

Executive Report

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President – Kordell Walsh

Happy June folks! It's hard to believe we're almost a month and a half into the summer already! Things have been going by so fast in the office. Since my last update, I have taken 1.5 days off for vacation. I also have some upcoming vacation scheduled from June 13-15th.

SOAR

Since our last update, I attended Spring Advising, Orientation, and Registration (SOAR) with the rest of the team! I sat on a panel with Amanda where we answered questions about the Student Union and life on campus. We also had many great conversations with incoming students and their supporters!

Key Meetings

I also attended a meeting with Jenica Atwin with Rose and Amanda, where we discussed Rose's new role and some priorities of advocacy for the coming year as well as points of collaboration.

I attended a meeting with David Emerson and Rose, where we once again discussed Rose's new role, points of collaboration, the NBSA, and the state of post-secondary advocacy in the province. David Emerson is a great resource, and left us with many great ideas and directions to move forward with.

I attended a meeting with the President and VP Student Life of Algoma University Student Union in Ontario. Their University has seen a lot of growth the past few years, and their SU has struggled to pace with that growth effectively - so they were looking to meet with many SUs about growth and about restructuring.

The Federal Government is undergoing a review of the federal Employment Equity Act. On behalf of CASA and the ~350,000 students we represent, I attended a roundtable discussion with the Employment Equity Act Review Taskforce; with other

stakeholders in the discussion including the Canadian Council for Youth Prosperity, the Assembly of First Nations Youth Council, Force Jeunesse, and the Canadian Roots Exchange. I had 2 meetings with Mackenzy, CASA's executive director to prepare for this roundtable, as well as spent most of a day conducting research and preparing for the discussion. One of our primary perspectives was to ask for the designated groups to be modernized (currently it is 4 groups: women, persons with disabilities, Aboriginal peoples, and members of visible minorities) to include members of the LGBTQ+ and Two-Spirited communities as well as consulting with these designated groups to ensure the designation titles are reflective of preferred naming. It was a fantastic discussion, and lots was learned from the other organizations.

I attended CASA Foundations Conference with Rose in Ottawa from Monday to Thursday this past week. There were a lot of great sessions, and far too many to highlight all of them here (but if you have any questions, I'd be more than happy to expand or answer). We had presentations from various stakeholders, and met with student representatives and staff from over 20 other student associations across the country. At Foundations, I ran for the Board of Directors of CASA, and was elected to be CASA's Director of Advocacy for the coming year! I am really excited about this opportunity to continue my work with CASA's Board, and to continue to represent UNB student at a national scale!

Other business:

- I attended Student Standings and Promotions
- I attended a monthly meeting with Kathy Wilson
- The executive met with Kevin Abraham, our International Student Rep, to discuss the possibility and direction of a potential e-scooter business on campus
- I met with Rose to discuss possible policy priorities stemming from feedback we have received and the overall political landscape currently
- I started some of the planning for Action Plan 2023's renewal
- Various odds and ends + administrative work

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions!

Vice President Student Wellness - Ridhi Sharma

Happy June, everyone! I hope everyone is enjoying the summers and taking time to themselves! The pace has picked up here and I am excited to share what I have been doing.

I would like to begin by acknowledging June celebrates National Indigenous History Month and marks the beginning of Pride Season. We recognize the resilience and

contributions and reaffirm our commitment to stand in solidarity with the Indigenous and 2SLGBTQIA+ communities.

Student-Run Businesses Fair

This initiative will provide student-run businesses with a platform to promote and connect with the UNB student community. So, the idea is to work with the students for students. I created a google form with basic questions about one's business and promotions. The submissions will help me compile a list that not only will serve as a resource on our website but will also help me gauge the logistics for the event. As the focus is on the start-ups run by the current student population, I decided to do a call-out with the help of Lydia. We also highlighted that these businesses will get free promotions on our platforms and our student agenda. I also reached out to Dr. David Foord, a Professor in the Faculty of Management, who directed me to the Registrar's Office. I have heard a positive response from STUSU on collaboration, so there will be future talks on that end. Also, a student had brought to our notice that there were some issues in accessing the form, so Lydia and I are currently working on them and will adjust the deadline accordingly.

