

TO: UMSU Board of Directors
FROM: 2SLGBTQIA+ Representative, Alex Rana
DATE: November 6, 2023
RE: Report to the Board, November 9, 2023



New Updates

- This past weekend I was able to attend the SRHR Youth Summit in Ottawa hosted by Oxfam. With a particular focus on queer sexuality and reproductive advocacy, I learned a lot, particularly from the Black and Indigenous panellists and session leaders, and made new connections with young people doing community and advocacy work across the country. Following this, I was also able to apply for RPC to become a member of the Enchante Network, which oversees and provides support to Canadian 2SLGBTQIA+ organizations.
- RPC was invited to participate in the planning meetings with local organizations RRC, Klinik, 2S MB, and MB Moon Voices, around Trans Day of Remembrance. The current plan will involve a Sacred Fire and speeches followed by a feast at the CMHR. It's scheduled for 5:30-8:30pm on Monday, November 20th.
- Calm Cafe in the RPC Lounge hosted by the ASBC Reps on Tuesday, Nov 21st with free donuts from Oh Doughnuts.
- On Thursday and Friday this week I will be participating with other students in EGALÉ's Jam Session to develop an advocacy project to address anti-gender ideology that the group will work on implementing on campus this academic year.

Continuing Updates

- Me and Christine are scheduling a free drag bingo at VWs to complement our testing event! Details will be shared on Instagram. Unfortunately, the UM Clinic does not have the resources (staff or fridge) to aid our nurse who will be running the testing, so we are looking into what types of testing we will still be able to offer.
- Connected back with the SCC to discuss the going home for the holidays support session for queer students.
- SVRC has begun sending staff to the RPC lounge Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays each week to provide professional support to students accessing the lounge. Huge thank you to Bre from SVRC and their staff for offering this!
- Our on-campus TDoR plans are still being finalized as I am trying to find a space for an art exhibit. However, we will still be doing a community gathering in the lounge on the 20th, and potentially doing a movie night later that week.

Events & Meetings Attended

October 30th - MSC Meeting

October 31st - Queer Student Support Network Meeting

October 31st - Meeting with UM Health Clinic

November 2nd - Meeting with Moe

November 2nd - Ad Hoc Committee

November 2nd - RPC Exec Meeting

November 3rd - TDoR Community Org Meeting

November 3rd - Nine Circles STBBI Testing Meeting

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November 3rd - Selections Committee

November 3rd - Governance Committee

November 4th - Oxfam SRHR Youth Summit

November 5th - Oxfam SRHR Youth Summit

November 7th - SCC Meeting

November 7th - Board of Faculty Queer Reps Meeting

November 9th - EGALE Combating Anti-Gender Ideology Jam Session

November 9th - Ad Hoc Committee

