

Dear Council,

It's been a hectic month and summer seems to be flying by, it's hard to believe that almost three months have passed since I've started my term. In about a month campus is going to be vibrant with new and returning students eager and motivated and I simply cannot wait. In the meantime I will channel my excitement into my report and let you know some of the things I have been up to.

### **Event Calendar**

InfoLink currently has an event calendar currently which can be found at <https://www.su.ualberta.ca/services/infolink/promotions/>, I have been in conversations with to make this resource more visible on our website and changing some of the elements to make it more neat and user friendly. We will be in the process of redesigning our website this year and we will be looking at the metrics of usage on the calendar, I am curious to see how much traction this feature will obtain.

### **Campus Activities Board**

The Campus Activities Board is a board responsible for facilitating a campus wide event yearly and developing an evaluation mechanism and evaluating our current event portfolio. We have been working on creating the framework, terms of reference, and the job description for the Chair of the Board. The job description should be up by this council meeting and if it is not, it will be within the week so keep an eye out, I would love your help in advertising this posting.

### **Campus Food Bank**

I sit on the board of Campus Food Bank and it's quite an exciting year. It is the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Campus Food Bank. I've had a board planning session for a day as well, where we did a lot of brainstorming for the year. I'm eager to see the Campus Food Bank grow and thrive in the coming years.

### **Executive Retreat**

The executive committee had a full day retreat where we had a lot of discussions surrounding the upcoming year. It was helpful to timeline our goals and figure out logistics in some areas, as well as talk about the year as a whole to ensure that we remain organized and on track with everything we want to accomplish.

### **UASU Cares**

The data is currently being input on the website and our logo and imaging is being done as well. We are currently looking into promotional aspects and how we want to market this website throughout the year. Fear not, we will still be doing focus groups as we want as much feedback as possible and even after the launch the consultation will not end as this will be an ongoing project

for me. Once all of the data is input and the website is functional I will be meeting with many stakeholders to get as much feedback as possible.

### **Student Leader Connections**

I've had a chance to connect with student leaders from all the schools in Edmonton over the past month. The executive went to the Edmonton Student Alliance Mixer, in which we've discussed our areas of focus and ways we could collaborate.

We've had meetings with the SAMU (Student Association of MacEwan University) as well. It was neat to see in which areas our portfolios line up, and where our differences are as well, Jason (VPSL of SAMU) and I have a lot of similar goals and focuses so I expect plenty of collaboration over the year.

CAUS Counterparts has happened as well, where the executive team travelled to Lethbridge, we've had meaningful sessions where the VPSL/SA (Student Affairs) discussed many different topics with a primary focus on gender based violence prevention, reconciliation of the indigenous community and mental health.



Don't forget, I have office hours every Wednesday at 3:30 – 4:30PM in SUB 2-900. Feel free to visit, I love hearing your thoughts on all sorts of issues and want to stay engaged as possible throughout the year. Feel free to shoot me an email as well if you have any questions, ideas or just want to chat.



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