

Date: 9 Oct 2018

To: University of Alberta Students' Union Council

Re: VP(A) 2018/19 Report #11

Dear Council,

I had a great few days in New York City, and now I'm writing this report enroute to Buffalo Niagara Falls for the Open Ed 2018 Conference! I am so excited to be giving a presentation with a Digital Initiatives Librarian about the relationship with Student Advocacy and Libraries with OER. Upon returning, I have an extremely busy week and therefore this will be one of my shorter reports, and I'll see you all on Tuesday. Keep reading for my major updates!

1. Faculty Associations

By Elections are complete. A variety of FA's elected new Executives, meaning that our COFA meetings will be exciting! In an attempt to get some transition work in the way, I've decided to host the second COFA Joint Board/COFA Retreat. Last year as the Student Governance Officer, I organized one in hopes to better connect the 4 boards of COFA, and we will be building off of last year's success. This year, I will be personally inviting SU Councillors to attend as well, and all FA's Executives. Developing a relationship with your FA is tremendously positive for both you, and your FA. I'll keep you all updated as this rolls out!

Faculty of ALES Undergraduate Association (FAUnA)

FAUnA's Executive is struggling and both myself and DG have a series of meetings prepared to support them.

2. General Faculties Council Meetings / University Meetings

Next week I will be attending the **GFC Executive Committee** and the **GFC Academic Standards Committee**. I will also be hosting our **GFC Student Caucus** for our GFC Student Councillors. Agenda's should be released in a few days.

3. GovWeek 2018

Dates for GovWeek have been finalized: **January 21st-25th 2018**. There will also be re-brand of the marketing - stay tuned! We also have our GWPC team and our first meeting will be in the next two weeks.

4. Executive Shadow Days

We will be launching our SU Executive Shadow Days soon, so keep your eyes peeled and share the Google Form with anyone interested! The dates will be scattered throughout the month of November.

Thanks for reading my report. As always, please feel free to ask questions! My office hours for the Fall semester are going to be Friday's from 12PM-1PM and **will be by appointment**. If you want to meet during my office hours, I ask that you let me know by **9AM** on that same Friday. Let me know if you have any questions regarding my office hours. Thanks for reading my report!

Kind regards,



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