOTION 2017-04-05: A03 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-04-05: A04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

Moved: Tremblay **Seconded:** Ryan

MOTION 2017-04-05: A04 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2017-04-05: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the March 22 meeting be accepted.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Kilgour

Dalhousie Student Union – Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 5th, 6:00 PM – Council Chambers

MOTION 2017-04-05: M01 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

The Chair received regrets from Lina El-Satouhy.

5. APPOINTMENTS

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. Arig al Shaibah & Jasmine Walsh (Diversity and Inclusive Strategy)

Arig al Shaibah and Jasmine Walsh discussed their strategies and frameworks for their mission to achieve a collegial culture grounded in diversity and inclusiveness, including their three steps in establishing this framework, and how they are following them in the coming year.

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Executive Review Committee (ERC)

Mitch Brown talked about the role of the ERC and the conversations they have been having with the executive members of the DSU. He will be giving the report as soon as it is finalized and passing it on to the next council for their use as well. He talked about the main themes that came out of discussions of executives, which included things like: better transition reports, staff maps of who the staff supports and networks are, and having a clearer representation of each semester's roles.

B. Senate Caucus

Abawayj talked about how they saw a presentation for more gender-neutral washrooms, and had discussions about indigenous education initiatives. Reid said that the ad-hoc committee will consult with her about student senate seats, and hopes to have student senators appointed over the summer to have them in fully in for September 1st.

C. BOG

Reid said that there has not been a BOG meeting since last council, BOG went to an academic & student affairs meeting. George-Jim went to a community affairs meeting, discussed indigenous practices of universities in Canada that was approved by Senate that will hopefully be approved by the Board soon as well.

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Soroka said that he has heard work being done on the Agricultural campus on ensuring that it's a better place for students and discussed some concerns about biohazards that are being worked on.

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. DAGS Debt Negotiations

MOTION 2017-04-05: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Dalhousie Student Union loan the Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students \$49,593.57 CAD and allow them to make 10 annual payments of \$3967.49 for a total of 39674.90. If and when this is complete, the DSU shall forgive the remaining amount.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT as of May 1st, 2017 the Dalhousie Student Union shall no longer play any role in facilitating the DAGS payroll for staff – the single largest source of debt creation.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT as of May 1st, 2017 the Dalhousie Student Union shall no longer afford accounting assistance to DAGS that is not afforded to every other society.& Dental Plan from \$270.00 to \$284.00 for the 2017-18 academic year and shall adopt at least 3% annual increases every year thereafter.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Reid

MOTION 2017-04-05: N01 CARRIED

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Ad Hoc Committee to review Elections Policy

MOTION 2017-04-05: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT there is an Ad Hoc Committee that shall conduct a review on Elections Policy, with details on this motion from Kati George-Jim.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Prosper

MOTION 2017-04-05: N03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this motion is tabled until other items are dealt with on the Agenda.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Bulman

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MOTION 2017-04-05: N03 CARRIED

Abstentions: Tremblay

MOTION 2017-04-05: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kati George-Jim's motion be amended to include a representative for the Disabilities rep, LGBTQ+ Community, and a person of colour member at large, as well as to include a plausible quorum: 7 members of the committee.

Moved: Prosper **Seconded:** Makohoniuk

MOTION 2017-04-05: N05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the motion (**N04**) be amended to add an international seat as well.

Moved: Abawayj **Seconded:** Reid

MOTION 2017-04-05: N05 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-04-05: N04 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-04-05: N06

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the motion (**N03**) be amended to consult with the DASA executive under Subclause D.

Moved: Martel **Seconded:** Reid

MOTION 2017-04-05: N06 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-04-05: N02 CARRIED

B. DSAS Operations Policy

MOTION 2017-04-05: N07

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this motion be tabled until next council meeting.

Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** De Cicco

MOTION 2017-04-05: N07 CARRIED

C. VPFO: Financial Policy

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MOTION 2017-04-05: P01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council take a 3 minute recess.

Moved: Reid **Seconded:** Tremblay

MOTION 2017-04-05: P01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-04-05: P02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Policy be amended to ensure that council is empowered to modify the budget at any meeting.

Moved: Soroka **Seconded:** Coady

MOTION 2017-04-05: P02 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-04-05: P03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Policy be amended in Section A to read “Submit a Budget Before October 1st...” etc with timelines.

Moved: Soroka **Seconded:** Prosper

MOTION 2017-04-05: P03 WITHDRAWN

D. VPFO: Final Budget

MOTION 2017-04-05: P04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Final Budget be approved.