Finally, I would appreciate it if you folks can help promote this opportunity, and feel free to reach out if you are aware of any businesses.

Sex Week Brainstorm

I have reached out to SVN and Dr. Byers, a Professor in the Department of Psychology, regarding potential collaborations. Dr. Byers expressed interest in meeting in July after her sabbatical and directed me to Dr. O' Sullivan and her graduate students. The main concept for this week is to promote healthy talks and education while creating fun and engagement opportunities for students. There will be many talks, in the form of lunch series, bingo, artwork, etc. One of the ideas is to have a lunch series during the week touching on diverse topics that can include sexual healing, intercultural dating, genitalia taboo and myths, foreplay, communication, masturbation, aftercare, setting realistic ideas of sex, unblurred lines in relationships and consent, mental health and sex, disability, diverse sexuality, etc. Other events can include trivia, bingo with giveaways, STBBI clinic, games, etc. I am also looking forward to meeting with Eric Zundel, prior Co-Chair and current board member of 203, and Dr. Sabine LeBel to further discuss Sex Week.

I am open to suggestions so if you would like to help with brainstorming or just wish to talk about these ideas, feel free to reach out.

Campus Culture Campaign

As I had mentioned in my prior report, this campaign encompasses BAE but isn't limited to it. I have a meeting with Eric and SVNB to discuss collaboration, expectations, and a plan. I will be addressing topics like safe sex, mental health, sexual healing, consent, naloxone, etc. I am also reaching out to the Student Accessibility Center to get their thoughts on this. I looked into the UNB's Sexual Assault Policy and had reached out to HRPEO for further discussion. I revisited the bystander intervention training and also worked through unconscious bias training from HRPEO and SafeBae. I also read through the report presented by NB on the key findings from "Roundtable on Campus Sexual Violence" in 2021.

Student Features

Throughout this month, we will cultivate knowledge about the history and cultures of the diverse indigenous and 2SLGBTQIA+ communities and their contributions to society.

I began planning for the month's celebrations for the National Indigenous History Month and Pride Season. Wrote an acknowledgment statement, and Lydia did the promotions on the history and resources available. I also started self-educating by going through a course provided by the University of Alberta on the histories and perspectives of diverse Indigenous communities across Canada. It's called Indigenous Canada and is available on Coursera. I also looked at the content in "Reconciliation: A Starting Point" which is a great reference app for education about the First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples, and reconciliation.

I have a meeting with Kianna, Nuci Putawasuwin, to discuss her thoughts on topics to share in the community. With the student features, we want to educate the community on basic terminology, history, and what we can do on an individual level. If you know anyone whose work you believe should be featured, then kindly let me know.

I also looked into initiatives and resources for Pride Season and brought this up during the board meeting with the 203. We talked about the queer peer mentoring program initiative similar to what ISAO provides, volunteer opportunities, allyship, and the power of personal stories. I will be meeting with Zach who is our 2SLGBTQIA+ Representative, Eric, and the 203 team to discuss future collaborations. As for now, they will help us with the outreach for the student features.

Sustainability Week

I reached out to Danielle Smith regarding my position on Sustainability Advisory Committee. I had met with Jacquie and Autumn to discuss the sustainability report

which discussed the logistics and impact of events. We were able to narrow down the successful events (high impact). I worked with the Sustainability Office to create a checklist for the WWF Living Planet Leader program and then began working on my LPL profile. We also discussed the planning for SDG Poster Campaign and videos. We worked on the theme for the month and week. I have decided to align the theme based on the areas of focus set by UNB. I have been researching ways and initiatives to promote the engagement of the student body in sustainability events and conversations.

