

**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.

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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.

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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.