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To: Students' Union Council

Re: Vice President Student Life 2021/22 Report #14

Hi y'all,

BOY HOWDY was this week busy! As we've mentioned, we were in Vancouver on the week of the 18th, so this week has been busier than usual because I've had to catch up on two weeks worth of work. If you celebrate Halloween, I hope you had a great spooky session. I would love to see your costumes!

Here are some of the things I've been working on for the last two weeks:

Sexual Violence Prevention and Response Work

Myself and the team continue to advocate for improved sexual violence prevention efforts and response processes. In the past week, I have been working with CORA to address concerns in residence, and I have also been working with Daniela Carbajal (big shout out to her for all her work) on some further advocacy on Vs case. Here are some more big updates that I can speak about in detail:

1. Hiring the Sexual Violence Prevention Coordinator

As I mentioned in my last council report, the University will soon hire the Sexual Violence Prevention Coordinator. Because students are paying for half of this position, we will be represented on the hiring committee, meaning that we needed to recruit a member at large. I have finished the interview process for potential candidates.

2. Launching the EndCSV Site

Last year Katie Kidd started working on a website that provided resources and support to those impacted by sexual violence. But the website was never launched. I have worked closely with marketing to edit the website and add/update the resources and information. Marketing also worked to create an Instagram that accompanies the site. *This is a big step in improving supports for survivors!*

By the time you read this report, the site and Instagram should have launched! Here's the link: <http://endcsv.org/>

Increases to rental rates

Every year, Residence Services can raise rental rates to account for CPI (basically inflation). At the RAC meeting, we received a presentation from Residence Services about their budget and the proposed increases. *They are proposing a 2.25% increase in rental rates and a 3% increase in meal plans.* This is less than they could have raised the rates as CPI is currently at 4%.

If you have any thoughts, questions or concerns regarding this increase, please let me know!

Indigenous Celebration Week Planning

Planning for Indigenous Celebration Week took up a lot of my time this week, and planning is going pretty well! All the presenters have been emailed, and we are eagerly awaiting their responses. Marketing is working with Indigenous artists to create promotional materials, and we are working to develop a COVID plan. We should have the schedule formalised by December so everyone can start planning what events they want to attend!

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out!

The Pronoun Campaign



(Yes, this is from Breaking Dawn)

The resources are printed and ready to go! Again I'm so sorry for the delay but things are looking good, and I'm so excited. I'm looking for volunteers who would be willing to

do one on ones on campus and hand out resources/stickers to educate folks about this important topic. If you want to help out, please DM me!

Best,
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