

Date: 21/06/2018  
To: Students' Union Council  
Re: President Report

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Dear Council,

Hope the heat is treating you well! Next week I am taking off to spend some time with family fishing and am very excited!

## Board of Governors

I am thrilled to be serve on the Board Ad Hoc Group on Committee Mandates and Memberships and continue work that President Banister began last year. There are a number of recommendations for the board, the high level being that we will be reviewing the structure of the boards committees. The entirety of the recommendations are public documents if any members of council would be interested in reviewing those documents. I intend to focus on ensuring student voice and consultation in the process.

## Mid Year Managers Meeting

The executive committee partook in the mid year managers meeting. There we presented out goals document for feedback and partook in some strategic planning. I am excited for some reports to come out of marketing and further improvements to inter-departmental collaboration.

## Facilities and Operations Meeting

The executive committee met with with the entire facilities and operations team and I believe there is some opportunity for collaboration this year. In particular, we hope to work together on the deferred maintenance front, and find overlapping priorities.

## Pan Alberta Student Association Summit

The UASU is currently organizing a pan-alberta summit of student associations to discuss get out the vote efforts, the upcoming elections, and working with the United Conservative Party in regards to their political policy. So far we have had a good reception to the idea and I hope to provide more updates once organization gets more off the ground.

## DIE Board Ruling

The DIE Board has recently ruled that the UASU is to fulfill the mandate of bylaw 600. We are to have an initial translation by September 4th and a method for sustainable translation by April 10th. The executive has already tasked our governance office to begin the process of initial translations and that process will be completed. I have reached out to the Chairs of Bylaw, CAC, and Policy to propose some solutions to find for sustainable translation process.

On another note, this was my very first DIE Board hearing! I was impressed with the process and extend my thanks to the board for its swift ruling and interpretation. I recommend that all council members read the ruling and my personal favourite line:

[16] In such situations, the power of enforcement naturally rests in democracy. It would be in the hands of the Union members to protest at the ballot box to remove a contemptible Students' Council.

## Things to Note

- I will be at Introduction to Government 25th and 26th with VP Brown.
- I will be on vacation from June 29th to July 7th
- I and the Executive will be at CAUS Counterparts July 9 - 10th
- June 25th I have a phone call with MLA Wayne Anderson, the UCP Advanced Education Critic.
- The executive committee has approved new job descriptions for the Department of Research and Advocacy and have begun the hiring process.



Reed and Fahim on way to Advocacy Meeting

Cheers,  
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