Odds and Ends

- Met with a student start-up called Bend-V to discuss their product and how we can support each other.
- Met with Kevin regarding their idea about e-scooters as well as ideas for International Day.
- I continued my work on the EDII coordinator job description and look forward to consultations with the respective individuals and councilors. I also looked into the EDII workshops provided by the Canadian Centre for Diversity and Inclusion (CCDI).
- I did naloxone training and researched mental health first aid.
- I also brainstormed ideas for the theme of Breaking Stereotypes which include Power of Words, Intersectionality, Performative Allyship, Intent vs Impact, and Free to be me. I also created a draft timeline for the campaign. If you would like to add ideas to this list, please let me know. I would be happy to meet with you. I will also do a poll on these themes to see the interest of the council.

Thank you so much for reading my update! Have a fantabulous week, folks! If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to email me at wellness@unbsu.ca. I look forward to working with you all!

Vice President Academic – Jillian Carson

Hello all, I hope everybody is doing well and has enjoyed the first week or so of June! I am over the dreary days we have been having this week, where has the sun gone!? Hopefully it will be back soon. The past two weeks have gone by fast, I have been in the office this past week as others have been leaving to attend some conferences in Ottawa. I will be taking some vacation time on June 10th & 13th, but will be back in the office with the team on Tuesday!

Bits and Pieces

Kordell and I have both been told about a new policy committee that is being used to discuss accessibility policies. We are both looking to ensure student representation is had on the committee and I will be reaching out to Van Lantz to discuss the student position for this committee. We chatted about this briefly with Dr. Kathy Wilson as well as the Student Accessibility Center.

I have spent time collaborating with the team on things such as the Promotion Package for the agendas as well as mental health resources, I will touch on this more below! I have also been completing some training modules that the team discussed during our retreat such as the Naloxone training that I had shared with the team from Grace Pelkey's term as VP Internal.

Rose and I had a lovely meeting last week with the Menstrual Health Society, we discussed collaborating with them on the filling of the dispenser that the SU has in the Atrium bathroom in the SUB. They were interested in this idea and we have offered to assist them with getting their new dispenser filled that is upstairs in the SUB, as well as providing them with some products for the upcoming year.

Lydia and I have spent some time in the past two weeks cleaning the Think Tank out. We are attempting to organize the space so that it is accessible and usable for the executive team to collaborate in a chill space, as well as for Councilors to use! The two of us also spent some time last Friday celebrating the Alumni graduates of 2020 & 2021, we joined the Student Services team in front of CC Jones and cheered the graduates on.

Ridhi and I have chatted about some ideas around her weeks that will happen throughout the year. We discussed reaching out to the Family Violence Issues Research Center on campus to see if they would be interested in doing some sessions during our Sex Week, I have offered to reach out to them but I am waiting for the director, Dr. Holtmann's return to office.

I was able to attend two pitches that were made to us from current students, from these meetings the team had some discussions around potential partnerships and services that we could collaborate with. We assisted both groups in navigating UNB's administration so that they may be able to move ahead quicker with their ideas and proposals.

I have reached out to ResLife to get some information for Amanda for the Agenda Promotion Packages, and to get more information about the House Committee Training that happens in the Fall and how we could get TownHouse involved. Lydia

and I have taken a lead on 'revamping' TownHouse, and will be meeting shortly to discuss our ideas more thoroughly before we hire a coordinator. I have not heard back from ResLife.

Thursday this week I spent some time collecting the Fresh Food Bags as Amanda is out of office. I contacted the students who had ordered them, and we had a successful pick up day! I also picked up the SafeRide vans as they just had their tires changed, they are all safely nestled back into the SUB parking lot.

Senate

I have not had any committees or Senate meetings in the past two weeks, but I am looking forward to officially becoming a student senator on July 1st.

Sarah DeVarenne has sent out the Senate dates for 2022-2023 and I am excited to get started with our student senators. I have added these dates to my personal calendar.

