



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER UNIVERSITY

President's Action Committee on Anti-Racism (PACAR)

Working Group: FYE, Transition Experience Meeting

April 22, 2024

4:00-5:00 pm

Teams

Attendees: A. Amankwah-Poku, J. Ettlin, A. MacDonald, K. Fuller, T. Francis, D. Kumar, S. Read, E. Yeo, J. Sylvester (*Recording*)

Regrets: G. MacMillan, K. Hanscomb, M. Fogarty, M. Dunn, A. Sylliboy, G. Jarry-Bolduc, A. Al Numan, K. Prosper, S. Skinner, K. Stevens, C. MacKenzie, J. McMillan, L. Urrieta, R. Upshaw

- 1) E. Yeo opened the meeting with a welcome at 4:06 pm. T. Francis provided a land acknowledgement.
- 2) The agenda was approved as circulated. Moved by J. Ettlin, Seconded by D. Kumar.
- 3) The minutes for the meeting of February 20, 2024, were approved as presented. Moved by J. Ettlin, Seconded by T. Francis.
- 4) Embedding EDI-A within Residences- Living Learning Spaces Discussions of Concept Paper was discussed.

Cultural Art and Imagery conversations have started with the StFX Art Department. These discussions are ongoing with consultation from our community experts, as to what this concept could look like and how to best move forward to the next stage. Student surveys have been conducted, and the feedback is being compiled and will be shared.

In the Fall of 2024, we will see gender diverse spaces available in Cameron Hall.

- 5) Diversity Engagement Coordinators provided an updated to a collaborative orientation program for the fall. Student outreach will begin in June, with follow up in July, to ensure incoming students are supported in the weeks leading up to their arrival on campus. Peer Mentors will be on campus earlier, for training. Community Connections will engage students early in the academic year to provide peer, cultural, academic, and financial supports.



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- 6) The PACAR Annual General Meeting and Community Consultation is scheduled for May 30th, 1-3:30 pm via Teams, with a formal update in the Fall of 2024.
- 7) Next meeting is scheduled for May 16th, 2024.
- 8) The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.