

FEBRUARY 2026 EXECUTIVE REPORT

President, Eloghosa Avenbuan

GENERAL UPDATES

- **OTU Res Groundbreaking**
On Monday, February 2nd, I attended the residence groundbreaking ceremony for the new residence that is going to be constructed behind the Campus Ice Centre. Additionally, I also had the opportunity to deliver a speech on behalf of OTSU. The event was attended by several community leaders, including Dr. Murphy, as well as other valued community partners. I am excited about this upcoming development, which is expected to be completed next year.
- **Black History Month**
This month, the OTSU hosted several initiatives to celebrate Black History Month. Additionally, we held a Black-owned board games event in collaboration with the Black Visionary Program on February 25, and continued to promote the Black Student Spotlight and Black Excellence in Leadership Scholarship.
- **OUSA GA Preparation**
In preparation for OUSA's Spring General Assembly, I hosted a training session for my delegates to familiarize them with OUSA and the policy writing process. Additionally, our VP Affairs and I have continued making edits to our Tuition, Ancillary, and Incidental fees paper.
- **Clubs and Society Committee Meeting**
This month, we had a Clubs and Society Committee meeting. where we discussed BioSoc's new constitution and shared updates for the second semester. Further details will be provided in the VP Student Life report.
- **OSAP Game Plan**
Due to ongoing changes in OSAP funding, we have been developing a strategy to both advocate for and support students. This has included responding to email inquiries and engaging with various government officials.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

- **None to report on**

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Vice-President of Student Life, Tuirani Kerfelec

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- **NAP x Odd Bunch**

This month, we met with Odd Bunch to explore a potential collaboration to support the continued development of the Nutrition Access Program (NAP). During this meeting, we discussed opportunities to increase access to affordable and nutritious food for students, including the possibility of sourcing discounted produce and integrating it into our existing programming. We will continue these discussions to assess feasibility and next steps.
- **NAP Referendum x Marketing Plan**

As the NAP referendum was open for voting, we worked on implementing a strategic communications plan to increase student awareness and engagement. In collaboration with Jen P, we developed a detailed timeline that included coordinated email campaigns, social media posts, tabling materials, and informational content. These efforts aimed to ensure that students were well-informed about the purpose of the referendum and its impact on the program's future.
- **Health Promotion Collaboration**

We were contacted by Health Promotion to support the distribution of soup vouchers as part of their student wellness initiative. These vouchers allow students to access free soup at Hunter's Kitchen. Through the Nutrition Access Program, we successfully distributed vouchers across both campuses, helping increase accessibility to warm and nutritious meals for students.
- **Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance: General Assembly Preparation**

In preparation for attending the OUSA Winter General Assembly, I dedicated significant time to reviewing policy materials and drafting amendments for the Policy and Research Cycle (PCR) sets. This preparation ensures that our student union's priorities and perspectives are effectively represented during policy discussions and decision-making processes.
- **President's Council Meeting**

On February 23rd, we met with several society presidents to conduct mid-year check-ins and evaluate their progress. Many societies are currently preparing for major initiatives, including annual galas and large-scale events. During these meetings, we reaffirmed our ongoing support and provided guidance where needed. We will continue to monitor their progress and assist societies throughout their planning and implementation phases.
- **Science Council Presidency**

Unfortunately, the Science Council President stepped down from their role. In accordance with the Science Council constitution, we conducted an internal election to appoint a new president to serve for the remainder of the academic year. Following the election, we supported the incoming president by introducing them to their responsibilities, governance processes, and available resources to ensure a smooth transition and continuity in leadership.
- **Amenities: Bidets at Ontario Tech**

We met with several students to discuss an initiative advocating for the installation of bidets on campus to improve accessibility, hygiene, and inclusivity. We are currently engaging in discussions with university stakeholders to represent student interests and assess the feasibility of implementing this initiative. Further updates will be provided as these conversations progress.
- **Transition**