Council

I spent some time last week working on council documents that will be used for transition and updating our council directory. I am looking forward to planning our transition for the Fall! Kordell and I have spent some time chatting about what transition may look like, and whether or not we may have the opportunity to allow students to run for open positions on council before the Fall semester begins.

I am still waiting to hear from more councilors about sitting on the Selections Committee. There has been an ordinary member who has reached out to me with interest in the committee, and I am looking forward to having them join us when the committee is in use! I was able to briefly meet them last week, and I think they will be a wonderful addition to the committee.

SEMOAC

Lydia and I have continued to attend the meetings of SEMOAC. We are now discussing orientation dates since we have completed SOAR. Soon Sara Rothman and I will be meeting to discuss Commencement and I am excited to collaborate with her and continue to ensure that the Fall Commencement is inclusive, accessible and extremely welcoming for our incoming students.

Mental Health Resources on Syllabi

I have met with Rose, Amanda, & Ridhi to further discuss our ideas surrounding mental health on campus, resources, and accessibility to services. We are all quite passionate about students' wellbeing and have been collaborating on how we can better support students and their mental health - many of us like the idea of having resources readily available for students. I have met with Jack.org to discuss their Be

There program which teaches users how to support themselves and others around them. I personally think this is a very suitable, and accessible program to advertise for students and it is applicable to everybody, it is additionally full of resources that the student can also access and use.

In the past it has been under my portfolio that discussions have been had around adding mental health resources to professors' syllabi. We have been continuing these conversations, Amanda and Rose have linked me with Matt Maclean who has provided me with the current example syllabi that UNB has which includes mental health resources. I have been chatting with the team, as well as Mark Walma and Dr. Kathy Wilson on how we can advocate for more professors to be using the syllabus with these resources. We have also discussed advocating for it to be added to the accessibility policies, as more professors have been using the templates with the accessibility resources on it.

I feel like my bits & pieces section is always abnormally long, but it seems that so many small things happen that fit perfectly there! As always, if you have any questions, concerns, or needs please feel free to reach out to me at academic@unbsu.ca

Vice-President Finance & Operations - Vacant

I (Kordell) would like to use this space to chat about what has been happening on this front. Since Bhaanvi's resignation, as a team we have discussed a plan for the interim; and at that time, I quite frankly expected this process to be complete by roughly this time. However, we sadly have faced some roadblocks. Having the executives fill in this vacancy is done in accordance with bylaw 1.52.

Bylaw 1.65 outlines that when a vacancy occurs, for an executive councillor we must appoint an ordinary member (any student in good standing), by a two-thirds majority of council and hold an election in accordance with bylaw 2 if more than 5 months remain in their term.

We were hopeful that we would be able to propose to council a test-run of a summer election. This would be good for a number of reasons, in our mind:

- It would give stability, as they would be elected for the year; rather than needing to choose to run in the by-election and win
- It would leave everybody on level footing. We wouldn't have someone in an interim role for several months who would, in a sense, get an advantage in the name of experience and exposure.

- It would allow us to open other positions possibly, hopefully having a second chance to fill council.
- It would also allow us to test run a summer election

The downside obviously would be that students aren't on campus, and as such may not be as accessible and engaged resulting in low turnout. We have had (and student unions across the country have had) notably low voter turnout in recent elections through the pandemic; so the idea of it possibly falling lower is less than ideal.

What was not expected originally was the challenges in regards to executing a summer election. It has been difficult to get in contact with IT Services, and after consulting with other members of UNB's administration, it was noted to me that only students registered for summer courses would be eligible to vote. This is problematic as it drops the number of eligible voters down significantly.

Given this, my recommendation to Council is that we open applications for a VP Finance. What happened last year was that executives opened applications, conducted interviews, and called an emergency summer meeting of Council, and brought forward a recommendation to Council for approval. This doesn't necessarily have to be the process for this year; we could have the executives conduct the interviews, we could have a student representative in the interviews, or we could use Selections Committee (which is primarily councillors), should that be the will of Council; or we could do something completely different. It's really up to you folks! I would ask that folks let me know their thoughts by the end of the week; so we can be on the same page moving forward.

