

September 27, 2020

MEMBERSHIP ADVISORY

RE: UTMSU Services and Office Re-Opening

Following the membership advisory issued on Friday, September 18, 2020, Peel Public Health has now completed its investigation and has determined that transmission did not happen at the Student Centre, and the UTMSU along with the UTM Student Centre are able to resume in-person operations.

In light of this, the UTMSU Health and Safety Committee has made the decision to re-open the UTMSU Offices, the InfoBooth, the Blind Duck Pub, and the Duck Stop as of Monday, September 28, 2020, and will remain open from Monday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Regarding U-Pass distributions, students who previously had appointments for pick-up between Friday, September 18 and Friday, September 25 will be emailed directly for students to decide the most feasible process in receiving their U-Passes starting next week.

UTMSU and MiWay are currently exploring other options including mailing options to efficiently and promptly distribute U-Passes for students who were unable to book an appointment before the temporary closure. More information on this will be released in the coming week.

Currently the UTMSU is negotiating with MiWay transit to provide reimbursements for students who were unable to pick up their U-Passes during the temporary closure. These reimbursements are aimed to cover the fare accumulated from Friday, September 18 to Sunday, October 4. We will provide more information once this is finalized.

The UTMSU Health and Safety Committee has reviewed protocols and guidelines and will be implementing stricter processes and procedures within the UTM Student Centre to continue prioritizing the safety of our students, staff, and volunteers.

It is mandatory that everyone entering the UTM Student Centre wear a mask and follow our physical distancing measures as indicated through floor and entry-way signs. Everyone must also use the designated entrances and exits to ensure one-way traffic throughout the building.

We encourage students to book virtual meetings with our executive team and staff members, however, if there is a need to have an in-person meeting, these must be booked in advance.

For additional support, questions, and assistance, please send an email to <u>president@utmsu.ca</u>. We encourage all members of our community to stay home when possible and practice safe physical distancing.

In student solidarity, The UTMSU Executives