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Kinesiology Caucus

TO: Members of the Student Representative Assembly
FROM: Ushwin Emmanuel, SRA Kinesiology Caucus Leader
SUBJECT: SRA 18G Report
DATE: September 23rd, 2018

PROGRESS ON YEAR PLAN

Dear Assembly,

I hope that with the start of the new year you are all doing well in your respective courses and programs! Now that the school year is being kicked into high gear there are many platform points that I have been working on, building a strong foundation for each of the objectives so that they may be further developed and achieved in the future. Below are the objectives that I have been tackling so far after the start of the new year.

Objective #2: Student space for Kinesiology Students

With space being extremely limited on campus I have been conversing with both the AVP Finance and VP Finance about spots on campus that may be opening up due to the construction of the SAB and Peter George building, hoping to find a spot that we could claim to set up the lounge. I have also been in conversation with past McMaster Alumni's that have contributed in creating their own faculty lounges, so that I may create a document on steps that need to be completed in order to get a lounge approved. One main problem is that the work for creating a new lounge has been lost over the years and I plan to change that. Realistically creating a lounge within my time on SRA is unlikely, it is a process that may take a few years. By creating this document, those after me will be able to continue what I started rather than starting from scratch all over again.

Objective #4 Regaining the Kinesiology Caucus email and all social media platforms

After getting in contact with Pauline, I was able to regain access to the SRA Kinesiology email and went through all the unread emails to understand what could still potentially be addressed. I am also attempting to reset and gain access to the Caucus twitter account and I have yet to hear back from Twitter.

Other than my objectives I have been able to establish a strong connection with the Kinesiology Society, being actively involved in their plans and ideas for the upcoming school year. To increase our outreach to first years during Welcome Week, myself and my position on SRA was introduced to the first year constituents.

PAST EVENTS, PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES

I spoke with the Undergraduate chair of the Kinesiology department, Dr. Audrey Hicks, quite recently to see if she would be in favour of aiding the Kinesiology Society and Kinesiology Caucus in finding a space for a Kinesiology lounge. She was quite interested and advised me to speak with Dr. Martin Gibala, the Chair of the Kinesiology department, since he would be able to provide more resources and advise.

UPCOMING EVENTS, PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES

Since there is an empty seat on the Kinesiology Caucus I plan to run an event at the Kinesiology Society office with coffee and cookies from Union market so that more people will come out and learn about SRA to spark their interest in the available position. I plan to do this in October when FYC council elections are over and the Election department releases the by-election date.

CURRENT CHALLENGES

As of now, the only challenge I face is tackling all these objectives by myself since the other Kinesiology caucus seat was dropped. I would have liked to have more done by now, but because I am only one person rather than two, there is a lot less I can do for each objective. Rather than focusing on a few objectives at a time, I am attempting to spread my attention to each objective equally. Hopefully by the end of October I will have someone else that I may debrief and work with to accomplish all these objectives accordingly.

SUCCESSSES

Even though the work force on my caucus has been reduced by half I feel as though I have accomplished a lot in building a strong foundation in multiple different areas of my role as the SRA Caucus leader so that I may continue building these points throughout the year to come.

Sincerely,

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