

TO: UMSU Board of Directors
FROM: 2SLGBTQIA+ Representative, Alex Rana
DATE: September 26, 2023
RE: Report to the Board, September 28, 2023



New Updates

- Queer Student Social was postponed due to our drag performers feeling uncomfortable performing with everything going on last week. We will be rescheduling likely for the winter term.
- Will be meeting with the Religion Dept, as they have requested a discussion with me on how they can better support the community.
- Queer Leadership Symposium will be taking place on October 20th on the Fort Garry campus, free attendance for full-time students. Register here:
<https://qcde.ca/queer-leaders-symposium>
- Queer Health Symposium will be taking place on October 19th & 20th on Bannatyne campus. “This event features guest speaker Dr. Jake Pyne from York University, an exciting lunch-hour drag show, a student art show and research workshop, and community research priority consultation. Food and refreshments will be provided, and the event is absolutely free!” Register here:
https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/caring-queerly-queer-health-symposium-tickets-716159972757?aff=ebdssbdestsearch&keep_tld=1
- I will also be attending the Oxfam Youth Summit in Ottawa in November to learn more about sexual health and rights, meet with other queer community advocates, and attend workshops.

Continuing Updates

- RPC Lounge opened this week for exec office hours.
- Keyholders have been selected - full RPC Lounge hours to begin next week.
- UMQueer is being revitalized. I will be attending some community gatherings in October and will be hosting a queer coffee club in IQs later this term. To sign up for their email list, please email umqueer@umanitoba.ca.
- Will be scheduling the first Board of Faculty Queer Reps meeting for mid October.

Events & Meetings Attended

September 13th - Bison Bash RPC Tabling
September 14th - RPC WOMN 1600 Class Visit
September 15th - 2SLGBTQIA+ Student Advocacy Coalition Meeting
September 17th-22nd - Keyholder Interviews
September 18th - Wellness Centre Student Group Q & A
September 18th - Community Assembly
September 18th - RPC Executive Meeting
September 19th - RPC Poster Making Night
September 20th - Residence Opportunity Fair RPC Tabling
September 21st - Get Involved Week RPC Tabling
September 21st - Meeting with student RE: safety concerns this week
September 21st - Meeting with student RE: ALC concerns
September 22nd - Nine Circles STBBI Testing Grant Meeting
September 26th - Queer Student Support Network Meeting