

Hello everyone, it's great to see you all again tonight, I apologies for not being in attendance at the last council meeting but I was watching along via Facebook live. I want to wish all of you luck on your exams this semester and an even better holiday break. Moving into my report,

The Canadian Federation of Students National General Meeting

This conference took place from Nov 16th - 20th in Gatineau Quebec. As members of the CFS we felt it was important to attend this conferences considering that UPEI students do invest around \$40 000 into the group. While attending the conferences I was elected onto the Budget Committee as the PEI rep and got to get a real understanding of the organization's finances. At the last conferences CFS saw several schools get kicked out of the organization and because of this CFS had to make very significant cuts to their budget of around \$500 000. However some of these cuts have been overturned and voted to keep spending money that they don't have and because of this CFS will be operating with a deficit this year. We also voted on some very important issues to PSE and some that have no value to PSE in Canada. If you would like some more information about these please reachout to myself or the VPAX.

I was back on the Island from the 21th - 22nd before I left again for the Canadian Alliance of Students Association. During this time I was busy meeting with our staff and getting caught up on everything that took place while I was away. I had a Board call with CASA on Tuesday as we prepared for the upcoming conference to ensure we were prepared for the busy week ahead. While I was away I want to thank John, Sarah, & Emily who helped me with the AVC exams packs as they write their exams, I was informed the event went very well and I was happy to see this continue this year. I am currently working with a students who is looking to plant a tree on campus in memory/dedication to members of our community that have suffered with mental health. This project will see a Tree planted as a monument to our community to show our support for our campus community, once I have more information I will report back on this.

The Canadian Alliance of Students Association Advocacy week

From the 23rd - Dec 1st, I was traveling for CASA. As the Treasurer I attend a two conferences before CASA began in Sherbrooke Quebec for the QSU. This was a great opportunity for CASA to show our support for Quebec students. I arrived in Ottawa on the 24th and we jumped right into Advo week. This year our ask to the government included

1. Co-ops and internships for international students
2. Helping International Students Navigate the Immigration System
3. 100% WIL
4. Preventing Sexual Violence on Canadian Campuses
5. Putting Research Funds in Students' Hands
6. Financial Aid for inclusive Graduate Studies

I was assigned several meeting with Ministers and Senators including

1. MP Sean Casey
2. MP David Sweet
3. Universities Canada

4. MP Harold Albrecht
 5. Sen. Diane Griffin
 6. Sen. Percy Downe
 7. MP Francesco Sorbara
 8. Minister Macaulay
- I will note that some of these meetings may have changed, canceled or replaced with different meetings. I wrote this report on Tuesday. I can also give you an update on how these ask went and what was of interest from the MP/Senators.
 - CASA is also going to be having our board meeting on Friday so during Sunday I will review the meeting with you.

Considering the timeline for this council meeting I will go over the BOG meeting on Sunday and provided a verbal update. I will also be attending the University holiday party in Ottawa this coming Thursday.

Notes from Council

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