



Report of the President to Council, September 7th, 2016

Hey folks! I am looking forward to being AUS President for the 2016-2017 academic year! As AUS President, my tasks include overseeing the day to day activities of the AUS, acting as the AUS official spokesperson, and most importantly managing the coordination of service provision and programming that best addresses the needs of AUS students. This year I am looking forward to implementing AUS mental health initiatives and increasing interdepartmental collaboration. Look forward to seeing you around campus!

Summer:

- Focused on hiring and contract creation for a lot of May. In addition to our secretary general, which was a new position as of January of last year, we have added a Deputy Secretary General. I met with them a few times early in the summer, as well as recently, to discuss an overhaul of our HR system to streamline and clarify departments and responsibilities. As well, the DSG is going to be taking charge on AUS payroll, which will cover Snax, workstudy executives, and our student executive assistants, to cut down on conflict of interest when running payroll.
 - Also centralized an HR list of all AUS employees, to make resources more accessible to more members of the community.
- Speaking of Student Executive Assistants, we moved from a system of one full time employee to multiple part time employees for this year. As of now we have two, but due to scheduling, we will be adding one more. They are currently handling quotidian tasks like locker rentals and table bookings, but will also be trained in quick books. As students, they are still allowed to participate in AUS committees.
- Initially, we were supposed to have two speakers for AUS council this semester – Priya, from last year, was to be speaker as Jonathan was to train until Priya left in December and Jonathan took over full-time... but Priya had a conflict and was forced to resign.
- Met with Interim Dean Meadwell and Dean Maioni to discuss plans going forward. We want to increase collaboration between the faculty and the society, as well as to promote members of both. We might host a welcome back breakfast with Maioni in the near future.
- Quite a bit of routine, boring work that is status quo – website maintenance, emails, etc.
- We received Departmental Mosaics at the end of last year – please swing by the office and pick them up in case people from last year want them!
- Did a lot of roll-over stuff such as banking changes, board of director changes, etc.

Committees

- This year I am sitting on Faculty of Arts Committee, FMC, CBRC, ACLFC, Equity, and AIOAC. As well, I will be working closely with Kia on MHAUS, which is a new AUS mental health initiative.
- Met with MHAUS commissioners last night – Planning an expo to showcase different mental health initiatives on campus, planning videoseries, and research to improve policy surrounding mental health (i.e. if you have to drop out). Another meeting scheduled for Tuesday.
- Meeting with AIO coming up on the thirteenth. Going to be speaking at the AIO conference on September 20th on behalf of AUS.



- Faculty of Arts will begin Tuesday the 27th.
- In the process of recruitment for CBRC, Equity, etc. I would like to welcome our equity commissioners to council, who did a stellar job working with Frosh this summer.

Other Meetings

- Kira and I met with the building admin to go over room booking privileges this year and to outline clearly our rights and responsibilities.
- Working closely with SNAX to develop sustainable hr practices, as well as to improve our relationship with them
- Erik and I are going to be meeting with the DPSLL on Friday the 23d to discuss the internalization of our temporary letter of allowance into our MOA. Very nervous about this. We need sandwiches.

Events

- AUS Activities Night: Sept 12
- Departmental Orientation: Sept 14
- AUS Executive Retreat: Sept 6-18
- Staff Welcome Wine and Cheese: Sept 20th
- Won't pretend to take any credit for this – Shout out to Kira

Miscellaneous

- Flood slowed down a lot of transition
- AUIF purchases made this afternoon, the lounge will be closed on September 19th to build new stuff.
- Fielding many emails for involvement opportunities. If you know of any opportunities opening up in your department, I would be happy to forward them to some keen new youngsters.
- Students from the Liberal Arts Department have reached out to me about incorporating, so I am in the midst of researching that process.
- Leacock's will make the return of the century this year. If you don't know what Leacock's is – you will! We have a ton of interest for editorial positions.

Respectfully Submitted,

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President