



Dalhousie Professional and Managerial Group

Conference Committee Annual Report

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Committee Purpose

1. To plan and produce the annual DPMG Conference for DPMG members.
2. To create a conference program that challenges and strengthens the hard and soft skills of DPMG members, and generates excitement and pride for work at Dalhousie.

Specific Responsibilities & Deliverables

- Plan, promote and execute the annual DPMG conference, subject to DPMG Executive final approval.
- Ensure accessibility and availability of conference session topics to membership.
- Coordinate with the DPMG PPD Committee and DPMG Executive to ensure there is cohesion between the conference and existing PPD opportunities for DPMG members, and that conference themes and programming fit within the university's strategic direction.
- Collect and leverage attendee feedback.

Summary of 2019-2020

- Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the conference was unable to take place (scheduled for June 5, 2020)
- Leading up to the university's closure in March, the Conference Committee planned many aspects of the 2020 conference including:
 - Theme (Growing and Reimagining our Work – GROW)
 - Speakers and other activities were confirmed
 - New location on Sexton campus was confirmed
 - New schedule for the conference was confirmed, including a speed networking event
 - Conference budget was approved
 - Catering was pending

Going Forward

- All committee members have signed on to continue their membership for 2020-2021
- We will repurpose as much of the planning as possible for next year, presuming events on campus are allowed to take place in a similar capacity. We will adjust for 2021 as necessary.