



**Fall 2025 Athletics & Recreation Report
SSMU Legislative Council
October 23, 2025**

Truth and Reconciliation Game & Community Drive

- Hosted a successful *Truth and Reconciliation Game* in collaboration with varsity teams.
- Included a food and clothing drive, which saw high participation from students and local community members.
- The event combined athletic engagement with education and community support, aligning with ongoing reconciliation initiatives.

Upcoming Review: Athletics & Recreation

- The Athletics and Recreation Review is underway in response to reduced financial support from Admissions.
- Current budget constraints have led to significant concerns about funding sustainability for varsity and recreational programs.
- The review will explore restructuring options, with potential cuts to certain teams under consideration and will be done end of November beginning of December
- Student-athlete consultation sessions are being planned to ensure transparency and representation in the review process.

Winter Referendum Motion: Athletics Funding

- Drafting a motion for the Winter Referendum to address long-term Athletics funding.
- The motion aims to stabilize financial resources and prevent further program reductions.
- Collaborating with the head of athletics and head of recreation to finalize the proposal before the winter session.

Movember Campaign

- Launching the Movember campaign to promote men's health awareness and mental wellness across campus.
- Seeking amplified visibility through SSMU Communications channels (social media, newsletters, and tabling).
- Campaign will feature athletic events, team challenges, and fundraising initiatives.

McConnell Ice Rink Reopening

- McConnell Ice Rink has officially reopened following upgrades and maintenance.
- Teams have resumed practices, and open recreational skate sessions are available to students.
- Strong positive feedback from athletes and users regarding improved facilities.

Homecoming Game & Tailgate

- The Homecoming Game will take place Friday October 23
- Tailgate starts at 11:00 AM, followed by the game at 1:00 PM.
- Anticipated to be one of the largest athletics events of the semester, celebrating community spirit and school pride.

Game Accessibility & Pricing Discussion

- Ongoing discussions on reducing ticket and concession prices at athletic games to improve accessibility and student attendance.
- Exploring reducing the prices to first years students

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