New Updates

1. Co-Curricular Record

   Just recently, I began work with Sarah Saunders to streamline the process of student clubs and student associations receiving Co-Curricular Record for the volunteer hours that they put in at their various organizations. We’ve scheduled a couple of presentations to student leaders about the process involved in each member receiving CCR for the work that they do, including transition and importing their active executive members. We will also be working to integrate UMSU’s Student Club Awards into the CCR award database as well. I’ll be providing feedback of their new form and interface as well.

2. Health Has No Borders

   Jakob and Sarah will likely have gone into detail during their reports. On my end, I have been coordinating with student clubs who have signed on to the open letter and updating ACE & BOSS.

3. Indigenous Students’ Working Group

   We are currently still building our list of student associations with Indigenous representatives and student clubs central to Indigenous initiatives that would like a designate seat on the Indigenous Students’ Working Group. If you have not yet been in contact, please e-mail vpsl@umsu.ca to be added to the list!

Ongoing/Continuing Work

1. Orientation 2019

   Welcome Day September 3 @ 11 AM to 2 PM: Lots of stuff happening!! BOSS has already received details on happenings for this event. Please ask your Senior Sticks to forward you the information if you’re curious for more! However, I already plan to see you all volunteering for your faculties on the Quad with us. Time to welcome the incoming class and show them why we’re so proud of our campus!!

2. Consent Culture Training

   U1SC has already completed their mandated percentage for consent culture workshops as facilitated through JFW. In the works are: CSA, UMES, and NSA.
   If you haven’t had your first couple of workshop dates scheduled, please e-mail myself at vpsl@umsu.ca and we’ll make sure to get you connected ASAP.
3. **Student Club Awards**

   The deadline has been extended to September 2nd and we’re counting on your nominations to pinpoint the student clubs who’ve created memorable impacts in the Cultural, Athletic, Academic, Advocacy, and Social categories! The link to the nomination form can still be found on the @myumsu Instagram. So, make sure to get those nominations in before it’s too late!

4. **International Student Reading Week Tours**

   I’ve previously been in talks with the Parks student club and Executives of a few other student unions to learn about what’s been done in the past and what options we can explore this year. I also plan to set up a series of meetings with Victoria (UMSU International Students’ Rep) and work closely with UMISO to brainstorm even more ideas.

5. **Peer Tutoring**

   We recently signed the 2019/20 agreement with Nimbus Peer Tutoring. The new agreement included add-ons; such as custom in-app branding (with distinction between tutor and tutee interfaces), assistance with upcoming Fall programming & outreach, better pricing for tutees, and news/poll functions. Seeing great numbers within the pilot semester, myself and the Member Services Committee are looking forward to growing this service on our campus even further in the coming year.

6. **Hardship Update**

   Over the summer, we’ve seen a high intake of hardship cases. As briefly mentioned at the last meeting, I’m continuing work with External Relations to establish a fundraising model involving the University’s young alumni and philanthropists, moving into the Fall term. We’re currently working on finalizing the UMSU Hardship document that will be presented to potential donors and looking at methods to reach them. The goals is to grow the Hardship Fund as much as we can in the next few months, to accommodate the increasing need demonstrated by students on campus.

7. **BOD/BOSS Retreat**

   Thanks to everyone that made it out to the retreat! Thank you also for all of the meaningful and productive conversations. We’re very glad that we had this moment to bond with everyone, build on our skills together, and outline objectives for this year. I’m looking forward to reviewing you feedback and seeing how we can improve this opportunity for BOD/BOSS members in the future! 😊
**Events & Meetings Attended**
*excluding office hours and internal meetings*

- July 26th: Hardship x External Relations Conversation
- July 29th: MSA re: funding model
- July 29th: CIF Meeting w/ Indigenous Students’ Representative
- July 30th: Meeting w/ Brandy Usick re: Anti-Sexual Violence & Orientation
- July 31st: Nimbus Negotiations
- Aug 1st: JFW Meeting re: CCWs, Student/Staff Training, etc.
- Aug 1st: Meeting w/ Ali Wood-Warren re: Orientation
- Aug 1st: Member Services Committee
- Aug 1st: Finance Committee
- Aug 6th: CIF Meeting w/ Accessibility Rep
- Aug 7th to 12th: Student Union Development Summit
- Aug 8th: Blueprint Dinner
- Aug 18th: BOD/BOSS Retreat
- Aug 19th: Nimbus Implementation Meeting
- Aug 21st: Health Has No Borders – Letter Signing
- Aug 21st: Community Service Learning Meeting
- Aug 22nd: Move for Mental Health Call
- Aug 23rd: Movies for Mental Health Call
- Aug 23rd: Meeting w/ Brandy Usick & Ali Wood Warren re: Orientation
- Aug 23rd: Meeting w/ Student Life, Sarah Saunders re: CCR
- Aug 23rd: Justice for Women Call re: CCW, Student/Staff Training, Frosh, Welcome Day
- Aug 28th: Bannatyne Lunch
- Aug 28th: Accessibility Discussion
- Aug 29th: International Students’ Tabling Event
- Aug 29th: Health Has No Borders – Sign Making
- Aug 30th: Residence Council Training
- Aug 30th: Bison Home Opener