

October 9, 2012

To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Council

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Hello Council,

Below are the highlights since my last report.

### **SUB Renovation**

After our last Steering Committee meeting, we had a number of internal discussions to consider the preliminary schematic design option. This generated a substantial amount of additional feedback on both interior and exterior design, which we relayed to our architects at through a Design Subcommittee meeting.

### **PAW Centre**

The University received government approval to finance the project last week, allowing construction to proceed in the near future. A Steering Committee meeting took place last week, with a fair bit of discussion on the tender package schedule and budget details.

### **Student Group Granting**

The Student Group Granting Committee met on September 28<sup>th</sup> to conduct this year's second round of granting. Total awarded came in slightly over budget – individual grants were prorated to meet budget as per standard practice. The next round is at the end of November.

### **M-BAC/T-BAC**

Last week, the President, Vice President (Academic) and I attended a joint meeting of M-BAC and T-BAC. My focus was on the M-BAC component, during which we relayed a number of concerns about the striking lack of clarity in the first annual MNIF report from the University. Unfortunately the discussion was cut short, but we have been promised that additional information will be added to the report, including actuals for departments that are supported by fee revenues.

### **Miscellaneous**

Other activities in the last two weeks include attending a meeting with APIRG, a lecture from the University's Innovative Leaders Lecture Series, and a very positive meet-and-greet between the SU Executive and University Facilities & Operations.

Cheers,



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