



New Updates

Strike

Our last meeting was in fact before the end of the strike. I won't put the updates in this report all students should be aware of the situation due to the amount of communications that have gone out in this past month. Please feel free to ask questions! Highlights are the Fall semester is continuing until the 23rd of January with the Winter Semester starting on January 24. Once it was announced the labour dispute had been resolved, we worked with Administration to come up with a more student friendly Winter Semester Academic calendar, notable changes being the reinstatement of reading week at the cost of proceeding 2 days into May.

Winter Activity/ U-Pass

On Monday December 20 The University of Manitoba has announced the start of the Winter Semester will not be conducted fully in-person. Until the end of the Winter Reading week on February 26, all non-essential activity will be performed remotely and classes that can be delivered remotely are being asked to move online. Limited in-person activity may continue if required and there is no reasonable remote alternative. UMSU enacted the "pandemic" clause in the newly signed U-pass contract to suspend the U-pass program for the 2022 Winter Semester. Due to this sudden change of plans, UMSU will be offering financial aid in the form of a Transit Subsidy for students who purchase transit passes in the months of March and April and for those who purchase the post-secondary semester pass.

Office Update

With the University's request to go remote where possible, the UMSU office staff will be working from home until further notice. Our hope is case counts start to drop and we can return to the offices alongside students. GPAs, Degree and our Service Centre will continue to be open with reduced hours.

Hamper program

Thank you everyone that donated to the Holiday Hamper program, you would have seen us trying to raise money with our "take pictures with Santa" event. Thank you to those who came out to that

Orientation

Our plans of tabling, holding frost and creating an ice rink have unfortunately been cancelled. We will perform virtual events until we are able to be in person on campus again!

Christmas Cards

Sent to all parties we've worked with this year!

CRSC

Deregistration will not occur until winter delivery is finalized for all classes.



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TO: UMSU Board of Directors
FROM: President, Brendan Scott
DATE: January 6, 2022
RE: Report to the Board, January 2022

External Events & Meetings Attended

November 29- Senate planning and priorities committee
November 30- Finance Committee
November 30- BOG
November 30- Inspiring Indigenous Voices
December 2- AGM
December 2- BOD
December 3- Holiday Hamper Santa
December 6- Laurie Schnarr Meeting
December 7- Holiday Hamper Santa
December 14- UMFA Debrief
December 15- R&A
December 16- CRSC
December 17- Budget Advisory Committee