Dear Council,

Hello hello! You’re almost there! Only 2 weeks left of school, so keep your head up and kill those exams. The office tends to quiet down a bit in December due to exams, so it’ll be a good chance to catch up on some projects. Here are a couple updates.

Capital Planning

I hope you’re not getting too tired of my updates on this project because they will keep coming! The Executive Campaign Crew has been doing consultations with Faculty Associations, and have been getting incredible feedback. I will be giving an update on how this feedback is being incorporated into our proposal, and what the future of the capital plan is.

Daily Grind

We got honey!!!!!! That is all.

Committees & things

Here are a couple of updates from various committees

● SERC: We have begun fleshing out the idea of doing an audit on the SWAG that the SU gives out to students. This will entail comparing the SWAG purchased to the SWAG that students actually want, as well as recommendations as to how to engage students without the use of wasteful material items.

● Tuition Budget Advisory Committee: Admin has been providing us with steady updates with their upcoming proposal for tuition heading into next year’s budget season. They are currently smoothing out the details as to what a cohort model of tuition would be, and seem to be listening to our constant messaging around predictability, which is good.

● Strategic Planning Committee: Things are going well, we have completed the mission, vision, values section of the plan and have moved on to goals and key initiatives.
Personal Announcements & Things to Note

I am looking forward to the upcoming weeks as December is a quieter month so I can take some time to make progress on a couple goals such as the SU Catalogue and Dewey’s strategic plan. If you’d like to stop by and say hi, or make a meeting for office hours, shoot me a message at emma.ripka@su.ualberta.ca Have a wonderful break!!

Kind regards,

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