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Co-director Unit 1's Report – Anthea Plummer

After our General Membership Meeting in April 2019, I transitioned from the position of Treasurer to my current role as Co-Director, and Unit President for our Graduate Student Members. I am Co-Chair of the Joint Union Management Committee (JUMC); a member of the Bi-Campus Standing Committee on Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Human Rights; a member of the DHSS Policy Committee, and Co-Chair of the Workplace Violence and Abuse Research Team, which coordinated multiple declarations for Respectful Workplace Week with GNB, UNB, and City Hall, as well as providing a Public Workshop Series. I sit on the UCLC and the FDLC, with our Executive Members sharing attendance at these meetings. As well, I attended one day of Workplace Harassment and Bullying Investigation Training with Lawyer/Mediator Sally Wells.

In August, I met with our new University President, where we discussed our Membership's priorities and concerns moving forward. When our PSAC National President and Vice President visited us in September, I met both of them at the WU Centre Meet and Greet. In these meetings I have advocated for our Members who face precarious work environments and complex interconnected relationships that push and pull at our academic and employment status, even though our employer sees these identities as being separate.

My other activities have included:

- Monthly Executive Meetings with shared Chairing duties
- Maintaining communication with Members, PSAC, Executive, other Unions and our Employer
- Providing training sessions for Secretaries, Deans, Directors and Faculty with UNB Human Resources
- Meeting with PSAC representatives to discuss mobilization, bargaining, and support
- Orientation Presentations for Members and preparing Membership Packages
- Financial duties and administrative tasks
- Assisting with planning and coordinating

In Solidarity,

Anthea