

December 6, 2011

To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Council

Hello Council,

Below are the highlights since my last report.

Capital Project Planning

The SUB Planning Steering Committee has met twice to review progress and provide input. Our architects will join the General Manager and I to present an update to Council today. We have contracted with a cost consultant to provide an estimate for a fee of \$4,000. We expect this to be ready by Christmas. We have not received any billings for architectural or project management fees since my last report.

BFC

The Thursday, December 3 meeting unfortunately did not meet quorum. We had intended to review the budgets for Infolink, the Peer Support Centre, the Centre for Student Development and Safewalk. If exams eliminate the possibility of scheduling another winter meeting, committee members will receive the relevant documents electronically. On the management end, department heads are working on departmental plans and capital budget requests.

GAC

We met Wednesday, November 30 and discussed a number of topics. With respect to the awards program, eligibility and application volumes were brought up. We reviewed the preliminary November student group granting results, and we discussed goals for the winter term.

Student Group Granting

We completed the November Student Group Granting session and the preliminary results came in just under budget. One application is still pending – we may end up over again, will would result in all grants being scaled to fit the available resources, as is the usual practice.

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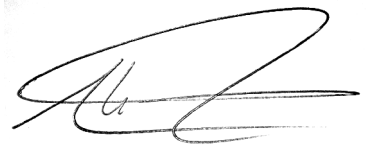
The Facilities Development Committee had a relatively short agenda on Thursday, November 24. Topics of interest included a discussion on the Learning Spaces Subcommittee draft report and an update on capital projects from the university's associate VP (Facilities and Operations).

Infolink

We reviewed another iteration of the main floor kiosk design last week, and we are honing in on a design that captures everyone's feedback. One issue is the need to create a booth that has a presence without being an obstruction to surrounding facilities. Another issue is the need to balance security with aesthetics.

Should you have any questions, comments or concerns, feel free to get in touch at 780-492-4236 or vp.finance@su.ualberta.ca. If you wish to discuss any topics in depth, I would welcome the opportunity to meet in person.

Cheers,



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