Hey Nipissing! I'm Grace Knight and I am running to become a Director-at-Large for the Nipissing University Student Union! I am currently finishing my 4th year at Nipissing University in the concurrent education program with a major in Social Welfare and Social Development. I have loved being part of the amazing Nipissing community thus far and look forward to returning next year for teachers' college!

Being in the Social Welfare program has ignited my passion to serve the community whenever and wherever I can. While completing a placement at NUSU this past year I realised that it was an amazing place for me to use this passion to serve the Nipissing student community. For this reason, I hope to return to NUSU as the Director-at-Large to ensure the voices of the student population are heard and their needs are met.

The three main goals I hope to achieve in the position are as follows:

First, I want to continue to support Nipissing students through the student food bank. I hope to advocate for increased research and initiatives regarding the food bank to ensure the NUSU systems are as effective as possible, allowing them to effectively serve as many students as possible.

Second, I want to advocate for the allocation of more money towards the needs of mature students and students with dependent children! I hope to create an environment where these student populations feel both welcomed and supported.

Finally, I want to ensure students feel well-equipped to complete their studies. One important way I hope to do this is by ensuring clear communications with students regarding available services. I hope to ensure every student is aware of and able to access any support they may require to complete their studies.

Ultimately, I want to ensure that Nipissing University and NUSU are places where students feel they belong. Please never hesitate to say hi if you see me on campus or to reach out to me with your concerns!

Thank you for your consideration!