

## Date: 10.19.21 To: Students' Union Council Re: BoG Rep 2021/2022 Report 11 - The Search for Project Funding: Alumni Council and Senate Edition

Dear Council,

## **Exception Tuition Increases**

- Rowan, the Graduate Students' Association's President, Anas Fassih, and I strategized leading up to Friday's Board meeting about how we would approach the conversation. We developed talking points regarding
  - a. process issues with proposal developments,
  - b. the need for greater financial transparency going forward,
  - c. how international students would inevitably be impacted although they were not directly consulted
  - d. and the questionable necessity of ETIs in light of admin's highly-anticipated growth strategy bringing in increased revenue over the next few years.
- **2.** The morning of, two Board members related to some of our concerns, but ultimately we three student leaders were the only votes against the ETIs.
- **3.** Other topics at the meeting included the Service Excellence Transformation and how student services are developing, AB2030 and the growth strategy. Thank you to student leaders who responded to my consultation form for this meeting; I shared your concerns about a growing student population being inadequately supported by teaching staff and admin agreed this was something that they are aware of and will be fleshing out more details around as the growth strategy takes shape.

## **CSJ and Maskwa House**

- I met with the Alumni Representative on the Board, Ryan Thompson, and discussed how best to engage the alumni community regarding awareness and funding for CSJ and Maskwa House. He has people he will connect me with on Alumni Council and we will go from there. I appreciated his receptivity and concern!
- **2.** I am meeting this Monday (October 18th) with Chancellor Peggy Garritty to see what opportunities exist in the Senate community.

Thanks for reading!





University of Alberta Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative **Dave Konrad**