



VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC & EXTERNAL

Report to DSU Council for Wednesday September 14th, 2016

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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