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To: Students' Union Council Re: VP(X) 2018/19 Report

Dear Council,

Apologies for the late report. I am currently in the very cold and snowy Winnipeg, it's hard to escape this winter! A few things to note since the last Council meeting:

1. Updates

- Anti-Racism Framework Consultation: I was happy to take part in this consultation
 with the rest of the Executive, students, public members, and Education Minister David
 Eggen. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss how the framework could apply to
 post-secondary campuses. For more information on the government's work to combat
 racism, click here.
- CASA Alumni Council: On February 6th, I chaired a meeting of the CASA Alumni Council, an advisory group of former CASA delegates and staff. We discussed better networking methods between current delegates and alumni, as well as their takes on the voluntary student unionism situation in Ontario.
- Candidate meetings: President Larsen, myself and EAA Nelson met with NDP candidate Janis Irwin and UCP candidate Jeff Wedman (separately) on February 6th. We discussed the SU's priorities heading into the provincial election, including affordability, deferred maintenance, mental health, and more. Both candidates were receptive to our asks, and we look forward to hopefully seeing student-friendly ideas in all parties platforms.
- University of Manitoba Meetings: While in Winnipeg, I gave a presentation on CASA to the University of Manitoba Students' Union Board of Directors along with CASA Secretary Lauren Slegers and CASA Executive Director Manjeet Birk. It was very well received and we look forward to continuing to build a productive relationship with UMSU. We also met with the President of the UofM Graduate Students' Association to discuss the work CASA does regarding graduate students.

2. Coming up

- Political meetings: On February 13th, I will be meeting with UCP candidate David Dorward, and on the 14th I will be meeting with UCP MLA Laila Goodridge.
 MLA Goodridge is also an alumnus of Campus Saint-Jean.
- **Leave of absence:** From February 15 to March 7, I will be taking a leave of absence for the SU elections. Please contact President Larsen or EAA Nelson should you need anything concerning my role in that time.

I would like to wish everyone an engaging, positive, and hard-working election season!



Kind regards,

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