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To: Students' Union Council

Re: Vice President Student Life 2022/23 Report #21

Hey folks, I hope you are all doing well. I just want to wish good luck to candidates and sides running in this year's elections. Click [here](#) for information. Remember to vote March 8 & 9.

[ACTION REQUIRED] Reminder Student Mental Health Survey is Live!

This survey is step one in a multi-tiered approach that the Working Group will be taking to engage with our students, faculty, staff and community regarding student mental health and their experiences.

- *Students! Help inform the future of student mental health at the U of A! Take the National Standard Mental Health Survey and enter a draw for one of 100 OneCard gift cards valued at \$20 (CDN) each.*
- [Take the survey](#)

Attending the Alberta Recovery Conference

I was able to attend the Alberta Recovery Conference. They were able to discuss many different important topics. One important discussion that was had was the Alberta model : recovery-oriented systems that build recovery capital, a province-wide systems change. This was essentially the main theme of the 2 days. Here are the different sessions I was able to attend :

- - Dr. Keith Humphreys, Incentives for Recovery in Treatment and in the Criminal Justice System
- - Implementing Recovery Oriented Systems of Care that Build Recovery Capital, a Systems Change,
- - Dr. Julian Somers - Bringing Out the Best In Each Other
- - Dr. Ijeoma - Achara-Abrahams, Saving our Communities with Reimagined Systems of Care
- - Recovery and the Indigenous Perspective, Recovery on campus
- - Moving Towards Recovery-Informed Workplaces, Everyone Has a role
- - Radical Honesty: How Telling the Truth Changes our Brains and Promotes Recovery - Yes I am attending the Closing Speaker

Mandatory Non Instructional Fee Joint Oversight Committee

Myself, Abner and Julia continue to meet with the committee to go over agreements and principles. Next, I want to focus on the special fee for the Sexual Violence Response Coordinator. Last year the special fee was created to hire the new SVRC, but this was only set for the next two years. With the UofA's SV Audit Report and cases going up it is clear that we need to extend and make this position permanent.

Residence Updates

More information in regards to food concern in Residence.

- Cleaning – A master cleaning schedule is in place to ensure that all areas receive daily as

well as a deeper cleaning on a fixed schedule.

- Organization – All areas are kept organized so that clutter is kept to a minimum.
- Pest Control – A reputable third party company assists in monitoring for pests within the areas that Aramark operates. Inspections take place a minimum of once per month. Additional visits are scheduled when sightings occur. The third-party vendor provides recommendations as needed, which we then act upon.
- Training – As part of Aramark's onboarding and orientation, all new and existing Aramark employees are trained annually on how to recognize, prevent and report pests.
- Auditing – Aramark operations are audited regularly by multiple agencies to ensure compliance. This includes local management, Aramark corporate support and public health officials.

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