Vice-President Events and Services - Amanda Smith

Hello Friends! It has been a short two weeks for me. I have been on vacation Thurs and Friday each for the last two weeks. This week I am off to a country festival with my partner. I am looking forward to getting on the plane and enjoying some 30+ weather. Please feel free to reach out to me by email with questions, ideas, or suggestions: services@unbsu.ca. Wishing you a lovely weekend and couple of weeks.



Food

Fresh Food Bag program – I submitted the order to CFS and have Jill picking up the bags June 9th since I will not be in the office. If you are interested in ordering one of these bags you can order online at this link on June 15th:

<https://unbsu.typeform.com/to/JDCUIF> for \$17, or you can pay cash at the Welcome Centre for \$15!

Breakfast Program – The person I was supposed to meet with cancelled the appointment 20 minutes beforehand and I have been trying to reschedule with her.

SafeRide

All SafeRide vehicles have been taken to the shop and summer tires were put on.

Bike Co-op

FINALLY, I was able to pick up our three-brand new bikes from Sports Chek. Two weeks ago, they had called me to tell me the last one arrived, and they were going to call me later that day when it was finished being built and I would be able to pick all three up at once. They didn't call me later that day but a week later while I was out of the office on vacation. I was having a lot of trouble getting through to them, but was finally able to on June 8th, and they gave us the third bike 50% off because of the hassle.

I met with Ben Law and dropped off the bikes at the LB Gym. I met with Marc Bragdon from Research Commons at the HIL to get stickers printed for the bike helmets and locks. I highly recommend checking out the services on the 3rd floor.

Agenda

The 6 days I have been in office have been spent mainly focusing on sponsorships for the agenda and meeting different individuals around the community. Lydia and I went to Rocket Printing where we previously had our agenda printed. We met and discussed how we plan to design the agenda this year as well.

I had meetings with Gahan Riverside, UNB Alumni Office, WeSpeakStudent, RC, Mint Rentals, and GNB that resulted in confirmed ad purchases. I had meetings with Fred Tourism, Beaverbrook Art Gallery, uRec, The Fredericton Playhouse, Canadian Blood Services, Rainbow print services, Marc with research commons and will find out later if they are going to purchase ad space in the agenda. I have meetings scheduled for next week with the YFC airport, Nick from Reds, Checker Cab, and others.

I have been in contact with RBC, Fredericton Bouldering Co-op, Rogers Media, Fredericton Transit, Halimac Axe throwing, MADD -greater Fredericton, Planet Hatch, Opportunities NB, Stingray Media (new country 92.3fm), College of extended learning, Faculty of Law, The UNB Pharmacy, and others. I have been trying to do as much as I can with the three days each week I have spent in office.

Odds & Ends

- Lydia and I helped the Orientation folks with creating their sponsorship package and have that all set with them.

- Saturday May 28th, we attended SOAR and I had the chance to speak on a panel about our student benefits.
- I met with the other executives to discuss our individual focuses on mental health resources.
- I met with Kanwar to discuss a fundraising event to tie with our Bike Co-op launch potentially towards the end of July.
- Ridhi and I have a meeting with campus chat on Tuesday.
- Karen, April and I will meet next week to discuss other mental health services and how we can partner with UNB's Health Services.

Vice-President Research and Policy - Rose Grant

Hello everyone! I hope you all had a great weekend. Please let me know if you have any questions for me at policy@unbsu.ca. This week was a busy week as a delegate at CASA in Ottawa for the Foundations Conference.

