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To: Students' Union Council

Re: Vice President Student Life 2020/21 Report #17

Hello council!

I hope the beginning of the semester is going well! I hope you all are settling into the semester and are prioritizing your mental health!

Sexual Violence

Amazing news! The rate for the MNIF increase has been set at \$1.50 per semester to pay the salary. This will be charged to all students and the MNIF is in Fall, Winter and Spring/Summer. This means students could pay a maximum \$4.50 a year. It is still unfortunate that students have to pay for the role but I am really happy with the price set. This will be transformative for the state of sexual violence on our campus and is desperately needed. The next vote for this will be on Wednesday, January 27th at 8am. I will update you all on how the vote goes!

Finding Identity: An LGBTQ2S+ Conversation on Intersectionality, Mental Health, and Allyship

This Thursday we will be hosting the second half of the EDI Speaker's Series. This one will be a conversation featuring: Ben O'Keefe, Jack Saddleback, Tiq Milan, and moderated by Kat Blaque. It will be from 6-8pm! You can find out more about it at uasu.ca/events/upcoming

Menstrual Products

After having some issues with our original dispenser that required us to return it, we have officially bought a new one! VP Krahn and I are really excited to receive this one and put it out. We are so thankful that Soroptomist saw the importance of this project and was supportive of us! We will update you all when we receive it!

Daycare

Okay finally!! I am so excited to tell you all about this. The UASU and the GSA will be partnering together to offer a daycare service to our students. After looking at our survey data, discussing with stakeholders and other service providers on campus, we have decided to work with Kids & Company. I have attached a business case for this decision for you all to learn more about the service. The benefits for students who parent are fantastic. I am happy to answer any questions about the service!

Empower Me Presentation

I gave a presentation to members of the Dean of Students' staff, including the Student Care Coordinators. I hope this service will continue to be more utilized by students who desperately need it.

There's lots going on with only a few months! I'm looking forward to working with y'all this semester! If you ever need to discuss anything, I am always here to talk.

Cheers,

Katie Kidd

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Also, here is a picture of my donkey Rudy for reading this far!

