

**Date:** 11/18/2022

**To:** Students' Union Council

**Re:** Vice President Student Life 2022/23 Report #13

**Cher conseil,** I hope everyone has been doing well. It's also midterm season, remember to prioritize your well-being and practice self-care.

### **PERIOD EQUITY**

Myself and VP Villosos, continue to meet with different counterparts to discuss period equity. We are currently in the state of finalizing more specific details. We have established a system with the Registrar's Office, that will allow us to target students receiving supplementary bursaries. This allows us to make sure we are getting products directly to students. We are now hashing out the details for delivery. Because this is already a negative experience for many individuals, we want to make sure we take the time to anticipate any barriers they may encounter and address them now rather than later. We are very happy to see where this initiative is going and looking forward to sharing more.

### **SUPPORTING SGs**

I have been receiving many emails from student leaders across campus. I have spent a lot of my past two weeks, meeting with these individuals and making sure I connect them to the right individuals and/or resources they may need. I love meetings like this, it allows me to connect with more students on campus and their different initiatives.

### **WORKING WITH RESIDENCE ASSOCIATIONS**

As some of you may know, we have had interim executives for some of our residence associations. I have been working alongside, SGS and residence services to make sure we can fill these seats, and best support these individual residences. I was able to get an interest form circulating, and got some individuals who I will be working with to go through transition and empower them to run their RAs. We have also identified general concerns that come up with RAs, come general elections. I keep having conversations with SGS, and will be inviting them to CORA, so we can discuss together how to work on these; such as reviewing the constitution and election bylaws.

I met with different individuals from CCR and Residence to talk about funding for Residence associations. For those of you who may not be aware, every year CORA sends funding requests for various projects related to each residence. This is money coming from Residence Services. I also made sure to meet with CCR, to get the information RAs would need to apply for the Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund. Many of the requests we've seen have fallen into recreational services.

#### **FYI - CAMPUS RECREATION ENHANCEMENT FUND**

The Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund was created to help ensure that the high quality of Recreation Services programs, equipment, and facilities remains diverse, convenient, accessible, equitable, and affordable to all University of Alberta Students' Union members. The Campus Recreation Fund will be accepting applications for the 2023-2024 funding year as of December 10, 2022. Eligible student groups, club sports, Campus and Community Recreation Departments, and other University of Alberta applicants can fill out this [application](#).

### **MEETING WITH SGBV ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Deb Erkes who chairs this group was able to go through the Policy suite update. A lot of it spoke to the changes that we had brought up at the Board of Governors. We then got some updates in regard to education and training. They have been doing an audit of any form of education given across our campuses speaking to SGBV. They have also been identifying key aspects that will need to be reflected in the training given to the Option Navigating Network. This is an item the council will be focusing on. Some of the questions we'll be thinking about for the next meeting:

- What are some ways we can provide more clarity on options for support, modifications, interim measures, and complaints when the best we have now is, "it depends"?
- Where can we send students for support when our counseling services are overloaded?
- Duty to report under OHS

If you have any feedback, please do not hesitate to let me know. Finally, we are also discussing mandatory training, which has been a big priority for me.



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