

August 25th, 2015

To: University of Alberta Students' Council 2015/2016

Re: Vice President Student Life Council Report

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Hello Council,

My calendar is starting to make me cry a little, but it will be such a great time spent being productive and making memories for the year. Overall, I'm pretty excited! I hope you guys are ready for the school year! IT'S NEAR.

### **Advocacy**

**VP Hanwell and I** had a meeting with **Dean Everall (Dean of Students)** this past Monday to follow up some of our conversations regarding drafting a mental health funding proposal for the new government. Dr. Everall was super supportive with our goals and said that she would do whatever possible to help us in our endeavours. We have agreed to collaboratively put together a proposal and have the SU sign up as an indication of student support for the continue funding. We will continue to follow up on this conversation once we have received the student outreach numbers from Dr. Everall this week!

**President Khinda and I** had a hectic week supporting **Lister Hall Students' Association**. The appeal decision has dropped early August to suspend the LHSA, now we are in the progress of helping the LHSA team transition. It will be a tough process, but we are providing our best support.

### **Health and Services**

**Jason Murray** from **Counselling and Clinical Services** had the opportunity to come to one of the **COFA Member Services** meeting this past Monday to talk about **Positive U** and how he would want to see faculties involved in distributing and sharing the news about the Mental Health Package. It was overall a good and productive meeting. We are hoping to bring Jason to present at council if possible some time in the future as well.

### **Events**

The entire executive crew flew over to Vancouver for the annual **Students' Union Development Summit** at **UBC** to meet with our counterparts from across Canada. I also had the opportunity to fly in 2 days early as a vacation to pay some old friends a visit. It was just a fun-filled week with lots of knowledge and information to soak in. I gotta say it feels good to be back home though, now we're ready for the September rush. It's starting to pick up...

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*SUDS 2015 Participants from Various Schools! We had guests from Harvard as well, super interesting.*

Until next time,

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(submitted electronically)