New Updates

1. Transit Subsidy. Coming late September UMSU will be providing a $78 subsidy (cost difference between a post-secondary semester pass and U-Pass) to students who are in financial need and are forced to be on campus due to non-remote classes. Students who wish to apply for this subsidy must provide proof of purchase of the post-secondary semester pass. More information will be provided through UMSU social media channels and the application processes is planned to begin September 28.

Continuing Updates

1. After reviewing the financial state of the Union and hearing back from the University about expected foot traffic in UC we’ve determined that there is enough of a demand for our service center to open on the first day of school. Primary application of the service center opening will be for those looking for Health and Dental plan information, UMSU information and while we suggest purchasing post-secondary bus passes from retail stores or through us online, in person purchasing will be available. At the moment we are planning to open GPAs at the end of September. We will be monitoring the foot traffic for the month of September to confirm there will be enough demand for this business and other UMSU businesses.

2. Last report I had mentioned the negotiation of increasing UMSUs Health and Dental plan benefits, I am happy to now announce that we increased Clinical Psychology coverage from $1,000 to $1,250, Chiro max from max $300 to $500. Physio max from $300 to $500 max.

3. The UMSU1020 podcast now has 7 episodes and will be advertised starting tomorrow. We are now reaching out to people to come on as guests but we give priority to those who desire to come on. Reach out to me through the Insta DMs. Or to UMSU1020@UMFM.com. Also if you have any feedback at all, reach out, the podcast is made by students for students and we want to make sure the content is what the student body wants to listen to.
External Events & Meetings Attended

July 30- Dialogue Proposal
July 30- Manitoban Podcast interview
July 31- Student Care Increase of Coverage
August 4- UMSU Staff Health and Dental
August 5- Governance Committee
August 12- COCA Conference
August 18- Board of Trustees
August 19- Governance Committee
August 20- Finance Committee
August 20- Garden Evaluation
August 21- UMSU1020 Contract Discussion