



## **Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative**

Date: June 28, 2022 To: Students' Council

Re: Board of Governors Representative Report #4

## Dear Council,

I am really looking forward to seeing everyone at the retreat the weekend of June 25-27. This weekend will be very important for us growing together and get to know our fellow councillors.

## **Board of Governors Meeting**

With over 700 pages total to say that this was a light meeting would surely be an understatement. The Board got a lot of work accomplished at this meeting. Highlights from the meeting specifically pertaining to student life include the 6% international tuition hike which passed with 4 dissenting votes. Abner and I stood up against this increase by collectively bringing up how this increase will make affordability and food security worse for international students as well as how the administration did not adequately follow their own student consultation processes.

A new sexual violence policy is also being created at the request of the Minister of Advanced Education. Due to the minister's request to have this created by November, The Sexual Violence Response Coordinator (SVRC) was seeking ways to conduct the broadest possible consultation in a short time frame. After discussions with VPSL Joannie Fogue, we have decided that we will collectively invite the (SVRC) to the council in the near future to conduct student consultation through our students' council. I request that students come prepared to discuss this topic when we get her at a council meeting in the future.

The Board also approved the hiring of Dr. Verna Yiu as Interim Provost and Vice-President (Academic). We are all looking forward to working with her in the future and we wished Stephen Dew the best of luck in his future endeavours.

a variety of information about the school's operations and strategic direction ranging from our EDI commitment, student enrollment and academic restructuring.

## Other endeavours

This week I also had the chance to meet with the former president of the NWP Polytechnic Students' Union for the school year of 2021/2022. We had a great discussion about how to be an effective board member as well discussing how he improved the lives of the students at NWP.