

March 13, 2018

**To:** Students' Council

**Re:** Report to Students' Council

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Hello Council,

I hope everyone had a nice reading week! I am submitting this report on election day, so an early congratulations for all those who ran in the election. I am also very excited to have VP Scott, VP Larsen, and VP Ushakov back in the office again. Below is an update on my work.

## University Business

### PLLC Principal Search

I filled in for VP Scott at the search committee for a new PLLC Principal. I can't say much, but it seems there are lots of good candidates. The University has also stated a preference for internal candidates.

### Cannabis

I am continuing to work on the cannabis advisory group for the U of A. There will be a survey and town hall launching next week to get feedback from the campus community. You can find more information about this here ->

<https://www.facebook.com/events/427854517647417/>

### Board of Governors

As most of you know, there is an upcoming Board of Governors meeting on March 16<sup>th</sup> where international tuition, rent, and the mandatory meal plan will be voted on. I am not supportive of these proposals and will work hard to compel the board to vote them down. You can learn more about how we got here ->

<https://theflame.su.ualberta.ca/en/blog/2018/02/23/university-of-alberta-proposes-cost-increases-for-residence-and-international-student-tuition/>

## External Business

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VP Larsen and I will be out of town in New Brunswick from March 19-26 at the Canadian Alliance of Students' Association, Annual General Meeting. VP Larsen can provide more information on the new business we will be discussing at the conference.

## **Other Exciting Endeavors**

### **Internal Business**

VP Paches and I attended many forums throughout the election period. I must say, all of the candidates seemed very well spoken and knowledgeable. I have also been promoting the #UASUGotThis campaign over the election period and I believe it has had a positive impact on the inclusiveness of the campaign.

### **Closing Remarks**

My Winter semester office hours will be Tuesdays from 12:00PM-1:00PM in SUB 2-900! Feel free to drop by if you have any questions or would like to discuss anything.

Thank you for reading my report and happy to answer any questions you may have.

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