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**University Affairs Committee**

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TO: Members of the Student Representative Assembly  
FROM: Stephanie Henry, AVP University Affairs  
SUBJECT: SRA 24H Report  
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Dearest SRA,

I hope everyone has been able to settle and find a routine with the busy academic year. In the past couple months, I have learned a lot in my role as the AVP UA. With the return to campus the committee is now working towards finalizing projects, initiatives and campaigns for the year.

#### **Progress on Year plan**

- **Inclusion and Accessibility in Campus Infrastructure and Online Platforms**
- My goal for this was to pick up where a previous AVP UA began working on creating a directory for gender-inclusive washroom directory, which is available through the Accessibility website. I have reached out to the Acting Chair of the Barrier Free Standards Committee, and am currently awaiting a response to set up early consultations/meetings.
- **Open Educational Resources**  
On Tuesday September 10<sup>th</sup> we launched the OER campaign in partnership with McMaster Libraries and E-Campus Ontario. We were able to reach a wide student audience through hosting in the Hub and feature previous OER Grant winners to share their resources with students.

#### **Past Events, Projects, & Activities**

- **OER Campaign**  
The education team had a successful campaign launch for the OER event. If you wish to see moments captured from the event visit @msu\_advocacy on Instagram to see what you missed!
- **Clubs' fest Booth**  
Previously, the UA committee held a booth at Cubs fest in September. We were able to garner interest in our portfolio and initiatives for the academic year and inform students of our advocacy in the MSU. Thank you to the committee members who were able to help on the day of!

#### **Upcoming Events, Projects, & Activities**

- **Student Success Centre**
- With the VP Education (Maya), and in collaboration with Spark, we are looking to facilitate drop-in sessions hosted by SWC for first years who are looking to seek

- out resources for writing support and/or academic skills development. The sessions will be headed by SSC staff and hosted in Mills Library this semester.
- **Policy Conference and Policy Papers**  
With the Education Team we are beginning to gear up for early planning stages of the MSU Policy Conference which will be featuring internal papers on International Students and Transit & Transportation.
  - **Local Events**
  - The UA committee will be helping at the HamONTyouth alongside other members of the Education Team at the Model City Hall event in October to help facilitating.

### **Successes**

The OER campaign was well received by the student body, and we look forward to the continuation of this partnership with McMaster Libraries. With a full Education Team, we're full steam ahead for working on policy papers ahead of the Policy Conference.

### **Current Challenges**

No present challenges.

### **Volunteers**

I would like to thank Omolade George, Logan McLean, Rushan Jeyakumar, Anu Aladetoyinbo, Kevin Hu, and Joseph Newman for being such a wonderful committee!

Kind regards,

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