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Executive Report – Vice President Fredericton - Fady Botros

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Dear Members,

Since October 2017, I have been serving in the position of Vice President Fredericton of the Union of Graduate Student Workers at the University of New Brunswick. During this period, there has been so much that I have learned and experienced.

I have worked closely with fellow executive members on revising our union bylaws to reflect the latest changes in the Collective Agreement. We have also attended meetings with a couple of candidates for the position of Vice President for Research at the University of New Brunswick and gave our recommendations to fill this position afterward. Additionally, I have maintained and updated our website and social media page keeping our members informed about our union activities and events. The new implemented updates to our website will allow our current and future members to reach the needed information and files more easily and efficiently.

I've also participated in the Coalition of Graduate Employee Unions Conference that took place this year at New York University. I was glad to participate in this international conference which is dedicated to supporting and empowering graduate student workers and their representatives. It was a great opportunity to connect with and learn from other academic unions. I have also attended PSAC training sessions for Joint Committee Representatives and the PSAC Atlantic School for Advanced Union Elected Officers and learned a lot about the roles of our Union and executive team, and how to better serve our members. I also co-chaired the Joint Committee for International Student Workers and took part in the Joint Committee for Intellectual Property Rights.

During my term, I applied what I have learned from the various training sessions through enforcing our Collective Agreement and reaching out to current and new members helping them with any problems they are facing. I have also collaborated with fellow executive members to arrange and promote Union events. I am looking forward to reaching out to more members and keeping our Union active on both campuses in the future.

Sincerely,
Fady S. Botros