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Executive Board

TO: Student Representative Assembly
FROM: Jovan Popovic
SUBJECT: Executive Board Report
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Dear Members of the Student Representative Assembly,

Adam's last report provided an overview of EB proceedings up until the November 14th Executive Board meeting. Since then, only one additional meeting has taken place, on November 21st, leading up to this report's submission on November 26th. Despite this short timeframe, the November 21st meeting proved to be pivotal, offering valuable updates on organizational progress, deliberating key proposals, and addressing ongoing challenges.

Service Reports

Maccess Update

Maccess continues its mission to enhance visibility and inclusivity on campus for students with disabilities. The service finalized plans for its flagship *DisVisibility Week* campaign, themed "Creativity, Arts, and Disability." This event series, running from November 18–22, emphasized creative expression through events like sensory-safe spaces, drag shows, collaborative zine-making, and a disability leadership panel.

In-person peer support has thrived, with new adjustable sofa tables enhancing accessibility and creating a comfortable environment for visitors. Additionally, Maccess has expanded its advocacy work, focusing on intersecting narratives of race, gender, health, and disability. The team has improved social media engagement by using trending content and partnering with campus groups for cross-promotion.

Macademics Update

Coordinator Serena Butera reported on continued development in Macademics initiatives. Ongoing efforts include planning for the Student Recognition Night (SRN) and organizing wellness events such as ExamCare and MSSS Wellness Day.

Macademics has prioritized expanding its outreach through monthly blog posts, Instagram reels, and student Q&A features, fostering increased community interaction. A holiday-themed blog post and reel were recently released, highlighting the neuroscience of giving. The Resource Hub also continues to be a vital tool, providing valuable academic content to students. While volunteer enthusiasm remains high, challenges like accommodating schedules and improving task engagement have surfaced. The service is working towards tackling these issues and looks forward to executing its upcoming plans.

First Year Council (FYC) Update

FYC, in collaboration with SPARK, highlighted the successful execution of the First Year Formal, noting strong promotion and positive feedback. Post-event evaluations are underway to identify areas for improvement, such as music variety and FYC member attendance. Despite challenges, the event was a resounding success, demonstrating the council's ability to create meaningful student experiences.

FYC is also supporting Residence Chairs with ongoing November residence events and has implemented evaluation forms to enhance future planning. However, administrative tasks, such as managing EOHSS approvals for multiple residence events, have proven time-intensive. FYC is determined to address these challenges and continue delivering impactful initiatives.

Key Approvals

1. Surplus Bike Parts Donation

EB approved donating surplus bicycle parts from the discontinued MACycle program to the Makerspace at Thode Library. This initiative, led by General Manager Michael Wooder, ensures the parts support student workshops and programming, enhancing campus life. The value of the surplus, estimated at \$300–\$500, was deemed unsuitable for sale or commercial distribution, and the donation aligns with the MSU's sustainability and community engagement goals.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me via email.

Kind regards,



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