New Updates:

PELMO
- First meeting is after this report is written, will report on verbally.

REES
- “Respect Educate Empower Survivors”
- Trauma-informed, survivor-centred secure online reporting platform tailored to post-secondary institutions
  - Operates through a platform that is centred around 2 separate servers:
    • First server is used to store account info
    • Second server is used to collect data about sexual violence on campus
- Completely confidential, data can be used to help pin point specific areas for improvement and prevention on campus
- Based in Winnipeg, development started in 2017
- Beginning partnerships with Red River College, University of Winnipeg, and Brandon University as of the fall semester of 2020
- U of M administration has been approached about a partnership multiple times in the past but has never agreed to move forward
- As of this fall, U of M will be the only major post-secondary institution in the province that does not have a partnership with REES
- Next meeting with Sexual Violence Steering Committee (before BOD meeting) will see a presentation from REES, will update this report about how the presentation was received

Continuing Updates:

Sexual Violence Steering Committee
- (First meeting was mostly intros and formalities, second meeting will happen before the BOD meeting so will update before then)

Orientation
- Tino and I have been meeting with Brandy Usick to discuss what orientation will look like in the fall semester for first year students starting at the U of M
- The administration is looking into creating an online platform called “UM Commons” that will essentially act as an online orientation portal
- I have discussed in greater detail with Brandy about including a tab on that page dedicated solely to student clubs to promote membership
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- Working on ideas to engage students online as best we can
- Looking into possibly having orientation welcome packages for students
- UMSU exec team may film an orientation video for first year students
- Looking into partnering with external companies like PlayFair or COCA to bring in some orientation programming

Nimbus Learning
- I have been sitting in on meetings with Ben and William from Nimbus Learning about expanding to the Science Students’ Association
- We are currently re-evaluating what our contract with Nimbus looks like and whether or not it is financially feasible to continue our partnership in the upcoming year

Student Clubs Guide
- Working to write up a clubs guide for this year, trying to tailor it as much as possible to adjusted life on campus (or lack thereof)

Member Services Committee
- This committee now has enough appointed members to meet quorum
- Still one open BOD position
- Will be scheduling the first meeting soon to consider some funding requests that have been submitted over the past month

Hardship
- I haven’t received a single application for the UMSU Hardship fund
- Many students have been emailing me about the University and Faculty emergency funds and asking questions about financial resources available to them, I have been forwarding students the applications
- Please spread the word about the Hardship Fund, applications can be found online

Campaigns
- Campaigns working group
- Looking at ways to structure campaigns in new ways that will allow us to reach students online
- First campaign will be held the last few days of August and into the beginning of September and will be centred around student club involvement and promoting membership
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Post Ed
- Tino and I met with Post-Ed to discuss what initiative may look like for the upcoming year, and to discuss any opportunities for collaborating on programming that is of mutual interest

PEP-AH
- My first meeting with PEP-AH was mainly introductory
- I was unable to attend their meeting held on the 4th of June, but I asked for meeting minutes
- Discussed the online shift for the Fall term and what January may look like
- Looking at developing a module to distribute about alcohol harm reduction
- Online regional symposium

CCR
- Will update after CCR meeting

Prayers of the People
- Online event hosted on Youtube that was centred around a handful of major religions and was directed towards offering comfort during the pandemic

External Events and Meetings Attended:

- Tuesday, May 5th– PEP-AH Western Region Team Meeting
- Tuesday May 12th– Nimbus Tutoring Meeting
- Thursday May 14th– Prayers of the People
- Friday, May 15th– REES Meeting
- Wednesday May 20th– Sexual Violence Steering Committee Meeting
- Tuesday May 26th– Orientation Planning Meeting with Brandy Usick
- Wednesday May 27th– Post-Ed Meeting
- Thursday May 28th– SSA / Nimbus Collaboration Meeting
- Monday June 15th– Nimbus Communications Discussion Meeting
- Tuesday June 16th– PELMO Meeting
- Wednesday June 17th– Sexual Violence Steering Committee Meeting
- Thursday June 18th– PEP-AH Western Region Team Meeting
- Thursday June 18th– CCR Informational Meeting