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UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

STUDENTS' UNION

OFFICE OF THE
VICE PRESIDENT (OPERATIONS & FINANCE)

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To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Students' Council

Why Hello There Council,

I swear every time I write one of these things it seems like I just finished the last. Summer flies by farrrrrr too fast and its scary. Am I getting old? Am I having too much fun? I feel like it may be a mix of both. Anyways, time to update. Tbh, not a ton has happened in the last couple weeks due to a mini vacation I took, but here we go!

Executive Coordinator Interviews

We wrapped up the interview process for our new executive coordinator last Tuesday. The hiring team, in consultation with all executives, has selected a candidate and we have sent them an offer. Once they hopefully accept the offer, we can announce our newest staff member!

Edwin Parr Composite High School Visit

Also taking place last Tuesday, I was lucky enough to host a high school tour. This was a super unique and exciting experience for me. My high school social teacher at Edwin Parr Composite High School in Athabasca reached out to me and asked if I would host them at the university. He was a two-term councilor during his education degree. With the help of the UAlberta Ambassadors, we toured his class around the school and the Students' Union Building, showing these rural students that university is much more than large lectures and exams. The tour was a great success, with positive feedback from each student and even more from my previous teacher. I swear, he was more excited to be back on campus than the students were!

The Gateway Interview

Just today I had a short interview with The Gateway for their first magazine of the year. It was a fairly straightforward interview outlining my goals and what students can reach out to me for. It finished with any financial advice I may have for students, cause I guess that's a thing with VP Finance. So kids, have a plan, don't eat out all the time, get deal cards and always pre-game.

*Stampede & Pemberton*

Since my last report I took some time to myself. Two weeks ago was Stampede, one of my favorite weekends of the year. There's nothing better for this small town boy than huge party tents full of country music and two-stepping a plenty.

Today is my first day back at work after returning from the wonderful world of Pemberton Music Festival. This year's four-day festival was one for the books. I went with an awesome group of around 30 that formed a huge mega camp miraculously in the chaos that was getting camping spots. All the shows were next level, with standouts like The Killers, Wiz Khalifa, Bass Nectar, Flosstradamus and J Cole. (Yeah I like rap and electronic lolol). Highly recommend Pemby for anyone looking for a music festival; it's a great balance of all kinds of music set in the insanely scenic Pemberton valley.

Until next time, and don't forget about my off council Tuesday from 4:30-5:30PM office hours!

Cheers,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robyn Paches', with a stylized, flowing script.

Robyn Paches