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To: Students' Union Council

Re: VPOF 2018/19 Report

Dear Council,

Hello, happy July! I hope you're all living your best lives- I certainly am. After spending the long weekend in Winnipeg, I feel refreshed and motivated. Although I am often exhausted in this job, everyday is super fulfilling as my team and I hack away at our goals.

Student Group Partnerships & The SU Catalogue

While working as the business Promotional Coordinator last year, one of my main duties was to reach out to student groups and form partnerships with them. This was part of former VP Operations & Finance Robyn Paches goal to bring students back to campus. In order to continue progress, we are currently working on the SU catalogue that I ran on- a consolidated booklet of all the SU resources and venues that student groups can use to host events, as well as price estimates. We hope that in making this information simple to understand and accessible, student groups can feel empowered to hold the events they want on campus, making it a more vibrant community.

Active Transport Advisory Group

A really interesting, exciting committee I'm sitting on is the Active Transportation Advisory Group. As I mentioned in our exec goal presentation at GovCamp, I am taking a keen focus on sustainability this year, both in our SU operations, but also in an advocacy role. This committee aims to recommend direction to the university admin when it comes to bike lanes on campus, safety, community collaboration, and active transportation resources that should be offered on campus.

Stampedein' & other shenanigans

I am headed to the Calgary stampede this weekend with VP Bourgeois and our Conferencing and Events department to do some volunteering and all the other typical cowgirl things. It should be a good time. After that, we will be meeting the team down in Lethbridge for our CAUS Counterparts conference, where I will be able to glean some inspiration from the other schools across the province, so that should be helpful.

Closing words & Office Hours

I can't believe how fast the summer is flying by! I'll be around RATT on the Patio this week again from 3:00-4:00, so feel free to stop by for a chat.

Cheers,

Emma Ripka - UASU VP Operations & Finance