

Office of the VP Administration
Report to Council: October 23rd, 2023

Goal 1A: Thrive and Move UBC

Thrive UBC is happening this month and we have offered to use our digital screens in the Nest to promote this campus-wide initiative hosted by the University. We have also been working with the UBC Physical Activity Committee in adjudicating grant applications for Move UBC, most of which are from our constituted clubs.

Goal 2E: Sensory Rooms in the Nest

We will be continuing the work that was completed last year in relation to the sensory rooms in the Nest. We are in the process of setting up meetings with the DUC to learn and get their perspective on how the previous rooms can be improved. We are also applying for grants that could help fund the improvement of our sensory rooms.

Goal 3B: AMS Club Promotions

The AMS Clubs One-Pager has been printed out and will be distributed around campus in the following week. We have also started rolling out our promotions on social media (“Clubs Corner”) and on our digital screens in the Nest (“Club of the Week”).

Goal 3C: Club Experience Feedback Campaign

Club Experience Survey is now being expanded into the Club Experience Feedback Campaign. We have released the Club Executive Survey to our Clubs Newsletter and we are currently accepting responses from our club execs. In the coming week, we will be releasing the Club Membership Survey to receive feedback from our general student membership regarding their experience interacting and being a part of their own clubs.

Goal 3C: Admin Team Open House

We hosted the Admin Team Open House last week on Thursday as a targeted event for our club executives. We served Blue Chip cookies and hot chocolate during the event and interacted with more than 40 individuals. This also served as the first monthly event in the Commons.

Goal 4A: ASAP Consultations

We are on our second round of consultations with our focus groups for ASAP. We also hosted our ASAP Open Forum last week which, unfortunately, was only attended by 2 students. We have been continuously meeting with our working group as well in the past 3 weeks.

Goal 4D: Return-It Bins + Lending Library

We have a bit of a delay in fully implementing these two programs. We are currently refining the procedures and training our volunteers for the Lending Library. We are also waiting for the communication toolkit from Encorp Canada before we are able to fully install the bins in the Nest.

Goal 5D: PAC’s 75th Anniversary

The exhibition for the 75th Anniversary of the Permanent Art Collection, titled *Greetings from Nowhere*, is currently open at the Hatch Art Gallery. This exhibit will be open until this Friday, November 10th. The Hatch will also be hosting a Closing Reception on the night of the 10th. We have also successfully released a new online catalogue for our featured collections.

Goal 5D: Makers' Market 2023

This term's Makers' Market 2023 will be hosted from November 20th to 24th and will serve as a celebration for UBC artists and artisans. This will be held in the Main Level and Lower Level of the Nest and is a five-way collaboration between the Hatch, AMS Atelier, UBC Anime Club, UBC PRINT Arts & Crafts, and Visual Art Students' Association.

Goal 5E: Sustainability Ambassadors

We have finalized our MOU for the Sustainability Ambassadors which has been signed by myself and the President. The funding (\$5K) for this year's cohorts has also been approved by the Sustainable Projects Fund Subcommittee. We will be meeting with their group to get their signatures on the MOU this coming week.

Other Updates

- **Round 2 New Club Applications** - The Operations Committee has officially approved a total of 21 new clubs on October 31st. We received a total of 82 applications. The approved new clubs have now been contacted to be onboarded, and emails are being sent out for the rejected applications with reasoning and feedback included.
- **Life 0003B** - We are working with the University to have a clean out for the room Life 0003B which is currently used as a shared storage room between 7 clubs. This room is currently overcrowded and is affected by the rodent problem from the construction.
- **IT Subcommittee** - The IT Subcommittee is being organized to meet and discuss the internal AMS IT guidelines and the CCTV installation in the Nest.
- **Thunderbird Sports Clubs Program** - We are working with UBC Athletics and Recreation this year to adjudicate applications for the Thunderbird Sports Clubs Program. This is the first time in 4 years that they are accepting new clubs and 7 of the applications received are constituted AMS clubs. More information about the TSC Program can be found here: <https://recreation.ubc.ca/sport-clubs/>