

Report to Council
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Good evening Council, the past few weeks have been very busy with school, as I'm sure many of you are as well. Although my time in the office has been more limited than in past periods, there past three weeks have been very productive.

Budget Committee

Budget Committee met once prior to this council meeting to go over the feedback and recommendations from council on the budget from the previous council meeting. We took your feedback to heart and produced a series of budget amendments which, in our opinion, reflect both the ideas of council and those we serve, the student body. I would again like to thank our two students at large for all the work and input they put into the consultation process, and the meetings.

We will soon begin the work of next year's budget shortly. In the remaining weeks of the school year I will be meeting with the committee members to strategize and come up with more ideas for budget consultation for the 2019-2020 year.

Funding Committee

Funding committee has met once since our last council meeting. Funding committee is proud to say we had approved a staggering 32 people for academic enrichment funding. This amount is much higher than last year, and we are very happy to give back as much as possible to the students. One major problem with this event is that we have to go over budget in order to give all 32 deserving students funding. Normally this is not a problem for one month, however based on applications coming in for future months and rumours of conferences coming up the question should be raised if the Funding committee will have a big enough budget to operate effectively this year.

Yearbook

On november 9th I was emailed by alumni, who informed my application to the UPEI Annual Fund for the yearbook was approved. This application was made so that yearbook can produce a commemorative book for UPEI's 50th birthday, celebrating the university and its achievements through a student lense. Part of this grant is for the salary of someone to research and write the content of the book. We will start looking for someone shortly for that so If you know anyone with research skills and an interest in history be sure that they apply when the application is open.

In Conclusion

It has been a very eventful couple weeks, and I will remain busy throughout the rest of the year with the Yearbook, preparations for Budget 2019, bank reconciliations, helping clubs with finances, and any other little thing that may come up. Have a great Christmas break.

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