

Date: 15 May 2018
To: Students' Union Council
Re: VPA 2018/19 Report

Dear Council,

I am so excited to be writing my first council report!! It's been an extremely busy couple weeks, and I'm glad to be settling into the office. Here are a few updates for you all!

1. Retreat

The incoming Executive team and the outgoing team went on a week-long retreat where we spent time absorbing information about all things related to the Union. This was essentially time for the incoming to download all of the information that our predecessor had, and was invaluable.

2. General Faculties Council (GFC) Nominating Committee

This was my first official University meeting and it went really great. We appointed students to all the GFC Standing Committee's and will be appointing members to the GFC Executive Committee at GFC.

3. GovWeek 2018!

Excited to say that we will be hosting a GovWeek 2018! I've really taken the time to sift through all types of feedback and I'm excited for the changes as a result. One of the first changes you'll see is the recreation of the GovWeek Advisory Group to the GovWeek Planning Committee (GWPC); this name is more indicative of the direction I want this group to go in. These applications are live and I'd love if councillors could send them to their communities!

4. VPA Projects

I've been working to develop specific action plans for each of my priorities for this year and will keep you all updated on the status of my projects.

Excited for the year we have together, and look forward to seeing you at all at council while we participate in a KAIROS Blanket Exercise. This is really emotional experience, and I hope you all take the time to reflect and debrief this activity. My office hours this term will be on Fridays from 12PM-1PM, feel free to drop in! If that time doesn't work, email me and we can figure out a time that does.

Kind regards,



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