

Date: 26/07/2018 To: Students' Union Council Re: VPOF 2018/19 Report

Dear Council,

Hello council! I'm thankful we moved council to this Tuesday, as I would have otherwise had to have missed it as I was on vacation in Toronto. At work, we have lots of projects are on the go right now, as we rapidly approach the start of fall semester. I'm really pleased where the team is at with our goals, as we have managed to divide and conquer, which feels great. Although I will not be in council this week, please feel free to write in any questions or email me directly, should you want to book a meeting to discuss anything.

FILISTIX HAS BEEN SAVED!

Coming soon to lower level SUB. That is all.

SUB Creation Space

To follow up on some questions that I received a couple weeks ago, here's an update on the SUB Creation Space: The only thing to finalize before the space is open to students for use is booking policy and security cameras. Seeing as there is thousands of dollars worth of equipment in the room, we need to do our due diligence. Thus, security cameras have been ordered, and a policy drafted. It will be reviewed in exec committee early August, with the intention to be ready to go by September so that students can have access to it.

Social and Environmental Responsibility Committee

As one of my focuses this year is on sustainability, I have been working with the folks in Sustain SU to get the Social and Environmental Responsibility Committee (SERC) up and running for the year. Originally created in 2013, SERC serves to analyze, research and recommend new ways of integrating sustainability within SU operations and advocacy. Although it is still in the early stages, I happy to get this ball rolling, so they can help steer the future of the SU's commitment to sustainability. Our plan is to contact potential committee members early August, and have our first meeting to lay the foundation (Review of TORs and goals) in mid-August.

Myer Horowitz Renovation Plan

Given last year's referendum failure, we now need to come up with a plan to address the Myer Horowitz theater, which is rapidly becoming a deferred maintenance issue. I have been reviewing the data gathered from the post-referendum survey, along with brainstorming ideas



for a potential future referendum. I plan to come to council in the coming weeks with an update on my findings and thoughts, so if you have any ideas or opinions in the meantime, please reach out.

Summer is flying, and so am I

As mentioned, I have been away in Toronto for the week to visit friends and recharge a bit. It has left me feeling refreshed and energized to tackle the last month of summer before fall rolls in.. It's crazy to me how fast summer is flying by; feels like just yesterday that we were all meeting for the first time. I hope everyone enjoys the last month! Unfortunately I will be gone for my regular office hours next week, so I will do 2 hours on Thursday, August 2nd in my office (SUB 2-900). I would love some visitors!

Take care, and don't forget to get outside and enjoy the SUNSHINE,

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