Updates and CASA:

I met with Jenica Atwin to make contact with the Member of Parliament and had a general discussion about issues in the community. We discussed mental health and certain training sessions that we believe would be great for us as a Union. We discussed setting up a meeting with her youth council to further the conversation about issues in the community that affect students. We discussed policy implementation during the pandemic which will be beneficial for my role as Vice President of Research and Policy. I have made contact with her again and she expressed interest in joining in a roundtable with her Youth Council and the UNB community that I would like to organize.

I took part in the CASA Foundations Conference in Ottawa for 2022. Here I was elected to the Federal Policy Committee after making a speech. I was able to network with like minded people and took part in presentations which will allow me to start working on the first policy I will be introducing next week.

I had a monthly leadership meeting with Mark Walma of Student Services to discuss plans I have including UNBxAlumani with Lydia. If volunteers consent, we would love to showcase mental health experiences that Alumni have had to further reduce stigma. This will help students see that successful people that they aspire to have also dealt with mental health.

SOAR:

I took part in SOAR and met with some wonderful future students and parents. We received much information about the Student Insurance Plan and general services

that the Union offers including SafeRide and Food. I chatted with Mark Walma of Student Services and got to know him further. I made pamphlets with Lydia for students to take home. I handed some future students my business cards so that they can contact me with any questions that the Union can provide them about student life.

Meetings:

I had a meeting with David Emerson alongside Kordell. David Emerson is the Special Advisor to the President for government relations. I took part in the policy committee meeting with the Chamber of Commerce where I introduced myself and my role within the Union. At the meeting, we discussed plans that the Chamber has to promote certain programs within New Brunswick. I have a meeting with Kevin Abraham to discuss e-scooters on campus. I made contact with the newest Elder in Residence and I am planning on having an introductory meeting with them.

Plans:

I am researching further on mental health in New Brunswick to develop policy. I met with Fredericton Tourism on May 31st to discuss further ways we can partner to bring students comfortability and belonging in Fredericton.

This week I am further diving into the Strategic Plan we created during our retreat to start plans we have that I have responsibility for. I had a meeting alongside Ridhi, Amanda, and Jill to discuss going forward with our plan on promoting mental health resources on syllabi on campus. I had a meeting with the Mount Alison Student Union VP External Affairs to gain further insight into student issues in New Brunswick and to have a general discussion about collaboration. I had a meeting set with the Menstrual Health Society to help foster further collaboration. I also met with Kathy Wilson, the Vice President Academic of UNB for updates alongside all of the other executives.

Vice-President Communications - Lydia Chong

Wow, I feel like these past two weeks have flown by in an instant!

SOAR:

The team and I had a great time at SOAR speaking to students and their parents about the services we offer and getting to know some of our incoming class of 2022. The pamphlets were a hit and we gave our extras to Karen in the Welcome Center. At this event we also had a giveaway for a UNB bookbag with some goodies inside and I'm excited for our winner to pick it up upon her arrival to campus in the fall (I'm keeping it safe, don't worry)!

Orientation:

I had a meeting with the orientation team to discuss the theme and also logo design for O-Week 2022. I presented the 15+ versions I made and we whittled it down to our top 5 and these will be presented to the BlackShirts for finalization. Once the logo has been picked, we will start going ahead with everything O-Week!

June Recognitions:

June is Pride Month and National Indigenous History Month. I spent a lot of time at the beginning of the month researching and learning more about ways we as a SU can help better inform and provide resources for students to raise awareness and made graphics that were put out on our instagram stories! I will be reposting these again once more and Ridhi is currently working on getting student features so folks can share with us their stories and why this month is important and significant to them!

Website:

During my research for the recognition of Pride Month and NIHM, I realized our resources list on our website hasn't been updated since 2019/2020. My next project that I want to bring forward to the team is to update these resources and ensure everything is up-to-date by the time that class is back in session in the fall. We have many pages and categories listed on our website so, this will take some time, but it will be worth it.

Agenda:

Amanda and I are starting to work on the agenda layout/design and we are very excited to get the ball rolling soon! We also put out a survey to ask students about using agendas to better inform us for future years.

