

January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012

To: Students' Council

Re: VPX Report to Council

## **Lobby Training**

I spent a lot of time this week working on organizing Lobby Training Program. We have a tentative date of Saturday February 4<sup>th</sup>. Once the date is finalized we will be advertising for it on our website, where you will be able to register. Duncan Wojtaszek has already confirmed his attendance. We're hoping to invite Linda Duncan as well.

## **CASA Long Term Strategic Planning Committee**

From Wednesday January 11<sup>th</sup> to Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> CASA's Long Term Strategic Planning Committee worked in Quebec (in a camp an 40 minutes north of Ottawa) on CASA's 2012 Strategic Plan. We have written a Draft of the Plan, and we will now be working on a rigorous consultation process to ensure the passage of the plan come CASA Annual General Meeting in March. If you would like to see the draft please send me an email and I will follow up with you.

## **GOTV update**

On Friday January 20<sup>th</sup>, we will be having a volunteer training session for GOTV's volunteers. Next week we will be putting up the posters. Maura has also created a new Facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Get-Out-The-Vote/219878228098242> Please "Like" it.

CAUS in conjunction with CASA and Apathy is Boring is working on finalizing a Research proposal to do a survey of students who participated in the GOTV. The research will focus on what kind of messaging works for students.

## **CASA update**

Please check out the following Bulletin from CASA's home office: <http://casa-acae.us1.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=a95a4c222b2cfd77ff67c0209&id=3c2e8f5293&e=b51dbe1fdf>

The audience for this document is Students' Council. If you go to Pages 5 and 6, you will learn all about the age-old debate of Tax Credits vs. Grants. The UASU has historically been and continues to be on the Grants side of the debate. If you want to know why, ask.

Cheers,  
Farid