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

#### Dear Council.

My last council meeting! I am so excited to share it all with you, get some amazing work done, and finish out a strong year. I won't lie, the closer I get to the end of my term the more sentimental I get, however, I am getting jazzed for the next chapter in my life.

# Muslim Student Association (MSA) March

I was in attendance on March 29th for the Muslim Student Associations prayer and march in remembrance of the victims of Christchurch. There where hundreds of people who attended both the prayer and the march and it was a large showing of the campus communities support for Muslim students, staff, and academics. For me, it really highlighted the love and compassion within the community. The MSA was also in attendance for a PAW Centre Strategic Operating Committee to ensure that there is a plan to accommodate the growing number of Muslims on campus.



MSA March - March 29th

### **Block A Celebration**

A few executives and I attended the Block A Celebration, which is a award given to students who have shown immense dedication to the sports and athletics of the university. An amazing event every year, as the University also retroactively recognizes amazing women who were left out of these celebrations in the early history of the university.



## Council of Alberta University Students (CAUS)

CAUS has hired a new executive director! Confirmed on 1st via teleconference, we are thrilled to see the organization back to full capacity and I am looking forward to transitioning in VP Bhatnagar to the organization. Of importance is that CAUS is looking at the entirety of how it creates, manages, and promotes its political policies and the work should be completed in the new year.

### **Elections Forum & GOTV**

There will be an elections forum on campus this coming Monday from 5-7 PM! We have confirmed attendance from the New Democrat Party and the Alberta Party. As well, Councillor Raitz continues to kill it at GOTV and really looking forward to the wildness that will be advanced polls on campus. I cannot stress enough how large of an effort it has been to put together one of the largest ongoing campaigns the Students' Union has ever done and Stephen truly deserves a medal.

#### To Note:

- The transition is ongoing and on schedule. VP Bhatnagar and I have spent a few hours now going over the role and its responsibilities.
- I took a wellness day on March 27th for mental health and personal reasons and unfortunately missed a Academic Planning Committee meeting.
- I attended a World Health Day breakfast and award ceremony for champions of wellness on campus on the 4th.
- Congratulations to Councillor Belcourt for her reelection as Aboriginal Students Council President!
- I attended the political science undergraduate association elections on April 2nd and am looking forward to being represented by such amazing folks! Congrats to Councillor Bilak on his position!
- The Board Governance committee met today and went over some of the recommended terms of reference for the new board structure. I will be transitioning all of my work on this file, as it will fall to the next BoG representative and President.
- My final board commitment as President will be attending the Board Finance and Property Committee, where I will be facilitating a learning moment on the value of student associations on campuses.

Cheers, UASU President Reed Larsen