

Office of the VICE PRESIDENT (EXTERNAL)

To: Students' Council

Re: VPX report to Council

Hello,

This report will be short, as I have been away on vacation for a week.

GOTVP, ERC, FGD:

My week here was focused on three things: GOTV presentation, Election Review Committee, and Final Goals document. The fruits of this work will be presented at council meeting. I have spent some of that time: finalizing the budget for GOTV, looked into some of the history of bylaw 2000, and research on Single Transferable Vote.

Student Financial Assistance Appeal Committee:

On Thursday July 7th, I spent 4 hours in a committee under AET that reviews appeals from students with regards to Student Financial Aid related issues. The committee has been an eye opening experience for me as I have seen some of the problems in the Student Financial Aid system. I also learned more about the system itself.

Mandatory Non-Instructional Fees Draft Letter:

Following up on a meeting between Rory Tighe and Carl Amrhein, provost of the UofA, we are currently in the process of drafting a letter to the provost outlining a system for the implementation of new Mandatory Non-Instructional Fees (MNIFs). I have met with Justin Williams, the Director of Research and Political Affairs, and Emerson Csorba to discuss the substance of this letter. Most of the content of this letter will be based on the Students' Union Political Policy on Mandatory Non-Instructional Fees.

Cheers, Farid

"The only man who makes no mistakes is the man who never does anything." Theodore Roosevelt