ThinkTank Clean:

I feel like every team does this at least once, but we are once again in the process of cleaning out the ThinkTank and getting it organized. Jillian and I have taken on this project and have been in and out during our breaks/free-time to make the space more accessible for use by the time fall arrives! We really believe in the potential to use this room as a collaborative space and can't wait to open it for everyone.

COCA:

This Wednesday I flew into Ottawa to attend the Student Life Summit on behalf of the SU. It's been an incredible experience so far, and I am learning a lot about communications and marketing, but also event planning and programming. I've been lucky enough to meet and network with students and full-time staff from all the different Student Unions and Student Associations across Canada and it's been interesting to see how things work in different schools.

That's the update from me this time! I hope everyone is having a great June so far and I look forward to updating you all soon :)

Orientation Chair & Vice-Chair - Jhanvi Joshi and Kanwar Pal Singh

Overview

Hi everyone! I hope all of you are doing well. These two weeks have been great since we finally took part in SOAR in person after 2 years which was a great experience for not only the volunteers and leaders but also for the incoming students and their supporters. There were various other meetings and discussions held throughout the 2 weeks and the details for those have been written below:

Marketing and Meetings

Over the past 2 weeks, some of the major meetings we had were with the; VP Communications where the logo for this year's theme (ALL ABOARD FREDDY BEACH) was created and we plan on coordinating with the BlackShirt team to have their snapshots posted and introduce them to the UNB Community through the Orientation social media pages. The Orientation team also met up with Miriam and Kordell to provide updates on the planning on various topics such as RedShirt training dates, BlackShirt meetings, and Shinerama to name a few. At the same time, UNB Sustainability and UNBSUO met and discussed a collaboration during O-Week on an opportunity to introduce EV Scooters on campus. We also had a meeting with Nadine who is a vital part of the 203 about a speed friending event for incoming students and providing a session during training for the RedShirts.

Merchandise

The Orientation team met with Brian from Coastal Graphics to discuss the merchandise for Redshirts, BlackShirts, and Shinerama. At the same time, there were discussions about potential items for the O-Kit.

Schedule

The Orientation team received a rough draft schedule on the 7th of June, providing a rough timeline of other events such as Faculty Orientation, etc. The events for O-Week would be based around this schedule and change depending on future situations.

Sponsorships

The Orientation team had discussed the sponsorship hitlist and made changes to the original levels of the sponsorship packages. At the same time, the VP Events and Services and VP Communications have developed the package that would be sent out to potential sponsors and would be forwarded to Advancements to get a new perspective about the package and changes made. We also had a meeting with Advancements to discuss possible opportunities to receive sponsorships from Irving Oil, OSCO Constructions, and McCains.

RedShirt Orientation Leaders

To date, all RedShirt applications have been checked and have also received the GPA and endorser checks. However, emails to endorsers are being sent out as of 9th June, but we are awaiting responses from endorsers after which the Orientation team would send out the final decisions on the applications by the end or mid of June.

BlackShirt Orientation Leaders

Last week the BlackShirts had a meeting where they were given updates on Orientation and the team decided on the final logo from the list provided by the VP Communications. At the same time, they were also given updates on the budget, draft schedule, O-Kit, sponsorships, and events.

Shinerama and Upcoming Events

As for now, we still are yet to receive a confirmation on registration for the national conference which will be in June. However, the VP Events and Services was talking about a Bike Co-op during July or early August which would be a great chance to raise money for Shinerama through car washes, BBQs, and T-shirt sales. At the same time, the Shinerama team would have its booth during Canada Day, whose planning is still underway, but a rough look into the booth would be related to t-shirt sales or having a booth selling snacks or drinks whose proceedings would go towards Shinerama. At the same time, another plan of an event would be by collaborating with the GradHouse to have a trivia night or BBQ night to raise awareness about Cystic Fibrosis but also to announce the start of Shinerama over the Summer and Fall.