

Office of the VP Administration

Report to Council: July 7th, 2023

Campus Nutrition x Blue Chip Cafe

We are collaborating with Campus Nutrition to promote the new location for Blue Chip Cafe. This collaboration is scheduled for the end of July to give students a quick glimpse of the construction that is currently happening as a behind-the-scenes promo of what is coming up. We hope that this will get students informed and excited of the new location.

New Club Applications

We have started reviewing our New Club Applications in the Clubs and Societies Working Group. As of Friday, July 7th, we have 32 new club applications. We expect to complete our reviews by the end of July to give approved new clubs enough time to prepare for September 2023.

Club Office and Locker Applications

We closed the Club Office and Locker Application Form on July 1st, and we received a total of 377 submissions. We have started evaluating the submissions and plan to get back to the applications by the end of July to give clubs the whole month of August to clean up their club offices and lockers if needed. To accommodate more clubs, we are planning to increase the number of clubs in most of the offices.

Jump Start Social Programming

We have been working with the Centre for Student Development and Leadership in streamlining ways for clubs to get involved at Jump Start. We received a total of 32 social programming applications and recommended 16 to be approved by CSDL. They have also confirmed that full funding will be provided to all approved clubs as a way to financially support their event.

AMS x SEEDS Partnership

We are in the process of renewing our Memorandum of Understanding with SEEDS Sustainability Program, which creates innovative applied research and partnerships that advance UBC's ambitious sustainability commitments, while also addressing critical societal issues. This year, we plan to focus on our circular economy projects, food waste and sustainability, and procurement methods.

Hatch Art Gallery Collaborations

We have been meeting with collaborators for the Hatch Art Gallery. This includes Ars Scientia for the January exhibition, ARTIVISM for the September-October exhibition, Michael Kingsmill and Violetta Lapinski for the November exhibition, and VASA for the Art Fair. We have also been working on creating the volunteer hiring package for Hatch and the rest of the departments in the Admin Office.

AMS Clubs Handbook

We have started creating the outline for the new AMS Clubs Handbook, which was last reviewed in March 2017. This handbook will be providing summarized information from the Operations Committee Policy Manual, and will provide new info related to equity, diversity and inclusion guidelines and sustainability guidelines on event planning, and clubroom guidelines for clubs to refer to.

AMS Student Leadership Week

We have been planning for AMS Student Leadership Week which will offer workshops and resources for club executives to prepare for their leadership role this year. We plan to host the workshops this August and we have started meeting with potential workshop presenters such as SASC and CSDL, and potential sponsors such as Princeton Review, NNECT, and BAK'D Cookies.