

DSU Council Report

The Elections Committee has met every week this semester except for the past two weeks. There has been a lot of work done to make sure that the elections will run as smoothly as possible. Here is a summary of the things that we have been discussing:

1. Debates:
 - a. We hope to be able to have a debate for each executive position (President, VP Internal, VP Academic and External, VP Finance and Operations, and VP Student Life)
 - b. In addition to that we will also hopefully have a question period towards the end of the campaign period that is open to all candidates with a strong emphasis on the representative positions.
 - c. All the debates will be videotaped and then put on our YouTube page.
 - d. The questions for the debate have all been decided on and there was a call out to Dalhousie students to submit questions that they would like to see at the debates.
 - e. Dates: Thursday March 1, Monday-Thursday March 5-8 (Location: 2 on Sexton and 3 on Studley campus); March 9 for the Q&A Period (Location: TBA)
2. Candidate Only Events
 - a. We are in the middle of trying to book a room that we would designate as a Candidates Only lounge. The idea behind this is a room where candidates can destress and not have to worry about being in the public. There would hopefully be some snacks (granola bars, candy, fruit) and some stress balls or other destressing things
 - b. We also looked into perhaps doing potluck style dinner for the candidates but are still trying to see if it will fit in the schedule.
3. Trip to the Agricultural Campus
 - a. We have tentatively planned out a schedule and a date for that (March 10) but we have not gotten in touch with the Agricultural Campus yet
4. Social Media/Promotion
 - a. We have gotten in touch with Paul about some ideas for social media campaigns and about creating a schedule for when to post on social media
5. Regulations
 - a. We have gotten in touch with Meghan for recommendations on the regulations for the elections so we can post an updated version of that