

Date: 07/12/2022

To: Students' Union Council

Re: Vice President Student Life 2022/23 Report #5

Cher conseil, below you'll find my council report that gathers the work I've been doing over the past 2 weeks. Feel free to ask me any questions before our council!

Meeting with First Peoples' House

Last week, I had a meeting with Jessie Letendre, Acting Director, Student Service - FPH. We had a lovely conversation in regards to future collaboration. We were able to touch on some different areas of collaboration. We talked about the gaps in advocacy and initiatives there were, and how the SU can better support them this upcoming year. Some of these gaps include better support for Indigenous students in our residences and overall student life advocacy. We will be meeting again with Chelsea, who is our First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Specialist, as well as Shannon VP Outreach and engagement from the Indigenous Students' Union. Finally, we discussed working on the inclusion of a session on Indigenous history at Ascent and Basecamp in Residence.

Students Union Executive Tour of SU - VVC Space

I and the other executives had the chance to get a tour of the space we have in the Van Vliet Complex (this space is located by Social Street). We toured with Ashley Tuckwood, Supervisor/Customer Service, VPFO CCR Services Admin. We are having an initial conversation in regards to how we might use this space. The execs and I will have further discussions on this matter. We will also need to meet with our counterparts at the Graduate Students' Association since we share this space with them.

Horowitz Renovation Site Tour

Once again another tour! Marc and Brennan (Director, Conferencing, and Events in Conferencing & Events Administration Offices) organized a Horowitz tour for the executive team. We had the chance to meet some of the team working on renovations. They gave us an update on different sections of the theater. As a theatre kid myself, it was very exciting to see the changes and additions to the theatre.

Monthly meeting with Kevin

I meet monthly with Kevin. At our meetings, we update each other on our organization. As of right now, his team is working on getting ready for back to the start of school in the Fall. We also touched base to set up a few different meetings later this month. The first meeting will be to talk about student homelessness initiatives with Christian. For our second meeting, we will meet with Tim from Libraries to go over the *Family Lounge* details.

UASU Cares - AUFSJ, La Centrale

I had the pleasure of attending a meeting with AUFSJ (CSJ Students Association) and La Centrale (Student services) with Julia to talk about UASU Cares. Julia wants to expand on UASU Cares and make sure it is inclusive of the resources we have at Campus Saint-Jean. The main goal is to make sure we update our website so that our french-speaking students from CSJ know where they can get french resources if using UASU Cares. I also made Julia aware of the various services and resources in the community that we can add to our website.

SU SV Handbook Discussions

Earlier this last month I met with Sam from the Sexual Assault Centre and Deb, Sexual Violence Response Coordinator to talk about the creation of a Sexual Violence Policy Handbook for students. The goal is to create an easy guide resource for students and survivors to use once the Sexual Gender Based Policy goes

through Governance. Student Legal Services is working on a similar project that dives deeper into the legal rights students have that may not be in the policy. I had a meeting with them, and there is a chance for collaboration. As of right now, we will continue to work with our respected teams and see what collaboration may look like in the future.

Meeting with Residence

I had my first meeting with Laura Huxley, Manager, Residence Life and Education, Vice-President Facilities & Operations - Residence Life. This was more of an introductory meeting to set expectations for our working relationship as well as setting up regular meetings. We were able to touch on some different discussion items. I kept track of the progress of the Residence SV Working Group implementations. They are working on improvements to RA training and Basecamp to be implemented this fall. I also followed up with her in regards to the ARRC Recommendation for Indigenous educational content to be added in Residence. She will follow up with two of her staff members, who will be working on training for RAs and a session for all residents. I'm really happy with the progress we're making on this and reconciliation overall.

Monthly meeting with Campus Food Bank

I met with Erin, Executive Director, and Madi, programs manager to go over some project updates. They are currently working on putting together some future campaigns in the fall. Look out for those and I'll be sure to let you know how you can get involved. I am also working with CFB to support La Centrale and Campus Saint-Jean on the grocery bus initiative. It was cut 2 years ago due to budget cuts. CFB has received funding for transportation-related to food and will be able to offer support to CSJ. We are still having an initial conversation with CSJ to figure out the logistics.

Meeting with CSJ Dean and AUFSJ

I had an introductory meeting with both the new dean of Campus Saint-Jean, Dr. Carrey and Taylor, AUFSJ President. I wanted to go over their goals for the year, both from the student and administrative perspectives. We share many of the same goals; Better support for Indigenous students, Student Services advocacy, student life, etc. We will reconnect to go over our advocacy strategies and ensure I can support them to the best of my capacity.

Meeting with Augustana (ASA ED)

I met with Cindy Roose, the Executive Director of the Augustana Students Association. I wanted to touch base to get some context for advocacy-related initiatives. We had a very good conversation in regards to how we can work together this year. She will help me with the creation of the Residence Association and support the student leaders taking on this initiative. We will also reconnect to go over advocacy initiatives such as: SV Supports, Residence, and Campus Services.

Sexual Violence

Last week, I met with Deb, the Sexual Violence Response Coordinator. I went over the Sexual Gender-Based Violence and Student Misconduct Policy with her. BoG Rep, Alex, and I invited her to our next Students Council meeting. You will get the chance to go through the updated drafts and any questions you may have about the policy and next steps. Feel free to reach out to me directly if you have any specific questions. We also want to host a student leader forum to go over SV initiatives updates and get student input for the next steps.

Finally, I'll be committing to including CSJ fun facts for you all with the hope you can leave this year knowing more about our lovely french campus!

#FaitAmusant : Saint-Jean is about as old as the University of Alberta! The University of Alberta was founded in 1908 and so was Saint-Jean! Sort of... When Campus Saint-Jean was still the Juniorate Saint-Jean, it was actually first founded in 1908 in Pincher Creek. The Juniorate moved to Edmonton in 1910 and officially settled in where it is now in 1911.

Okay that's all for me! Merci!

Sincèrement,



Joannie Fogue

Vice President Student Life

University of Alberta Students' Union