

VPAX Council Report

November 18th Council Meeting



The following document is a summary of the tasks, events, and responsibilities, the office of the VPAX has participated in October 28th - November 18th 2018.

Get Out The Vote

- Pledge Day: Tuesday October 30th in McDougall Hall
- Pints With Politicians
 - 40 people in attendance
 - 14 candidates, including $\frac{4}{5}$ mayoral candidates
 - Others including students and community members
- Pledge Day: Wednesday October 31st in the Concourse
- GOTV Call Night
 - Called 200+ pledges from two pledge days
 - Reminded them voting on campus November 1st, and advance polls Friday the 2nd, final voting the 5th
- Voting on Campus with Elections PEI
 - 65 votes
 - Not bad considering Elections PEI only provided voting for 4 municipalities: Charlottetown, Stratford, Cornwall, and Summerside
- VPAX sat on political panel, representing SU, for live election results with Eastlink and Guardian

Meeting with Adrienne Montgomery from Scholarships & Awards

- Talked about concern from international students about limited funding and bursaries available to international students
- She explained that international student funding must fall under the criteria of: Academics, Year of Program, Extra-curricular, leadership etc.
- She explained that international student funding cannot be based on economic need (which is why there are so few funding opportunities available)
- Student Adversity Awards: 20 awards with preference to international students who have faced adversity during their studies (this addresses economic adversity while putting a preference on international students)

Meeting with Caroline

- Spoke about opportunity to advocate on the expansion of Student Adversity Awards to support more international students
- Spoke about approaching Alumni to collaborate on educating donors to open the criteria for awards to international students

Meet with Anne & Brad from Workforce and Advanced Learning

- Discussed and reviewed draft legislation on sexual violence oversight
- Highlighted concern surrounding some elements that were missing
- Legislation tabled for second reading in the legislature Thursday November 15th

Meet with new UPEI Sexual Violence Coordinator

- Met with Eileen Conboy our new coordinator to brainstorm education initiatives the SU and sexual violence prevention and protection can collaborate on
 - Spoke about student consultation
 - Types of training
 - Ways to make Eileen known by students on campus as a resource
 - Types on educational resources for sexual violence education
 - Ways to best approach students

AXCOMM

- Reviewed proposed co-housing survey
- Brainstormed prize incentives
 - Renter's Prize Basket: toilet paper, towel, soap etc.

STRIDE

- Brainstormed additional barriers
- Converted barriers into themes for one day pilot project during nomination period of spring elections

Premier's Action Committee: Youth Engagement Working Group

- Brainstormed ways to encourage discussion and education around the meaning of "Consent" for grades 4-6, 7-9, and 10-12
- Spoke about advocacy efforts with Sexual Violence Policy Provincial Oversight

