

**Date:** 06/16/2020

**To:** Students' Union Council

**Re:** BoG Rep 2020/2021 Report #4 - **Public Perceptions and Student Orientations**

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Dear Council,

**Appointments:** Janice MacKinnon was voted to be the vice-chair of the Board's Reputation and Public Affairs committee, upon recommendation, which is noteworthy to me, considering her work on the MacKinnon Report. I am interested to see what ideas she brings to meetings and will make sure to remain firm in my own principles and willing to speak out against things that threaten student well-being.

### Meetings

1. **Students' Council:** these last two weeks have been more focussed Students' Council and its committees than the board. I appreciated the context GovCamp gave me about UASU's direction and their interaction with university administration and government.
2. **Board:** we have a meeting next Friday, so I will begin preparing. Additionally, we are having a goodbye/hello meeting for old and new members next Monday. I look forward to connecting with some folks!

### Current Projects

1. **Social Media:** still in correspondence with secretaries. Right now the concern is communicating board outcomes while not being Kate Chisholm, the chair, because the chair is designated as spokesperson for the board. I'm going to meet with Kate to discuss what communication to students can look like. I'm excited to hear her thoughts and impress upon her and other board members the value of communicating well with and to students.
2. **Governance Content in NSOs:** in an exciting turn of events VP Kidd connected me with WOW coordinators and I am now contributing to two projects about students learning about university governance in their orientations. This will involve sharing my own experiences/wisdom and consulting Kate Chisholm and other board members to give a clear picture of what BoG is, to students, and show the board that student organizers want incoming students to know about university governance, fostering a culture of awareness, accountability and hopefully, positive change through diplomatic, relational advocacy.
3. **Board Re: CSJ Funding:** going first to the chair of BRPAC, I have been directed to chat with Catherine Swindlehurst, Vice-President University Relations, to get more details on the North Campus's perspective on this issue. I hope to communicate the urgency and

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importance of CSJ's situation. I'll also be in contact with AUFSJ members to be a bridge between groups and strategize effectively.

Thanks for reading!



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