As the end of my term approaches, I have begun preparing comprehensive transition documents to ensure the

incoming Vice-President is well-equipped to succeed in their role. These materials include updated contact lists, detailed process descriptions, key timelines, templates, and guidance on ongoing initiatives. This transition process is intended to support continuity, maintain institutional knowledge, and position the next Vice-President for a smooth and effective

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- **Clubs and Society Committee**

The Clubs and Society Committee met to review key updates for the Winter semester. During this meeting, we approved the updated BitSoc constitution and discussed the use of Rubric versus Square as ticketing platforms for club events. We also began developing a sanctions framework to guide accountability and ensure consistent expectations for clubs and societies in the upcoming academic year.

- **OTSU x OTU Advisory Committee**

We will be meeting with the committee on March 4th.

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Vice-President of Student Affairs, Anwoy Barua

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- **Provincial Advocacy and OSAP Monitoring**
Throughout February, ongoing monitoring of provincial post secondary developments took place, including changes to OSAP grant and loan balance and broader affordability pressures facing students. Preparatory work is underway to support a coordinated Student Union response, including gathering student impact considerations and aligning with sector advocacy partners.
- **Tuition, Ancillary, and Incidental Fee Policy Work**
Work progressed on sector advocacy priorities, including the completion of the first draft of the Tuition, Ancillary, and Incidental Fee policy paper. This draft will support upcoming advocacy efforts and continued collaboration within the OUSA policy development process.
- **Transit Executive Committee (TEC) Engagement**
Engagement with the Durham Region Transit Executive Committee continued this month. Advocacy efforts remained focused on improving service reliability, frequency, and overall student access to transit. Work in this area continues to be guided by student feedback and ongoing transit advocacy priorities.

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- **Student Success Committee**
The committee continued discussions on academic support and student engagement strategies. At the upcoming meeting, we will be meeting with the team that administers the Take 5 program to explore how the model can be effectively implemented to strengthen first year student retention.

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Vice President Downtown, Kailey Haskell

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- **Downtown Social**
I'm in the planning process for the Downtown Social, which is intended to become an annual signature event for students at the downtown campus. The date and time of this event will be March 27th from 3:00 - 6:00 pm, pending approval from the university. I'm looking into bakeries to provide some desserts for the event, and am in talks with the LivingRoom Community Art Studio to facilitate a community mural.
- **Downtown Lounge Project Update**
The downtown lounge furniture is being installed on March 2nd, with the help of the university's Facilities team. I am also in talks with the Office of Campus Infrastructure and Sustainability about how we can best secure the TV during installment, which should be determined in the next couple weeks. Most of the lounge items have been purchased now, and ideally, everything should be set up by the end of March.
- **Downtown Faculty Council**
I updated the downtown faculty council about the Downtown Social event, providing them with the date and time in advance in order to facilitate the attendance of faculty and support staff. I also provided a small update about the downtown lounge project.

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- **Downtown Campus Advisory Committee Update**
The DCAC is meeting on Friday, Feb. 27th and Friday, March 6th to discuss the potential of writing a collaborative editorial on the experience of being a student at a "satellite" or secondary campus student. This would potentially be published through OUSA's online publication, Habitats. I am reaching out to them in the next week in regards to this, and alternately, or in addition, we may consider submitting to other online publications or local news organizations, as well as potentially the OTSU's blog, "The Rundown". Beyond this, we are still planning the Downtown Social, which members of the DCAC are being consulted on for event priorities and decisions. Lastly, I would like to make a final change to the Terms of Reference to have the committee term run for the full academic year, with potential to start in August if the roles are filled. I will bring this change forth to the March board meeting.
- **Downtown Campus Engagement Committee Update**
During our February meeting, we discussed the downtown outdoor space that is being developed collaboratively between the university and city. The committee has been asked to weigh in on this infrastructure development plan, and we identified some elements that we would like to see included, some of these were: an outdoor stage, designated study areas, and internet capabilities to support outdoor study spaces, among other things.

