

Date: 25/06/2018  
To: Students' Union Council  
Re: President 2018/19 Report

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Dear Council,

OMG the elections are nearly over and I am so excited to see the results, as well as, have the full executive team back in office. I've made it through the last few weeks but my gosh am I tired.

## Strategic Plan

The strategic plan will be on the council agenda for this coming meeting. I want to ensure that the council has enough time for a wholesome debate, so, if the motion does have to continue another meeting, we are good to go. Further, the committee came to a full consensus on the document and everyone is excited to see this process completed. My thanks to the committee members, especially Ellen our HR manager for leading this whole process.

## Mental Health Rally

The UASU and I have been helping a grassroots rally in support of students affected by mental health over the past week! A full advertisement swing should kick off today and I'm very thankful to those students who reached out to get this effort started. [Follow the event here](#) and come out and show your support next Wednesday from 4:30 - 6:00 PM.

## ARRC Recommendations

Congratulations to the committee on completing the ARRC Recommendations! We are on track for a public release in the next month and looking forward to putting together a event for that. I do also want to thank our staff folks for giving a helping hand and for putting together what will be the final public version.

## Elections & Transition

Following the election tonight, we immediately begin our transition process! Our executive has already committed to a number of efforts and we are extending the process to ensure we have the most fullsome transition possible.

## Campus Debate

I am currently working on bringing a provincial election debate to campus! This Friday we are having a conversation with a potential media sponsor and we may be able to host a full leaders debate! It would be a fantastic effort if it goes through, however, will have to wait and see.

## UCP Campus Event

The UCP Campus Club hosted an event on campus on the 6th. I did attend, as I attend all political events in our spaces, which have included events from all major political parties this year. There was a protest at the event, and video of the protest has circulated online. I continue to stress that the UASU is a non-partisan organization who provides space for political engagement and debate and we take the safety of participants in such engagements very seriously. I am thrilled to see students so engaged in politics and willing to make their priorities known to political figures. We are currently penning a letter for follow-up for some of Mr. Kenney's comments on anti-student association policies and that should follow next week. We still seek to engage with the party to talk about the policy and priorities for post-secondary education.

### To Note

- I am behind on emails. Thanks for folks patience as I attempt to catch up.
- CAUS is in the final stages of hiring a new Executive Director! I may have an update for council by next Tuesday.
- Our partners at the Student Association of Mount Royals elections have closed! Congratulations to their new president-elect, Shayla Breen.
- For the first time I have ever seen, a Faculty has breached 50% turnout! Law is coming out in big numbers this year and congrats to the faculty.
- I've had a couple of interviews, including some fact checking for The Gateway and comment on the UCP event.
- The BoG is meeting next Friday, at which it is expected that the university budget will pass as recommended by BFPC. Please see my previous comments on this front.

Finally, a very special congratulations to all of the candidates in the UASU elections! It is an incredible effort to put yourself out there and to test your ideas in the public sphere. We should always value the candidates and their teams for contributing to the democratic process on campus and striving to make their community a better place.

Cheers,



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