

Vice President (Student Life)

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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 poll

Athletics and Recreations

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.