



TO: UMSU Board of Directors
FROM: VP Student Life, Christine Yasay
DATE: November 7, 2023
RE: **Report to the Board, November 9, 2023**

New Updates

U1SC Election

- We are currently looking for a CRO
- The U1SC election schedule is as follows:
 - November 13-17 – Nomination Period
 - November 17 – All Candidates' Meeting at 6pm
 - November 20-22 – Campaigning Period
 - November 23-24 – Voting Days
 - November 24 – All Candidates' Meeting at 6pm
- The positions available to run for are:
 - President
 - Vice President
 - Treasurer
 - UMSU Representative
 - Senator (x3)
 - Community Representatives
 - International Community Rep
 - 2SLGBTQIA+ Community Rep
 - Women's Community Rep
 - Indigenous Community Rep
 - Accessibility Community Rep
 - Racialized Community Rep
- For further information, please email vppl@umsu.ca or mchomyn@umsu.ca.

Continuing Updates

Holiday Hampers

- We are currently accepting donations for our annual program: Holiday Hampers!
- Our goal is to raise \$30,000 which will go to gift cards for students and their families this holiday season.
- We encourage student associations and student clubs to consider hosting fundraising events or taking some of the proceeds from their events to donate to the program.
- The club and the association that donates the highest dollar amount will each receive a pizza party! We will provide 20 people worth of food, but it is up to the club or association executives how many people you would like to invite. The deadline for clubs to submit their donation is **December 1st**, and the pizza party will soon follow on December 5th in the Spirit Room in VW's from 12-1pm. The deadline for associations to submit their donation is **December 1st**, and the pizza party will soon follow on December 6th in the Spirit Room in VW's from 12-1pm.
- If you have any questions, please reach out to myself at vppl@umsu.ca, Divya at vpce@umsu.ca, or hampers@umsu.ca.



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Campaigns

Indigenous Students' Month

- This is the fifth annual Indigenous Students' Month.
- There will be an event every week:
 - Spray Paint Night – November 10th at 5pm at Migizii Agamik
 - Ribbon Skirt/Shirt Workshop – during reading week
 - Indigenous Leaders Gala – November 28th at Marshall McLuhan Hall

Mental Health Week

- Thank you to HealthyU, MyStudentWellbeing, and Active Minds for tabling with us this week, and thank you to the Winnipeg Humane Society for bringing therapy dogs to UC!
- Thank you to Ishkode for providing Indigenous language translations of mental health affirmations.
- Please see an extensive list of mental health resources here: [Mental Health – UMSU](#)

Sustainability Week

- November 20-24th
- There will be action items every day of the week to encourage being more sustainable.
- On November 23rd, in collaboration with SOFASA, we will be hosting a plant and paint night. Come to pot a plant and paint a pot with your friends!

Please email me if you have any questions, feedback, or would like to request a meeting. I am happy to meet! 😊

External Events & Meetings Attended

October 25th – Meeting with Student Engagement & Success

October 25th – UM Fall Open House

October 26th – Meeting with Meghan Menzies

October 26th – UMQueer Fall Term Gathering

October 27th – Meeting with Residence Staff

October 27th – UMScary

October 30th – Member Services Committee

October 31st – ASBC Halloween Social

November 1st – Meeting with Deeper Life Campus Fellowship

November 1st – REES All-Partner Meeting

November 1st – Indigenous Students' Working Group

November 3rd – Indigenous Students' Month Movie Night

November 6th – Pet Therapy