

Monthly Executive Report to the Students' Representative Council

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Meetings

Bi-Weekly check-in Meeting w/ President & SEC Meeting

I had my bi-weekly check-ins with the President as well as my SEC meetings with the rest of the executives.

I have also scheduled meetings with the General Manager and the President to discuss updates with Campus Trust.

The SEC reviewed three funding applications from clubs & societies.

Miscellaneous

Finance Policy update

I and the President worked on updating the STUSU's Finance Policy to make prominent the changes that had been passed by last SRC.

Website update

I answered some miscellaneous housekeeping emails throughout the month and finished updating the profiles on the STUSU website.

More than Tuition Campaign

The executives worked on putting the preparing and executing the More Than Tuition Campaign that went live earlier in June.

Clubs & Societies

I finished making a complete list of active clubs & societies on campus and updating their contact information.

I also answered emails from some clubs & societies representatives that either had some technological problems as well as questions regarding how to access approved funding.

Lastly, I began putting the final touches on the clubs & societies training which will takes place before the school year begins.

Campus Trust- Assembly of Participation Organization

The executives had a meeting to decide what the rates for the Campus Trust Health and Dental Plan would look like this year. Once decided, the rates were sent to the General Manger, Tina for bookkeeping.

From June 20th to 24th, the General Manager and I went to Toronto for the Campus Trust APO. During the week, we were briefed about the operations of the Trust and what new things are happening with the health and dental plans. The APO was also an opportunity for us to connect with the administrators of Campus Trust as well as our investment managers to see how the Trust is doing financially. The conference also allowed the STUSU to connect with other members of the Trust and observe how their health and dentals plans are doing in order to gain new insights.

In preparation for the APO, the first two weeks of June were spent reading the documents (Board of Director meeting minutes, Trust Agreements and Plan Agreements etc.,) in order to be better prepared for the conference

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Meetings

Senate Meeting:

I attend the monthly Senate meetings where we discuss academic related matters and concerns. As VP Education, I am responsible for preparing a report the week before the meeting which I present at the meeting. This report updates the Senate on the work and initiatives the STUSU team as a whole is currently taking on.

Meeting with Student Senator:

I had a meeting with the new Student Senator for the upcoming academic year to discuss the role of student senators and potential academic initiatives.

SEC Meetings

The executive team meets on Sundays to discuss on-going projects and report to each other what we have been working on respectively.

Advocacy Meeting: More than Tuition Campaign

The team is in the midst of planning the "More Than Tuition Campaign." This campaign was launched at the beginning of the June and will continue into Advocacy Week. Anahi and I the VP Student Life, are working on creating a survey as a part of this campaign. The purpose of the campaign is to dismiss the assumption that tuition alone is the source of the majority of post-secondary education expenses.

SMUSA/STUSU Meeting

I had a meeting with St. Mary's University's Student Union to discuss federal advocacy and our plans to get involved in the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA)>

Senior Admin Meeting

President, Alex, and I had a meeting with the University's senior administration team. At this meeting, Alex and I presented the main pillars of our priorities document and discussed ways we could support each other and cooperate to advance student interests. From here on out, the executive team will have monthly meetings with Dr. Kim Fenwick and Karen Preston, the Registrar.

Meeting with Jennica Atwin

President, Alex, and I had a meeting with Member of Parliament Jennica Atwin where we introduced ourselves and provided an overview of our priorities at both the provincial and federal level. We look forward to building relationships at all levels of government to strength our advocacy.

New Brunswick Student Alliance (NBSA)

As VP Education, I serve as the Primary Delegate and Alex serves alongside me as Secondary Delegate. The New Brunswick Student Alliance is a provincial student organization representing students from universities across New Brunswick. The NBSA is our partner on provincial advocacy initiatives. I look forward to working with the NBSA as advocacy partners to further amplify the student voice.

Reports concerning NBSA include:

- **NBSA Foundation Conference:** President Alex and I attended the NBSA Foundations Conference. Alex and I will serve on the Board of Directors. Now that we have a comprehensive understanding of provincial advocacy, we look forward to the Policy Conference later in the summer where we will decide on our priorities at the provincial level.

Canadian Alliance of Student Association (CASA)

The Canadian Alliance of Student Association (CASA) is an advocacy student organization on the federal level. In contrast to the NBSA, CASA is our federal advocacy partner. Again, I serve as Primary delegate while President Alex serves as Secondary delegate for STUSU. Reports concerning CASA include:

- CASA Foundation Conference: Alex (President) and I travelled to the CASA Foundation Conference which was held in Ottawa from June 5th-June 10th. This conference taught us everything federal advocacy from the political climate and actors in PSE matters, policy-making procedures and an overview of federal/provincial jurisdictions. I was elected to serve on the National Advocacy Committee, where I will represent STU and our federal advocacy partners.

Miscellaneous

Pride Month

STU SU is working on a social media campaign for Pride Month to invite students to share what pride means for them. We look forward to attending the Fredericton Pride Parade in August!

Presidential Search Committee

This week I attended a Presidential Search Committee Meeting, I am the student representative on this Committee and will be serving this role in the upcoming academic year.

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Meetings

MayDay:

I had a meeting with Mariah from MayDay, where we discussed the new style of the STU Agenda for this upcoming year.

STUSU Welcome Week Chair:

I met with Emily and STUSU President to discuss more about Shinerama or other fundraising ideas that can be held during welcome week.

Vice President of Education-Julia Evans:

Julia and I met this month to create a discuss ideas for the survey that is part of the #morethantuition campaign to hear more about what the student body has to say about tuition increase for this academic year.

Vice President of Student Wellness of UNBSU - Ridhi Sharma

Ridhi and I met to discuss how both UNB, and STU students can be more aware of student-run business. We also brainstorm more ideas on how we can help small students' business around campuses.

Miscellaneous

Maritime Student Congress:

I attend MSC this month where students around the Maritimes learn about the history of the student movement, advocacy, Indigenization, administration, and student problems.

Emergency Bursary:

The Emergency Bursary email was monitored every day to see if we had received any applications. We received one application for the month of June.

Community Food Smart

Through the month of May I was checking email to look for orders; however, we did not receive any orders for the month of June.