

Date: 26/09/2018

To: Students' Union Council Re: President 2018/19 Report

Dear Council.

I was just letting folks know today, I finally am not sick! My eyeballs are fully functional. Asides that, I am thrilled to head to Calgary this weekend to see my partner and happy to be here.

BoG & GFC Committees

The Board Ad-hoc Group on Membership and Mandates continues to review the BoG committees. By October, a new governance committee of the Board should be in place, as well as, reviewed mandates for the remaining committees.

The Board Finance and Property Committee briefly discussed what budget drivers it wished to look over for the year. Items affecting student costs will still go to this committee and the committee will be receiving updates on the budgeting process much earlier. I am largely satisfied that administration is involving the board and campus community much earlier in its budget process.

At GFC Academic Planning Committee the University gathered more feedback on an initiative called Uniform to share data on administrative effectiveness and looking for feedback on a number of budget revenue drivers. We will have to wait for the tuition review to determine what options the university will have for revenue in the coming year.



Alumni Awards 2018/19



CAUS In-Person

VP Brown, EAA Nelson, and GOTV Coordinator Raitz all travelled to Calgary on the 21st for CAUS in-person meeting. We reviewed our GOTV strategies, advocacy priorities, and outcomes for the fall semester. There is a consensus that legislation for tuition, both domestic and international, is imperative before the end of the fall sitting of government. CAUS has also submitted its budget recommendations, which can be found online here.



AGA Khan Garden 2018

To Note:

- Visited an opening ceremony for the AGA Khan Garden at the UofA Botanical Garden.
- Attended UofA Alumni Awards.
- Submitted motion for an Awareness Campaign through Finance Committee.
- Submitted motion for a translation process for council.
- Toured research facilities in medicine and dentistry, residence, and Michener park.
- Executive Committee dined with the UofA Chancellor and his partner.
- Reviewed the Deferred Maintenance Report with Facilities and Operations representatives. Will be finding overlapping priorities for advocacy.
- Met with President Turpin in regards to Campus Saint-Jean funding.
- Accepted an invitation to attend Universities Canada's lobby days in October as a student representative.
- Attended the Joint Oversight Committee on MNIFs and received the first breakdown of MNIF funding.
- Attended ARRC town hall. Congratulations to all organizers!

Finally, I will be on vacation from October 5th - 11th. I am looking forward to getting some rest in the rocky mountains!

Cheers,

UASU President Reed Larsen