Moved: Prosper **Seconded:** Tremblay

MOTION 2017-04-05: P04 CARRIED

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Reid gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

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Makohoniuk gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Ryan gave an overview of his written report at the meeting.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Abawajy gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Keddy gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2017-04-05: A05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Brown **Seconded:** Keddy

MOTION 2017-04-05: A05 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 PM

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1. ROLL CALL

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2017-04-05: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2017-04-05: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the 2017-03-22 Council meeting be accepted.

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Vice President (Internal)

Rhiannon Makohoniuk

Report to Council

Monday, March to Sunday April 2nd

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INTERNAL

- Societies
 - Ratifications coming to a slow end as the year rounds out!
 - Society Space Allocation being finalized this week but big things including getting some cubicles up in the society hub and seeing lots more societies have access to space – be it office or cubicle.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

- Dal Reads Committee – getting closer to picking a book for Dal Reads next year! Very exciting stuff – showcasing an Indigenous author through this program next year.
- Sexual Violence Policy – most current draft is done and is looking pretty good. Going to be getting some student feedback over the next couple weeks to make it better so that we can roll it out for September!
- Gender Affirmation Policy – something else that is big and awesome coming down the pipe from dal to represent and protect trans/ gender non-conforming students on campus that is actually very affirming of gender and trans experiences! Let me know if you wanna chat about this.
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SERVICES

- Survivor Support
 - Hammered out a plan for setting the next executive up for success! Laid out some short and long term goals for a vision/ mandate of what the Survivor Support Office.
- E&A Office
 - Meeting with the staff to go over the past year and lay some foundation for the next year of the office.
- Active Listening Service
 - Wrapping up now, and working with the Commissioner
 -

PROGRAMMING AND EVENTS

- Sat on an LGBTQ+ student experience panel put on by South House and HRES (I believe), fun times chatting with other Q & T students about real experiences and struggles on campus and in classrooms.
- Gala Season~!!! – Shoutout to DASA’s Africa Night, DISA International Night, INDISA Night, DMCRT gala, DISS’s Nowrouz and the Impact Awards!
- Volunteered at the Youth Project’s GSA Conference and let me tell you – trans and queer youth are the most precious and amazing souls on this earth.
- SHOUTOUT TO AMINA for putting on a wonderful Racial Justice Symposium. Got to attend the BLM-TO talk/ panel and it was very inspiring (much like Amina inspires me all the time).

Vice President (Student Life)

Kelsey Keddy

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Council Report – For Council meeting April 4th, 2017

Monday, March 20th, 2017- Sunday, April 2nd, 2017

COUNCIL SOCIAL – TOMORROW NIGHT, 7PM AT BOARD ROOM CAFÉ (Downtown Location)

Internal

Communications

- Continuing to push content on our social media (facebook, Instagram, twitter). Started to use Snapchat for promotions and communications with students! Average views per story is ~600.

Student Life Committee

- This committee meets every other Wednesday (opposite to council) in Board Room A at 7pm... ALL ARE WELCOME!
- Preparing for exam stress relief through “kit” distribution (snacks, jokes, compliments) on Sexton, Carleton and study campuses.

Transition

- Working on transition to report for Cory.. it’s a long one

University Relations

Bi-Weekly University Meetings

- Continuing bi-weekly meetings with Verity Turpin, Executive Director of Student Wellness and Chauncey Kennedy, Executive Director of Student Life
- Bi-weekly lunches with the other members of the executive and the administration’s student services team.

Impact Awards

- Event was amazing and it was great to see so many students receiving awards!
- Logistics went well, tech was perfect and photo video booths were well used
- Follow up meeting to discuss done well/do betters is to take place.

Orientation Committee

- Met to discuss the results of survey data
- Began discussions on coherent language for promotions this year
- Went over committee roles and structure and a new terms of reference is to be created

Programming & Events

Sexton T-Room Friday Night Programming

- -Hosted board game nights as a part of a stress relief event initiative at the T-Room for the past two weeks
- - Another Board game night will take place this week
- Snacks (grilled cheese, chips etc) are provided
- Attendance has been around 60 people from start to finish.
- Board games and a bookshelf have been purchased to leave the game at Sexton for folks to use when the T-Room is open
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March Madness

- Hosted view party in the T-Room for the finals of March Madness in collaboration with T-Room, Eng students and DUES
- Provided free pup food
- Attendance was over 100 ppl

Gala Season!

- Attended African Night, Nowruz (Iranian New Year), Indisa Night. Lots of fun at each!

TEDx

- This years TEDx coordinator is being send to TEDfest in Brooklyn
- Attendance is mandatory in order to continue hosting the TEDx conference at Dal

Council Social

- Thursday, March 6th at 7pm Board Room Café (Downtown)

Orientation

- Set up meetings with swag providers
- Attended university orientation committee
- Preparing Leader applications
- Preparing applications for sponsorship coordinator and o-week coordinator