May 12th, 2016
To: University of Alberta Students’ Council 2016/2017
Re: Vice President Student Life Council Report

Hi Council!

I hope that you’re enjoying your summer so far! As for me, I’ve spent the last couple of weeks getting settled in and getting to know our staff.

*This report covers the following days: May 4th to May 12th*

**ADVOCACY**

*Residence Advocacy*

Our predecessors’ advocacy efforts pertaining to issues in Residence and in Lister in particular resulted in the creation of a Residence Life Task Force and having 8 rooms secured in Lister for representatives who will be taking on advocacy and community building roles.

**Lister representatives**

These representatives will fill the gap in representation that we currently have in Lister (until the LHSA restarts in 2017) and will have an instrumental role to play in that transition. They will be employees of the Students’ Union, hence the motion that will be brought forward during this council meeting.

The job offers were posted on jobkin on May 10th, with the amount of pay being under review.

**Residence Life Task Force**

If you know of any students who would like to share their experience in any U of A residence, please direct them to me so we can compile the list of folks that would want to be interviewed once the Task Force starts meeting.
GOVERNANCE

Finance Committee
On May 10th, the Finance committee discussed the compensation of the Lister representative positions and came to recommend to students’ council that we fund the positions from the Students’ Union’s Unrestricted Reserve.

HEALTH AND SERVICES

Wellness Summit
Alberta Post-Secondary Institutions get together to talk about a specific theme under the general umbrella of wellness, which this time, is “Changing the Culture of Substance Use on Campus”. The summit will take place in Calgary, on June 14th and the link to register is in an e-mail sent to council. If you’re interested in going, please let me know so we can coordinate transportation & car-pooling!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pride Parade 2016
This is a reminder to sign the waiver that was sent to the council e-mail by May 20th if you want to walk in the parade on June 4th! We’ll be joining the Landing float and it would great if we can all show our support and create a good SU presence!

Office hours
Fridays 12 pm to 1pm starting on May 20th.
Every first Friday of the month, I will be out doing one-on-ones!

Until next time!
~Francesca Ghossein