

TGSA EXECUTIVE REPORTS-
February 16th, 2016

President: Met with Phil Abbott to discuss the CUPE and TGSA joint researcher position. Went through applications for the position to narrow down possible candidate. Met with Dr. Troy Burdon and provost Dr. Muldoon to discuss teaching positions for Ph.D. students. Have been working with the Traill Working group. Drafted letter to Arthur about Traill Review. Helped draft Traill Review survey to distribute to graduate students. Met with Dean, Dr. Elaine Scharfe to discuss the review and also the university's Responsibility Centred Management budget model. Attended an inter-union meeting to discuss the RCM budget. Chaired the Long-Term Planning Committee. Attending digital office hours weekly. Attending President's meetings. Attended meeting with the Board of Governors to discuss campus developments, life after Trent, and student representation in decision making processes. Discussing with the Graduate Executive Council of Ontario (GECO) to work on best practices between GSAs across Ontario. Have been in contact with Michael Eamon about the possibility of SSS becoming affiliated with Traill College. Have scanned all of my documents to upload to the Drive (I will upload everything once I get a chance!) Currently working on a transition document timeline to pass on to the next executive (it is really rough right now, but perhaps at our next executive meeting I can share it and we can brainstorm what else to include).

VP of Internal Affairs: --

VP of Finance: I will be presenting another application for the Conference and Group Support Fund which was submitted by Karen Everett from the Frost Centre Student Association in the final amount of \$164.00. This will cover the cost of 10 tickets to a Peterborough Petes (OHL Hockey) game. Granting this contribution would leave this line item at \$564.00, with \$436.00 remaining for the remainder of the year (April 30th). The description/overview is as follows:

For the past few years, the FCSA has attended a Peterborough Petes hockey game as one of its social events and the TGSA has helped off-set some of these costs. The event/outing helps bring together students from both the MA + PhD programs at the Frost Centre (now School for the Study of Canada). As well, the event allows students to engage in the larger Peterborough Community.

The FCSA is designed to provide Frost Centre students with a voice within our program and also organizes social events. To promote a healthy school/work-life balance.

VP of Operations: Working feverishly toward completion of the Traill College documentary. My final interviews will be this Thursday with the editors of The Arthur (and possibly a few others, though I'm still working that out). With Alison's help, I've contacted both IT and Elaine, Dean of Grad Studies, concerning position specific emails for the TGSA execs. So far, there have been no responses. The documentary will be ready for the screening on February 26th. I'm deciding whether it should be uploaded to YouTube before or after that—currently leaning toward after, since I'd be able to make any final changes following the feedback from the screening, though we can discuss that.

VP of Student Affairs: Since our last meeting, I have been working on planning the February event, which involved booking the venue, making a poster, and ordering supplies. Next weekend I will be purchasing drinks for the event, in addition to cleaning out one of the coolers that is currently in our office (it is gross. Oh my God, so gross). I am also beginning to think about the March event, which will consist of either a karaoke night or Laser Tag. I have put another poll on Facebook and will choose the event with the most suggestions. I am currently doing research on how much this would cost; 2 years ago Laser Tag cost \$250, and I am going to propose a budget of \$300. I have also attended the Constitutional Changes Committee, where we have been working as a group to finalize the language within that document. It is largely finished, and will be sent to a lawyer to see if the changes made are sufficient. I have also attended the CASCC Wellness Committee, of which there are some items listed below in "New Business." I have been working with the Traill Review Committee, although there is a chance that it will no longer be meeting due to disinterest. Lastly, I have also been dealing with questions regarding health care opt outs, and petitioning for some students to be allowed to opt in late due to mistakes made by the University. The enrollment list has been sent to VIP, and now we are waiting on cheques from the University. Only 1 student has opted out, but there might be a few more if I'm allowed to petition VIP on behalf of the two students.

Senator: --