

Date: 10/05/2018

To: Students' Union Council

Re: Report to Students' Council

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Dear Council,

Welcome to my first executive report! The executive team spent the last week at our transition retreat, which I found incredibly eye-opening and impactful. I spent the weekend reflecting on the experience, and took some time to recharge and connect with friends and family. I feel excited to get started on our goals and projects, and I cannot wait to hear your feedback and ideas as we move forward. I hope that this year will serve as an opportunity for us all to grow, share knowledge, and inspire positive change both within and beyond our campus community.

### 1. Housing for Students Who Parent (SWP)

The Housing for Students Who Parent working group includes representatives from the Students' Union, the Graduate Students' Association, the Office of the Dean of Students (DoS), University of Alberta International, and more. This week, we met to discuss the results of a survey that focuses on addressing the unique housing and service needs of students with children, as well as of students who plan to have a child. I learned a lot about the ways in which the university and the Students' Union can support SWP and I encourage any councillors with children or those who are planning to start a family to attend a consultation meeting on Wednesday, May 30th in the Glacier Room at Lister Centre from 6-8PM to provide feedback concerning the future housing and support needs for SWP. There is a link to RSVP on the VP Student Life Facebook page.

### 2. Campus Activities Board (CAB)

We have selected Brendan Samek as the chair of CAB for the 2018/19 year. Currently, we are in the process of scheduling a transition meeting for Brendan, as well as to discuss the direction of CAB moving forward. We will also be putting out a notice for any students interested in sitting on CAB following the transition of the chair. Personally, I feel as though the input we receive through CAB will help provide insight into how the Students' Union can be more inclusive in terms of the programming we offer, and I hope to collect data from various groups on campus to help guide the future direction of SU programming.

### 3. Personal Announcements

VP Ripka and I will be in Montréal for the Studentcare conference from May 18th-May 27th, where we will learn about student mental health, as well as the Health and Dental Plan. If anyone has any questions about Studentcare, I am more than happy to meet or chat over email when we return.

#### 4. Office Hours

I will hold my office hours from 12:00-1:00PM on Monday for the Spring and Summer months. During this time you are welcome to drop into my office in SUB 2-900 to chat. If this time does not work for you, you are welcome to schedule an appointment by emailing [andre.bourgeois@su.ualberta.ca](mailto:andre.bourgeois@su.ualberta.ca)

#### 5. Closing

Thank you very much for reading my report. I am looking forward to getting to know all of you, and I feel confident that we have a great year ahead of us. Feel free to contact me at any time, and I will be sure to get back to you within two business days.

Cheers,



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