



June 28, 2016**To:** Students' Council**Re:** VPA Report to Students' Council

Dear Council,

Here is an update on my work since the last council meeting:

1. GovWeek

GovWeek planning is coming along smoothly, currently I am working on the marketing, written documents, and session/event application forms. Applications to facilitate a session or register an event will become live on July 1st!

GovWeek Advisory Group (GWAG)

The GWAG applications have officially closed, and successful applicants will be contacted shortly. That being said, GWAG meetings are open to the public and anyone is welcome to attend if they are interested!

2. Committee Business

I had an interesting meeting with the Office of Safe Disclosure & Human Rights about making sure students who need accommodation through Student Accessibility Services are still eligible for financial aid and scholarships. I will be continue to work with this Office until we make a presentation to the Academic Standards Committee SubCommittee on Standards in September. Many of the committees I sit on in University Governance have concluded for the summer, and will begin again in September.

4. Other Exciting Endeavours

The executive and I were pleased to attend the Chancellor Installation Ceremony on June 15th, to welcome Douglas Stollery as the University of Alberta's 21st Chancellor. The executive also did a one day strategic planning retreat on June 16th to communally plan some goals.

Thank you for reading this report and I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

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