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To: Students' Union Council

Re: Vice President Student Life 2021/2 Report #22

Hi everyone!

I hope you are all surviving midterm session and are excited to return to in-person classes. Over the past two weeks, many exciting things have happened. Last week I spent a lot of my time planning the “No More Cuts” rally. Here's a quick overview of some of the things I'm working on and of the rally:

The No More Cuts Rally

On the 17th, we marched to the Legislature along with 250-300 students. The goal of this demonstration was to show the government, media, and public that enough is enough! We won't stand quiet in the face of further cuts because we deserve a high-quality education, jobs, and research opportunities.

Planning a rally takes a lot of time and effort so I'm really grateful to my team, to everyone who spoke, to everyone who came out, and to everyone who helped us promote this rally with over 120 class talks! It was a joint effort and I'm overjoyed by how folks came together and showed up for our community!

Here's a picture:



Sexual Violence Prevention and Response Work (3 BIG UPDATES IN THIS SECTION)

Since December, myself and members of CORA have been meeting regularly with members of residence services. This working group is called the “SV Response Communications Working Group”. This group is working to improve residence services’ communications about sexual violence and their support to survivors. *Later this month, residence services will be giving out resources to every resident about Sexual Violence, the supports available and more.*

On February 15th, the government announced that it will be giving \$2.5 million to “post-secondary institutions to support training and awareness programs on campuses”. This is the result of long term advocacy efforts by CAUS. Big shout out to Christian and others who made this happen! I am meeting with the Sexual Violence Prevention Coordinator this week to discuss how this money can be used at our institution.

Finally, we are working with student care to provide bystander intervention training in the coming months. I hope you will all be able to attend once that training is all set up!

Indigenous Celebration Week

I have no specific update for this; I just want to give y’all another reminder to mark your calendars and make sure you come out! You can view the schedule [here](#)!

Best,
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