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To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Students' Council

Dear Council,

It's been a busy few weeks but I'm excited to be here once again to tell you about all the wonderful things going on within my portfolio. If you have any further questions do not hesitate to contact me as I would love to chat.

ACCESS Open Minds Launch

I've attended the ACCESS Open Minds Launch and it's truly a step in the positive direction for the University. The entire project does research on mental health as well as provides community brokers to guide individuals through the health care system to ensure they get the best mental health treatment during their time on campus. We are the only post-secondary institution engaging in this project and it provides an additional layer of mental health support. I sat on a panel following this event to explain the student perspective on mental health and how important mental wellness is in the scope of university.

Campus Activities Board

The Campus Activities Board is launching this upcoming week, we have an application for students at large if any of you are interested or know anyone right here:

<https://www.su.ualberta.ca/events/involved/cab/>

Mental Health Grant Review

We've been working closely with the Dean of Students Office to review the Mental Health Grant, and will be working collaboratively for years to come to ensure students have the best access and that we are using the government dollars to enhance our services to the best of our abilities. There have been many productive conversations and I am excited for the direction we are headed towards.

Welcome BBQ for Refugees

The executive and I attended a BBQ welcoming refugee students to the University of Alberta. WUSC is a great DFU and I am proud to stand by students contributing to this DFU to ensure that many great students get the opportunity to come and learn at the University of Alberta.

Green and Gold Day

I truly love seeing the colors, the parade and the hype on campus for this wonderful day. The weather was not optimal but it was a privilege participating in the Green and Gold Pep Rally and seeing everyone out at the parade!

RAC and RBAC

Have had both Residence and Residence Budget Advisory Committee meetings in the past two weeks, looking at residence issues and seeing how we can improve as a community to ensure we provide students the best services and prices.

Campus Law Review Committee

GFC Committees are back in swing and the one I sit on is the Campus Law Review Committee, this committee oversees the conduct portion of many procedures and policies put in place. I'm excited to do some great work on this committee for the year to come.

It's been an incredibly busy couple of weeks but there is still much to be done. I am excited to keep working for seven more months to ensure I get as much done as I can while I am in my role. My office hours are 4-5PM on Thursday at RATT, so come on by and chat with me about really anything. I'd love to hear from you guys!

Until next time,



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