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To: Students' Union Council

Re: Vice President Operations & Finance 2021/22 Report #17

Dear Council,

Hello there! We're in the home stretch now. Only a few more weeks until this semester is over. I'm sending you all the positive vibes during final exam season. For this week's Christmas song countdown, I present to you "Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas" by Michael Bublé - it's a classic. His Christmas album has been on repeat since the beginning of November.

Here's what I've been up to:

UASU Executive Job Shadowing officially opened this week! If you're thinking about running for an executive position or are just curious about what we do on a day-to-day basis, I encourage you to sign up. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out :)

Here is the link to sign up:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScHZnZCo9TRhac9to3_IrMqdUaRB4BXgdG27zQ4TROA2CZfyQ/viewform

U-Pass Update

VP Dixon and I sit on the U-Pass Administrative Committee that continues to meet semi-regularly. Overall, things have been going well with the U-Pass and the new SmartFare system. Because SmartFare is such a new system, we're looking to get as much student feedback as possible so that students can have the best transit experience possible.

Period Equity

VP Dixon and I took some time and brainstormed the next steps for the Period Equity initiative. The biggest thing that we're working towards is securing a sustainable funding source. We hoped that we would have had some additional funding by now, but, unfortunately, that's not been the case. Our next steps include an awareness campaign

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targeted at ending the stigma around periods and educating folks. We have a few ideas, but we're still in the initial stages of planning.

Perks

As I mentioned a while ago, back in September, we started to promote our current mental health and wellness services using UASU perks, a creative way to promote mental health using a popular platform to get the message out to students. This month, we have a "School Stress" up on Perks that reference the Peer Support Center, Empower Me, and a few other health and wellness services around campus. The survey went out at the beginning of November.

If you have any questions about anything in this report, please don't hesitate to reach out. As always, I'm always down to grab a coffee and chat.

All the best,



Emily