

January 8/9, 2017  
To: Students' Council  
Re: Report to Students' Council

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Hello Council,

I hope everyone had a restful holiday break and is excited for winter semester. I took some vacation time in December and our offices were closed for Christmas, so this will be a brief report. We are also having two meetings in a row, on January 8 and 9, so this report is intended for both meetings.

Please find a summary of my work below.

### University Business

#### Deans Council

VP Scott and I presented to the Dean's Council on the role of the Students' Union and of Faculty Associations. The presentation went very well, however not all Dean's were present which was disappointing.

#### Board of Governors

I had a Board of Governors meeting before the holiday break. Regretfully the open session was relatively short, so there is not much to publically report. It is my personal belief that more should be discussed in the open session.

### External Business

#### Municipal

VP Larsen and I have started our meetings with the newly elected and returning city councilors. So far we have met with Councilor Knack and Councilor Hamilton. Both meetings were very productive and we primarily discussed transit and infill.

### Other Exciting Endeavors

#### Internal Business

The executive had a short in office retreat before the break. We discussed how our goals are coming along as well as how to make the most of our last semester.

Everything else!

The executive and I attended the Day of Remember event in SUB on December 6, which commemorates the lives lost in the Montreal Massacre. It was my second time attending the ceremony and both times it was very moving.

Before the break I attended many holiday dinners including the alumni council, board of governors, and students' union dinner. All of the meals were excellent celebrations of the year and a great chance to connect more informally with colleagues.

I volunteered in the SU casino day before the break. The Students' Union gets to work in the casino for two days every year. It was very fun and always raises a lot of money for the Students' Union.

Closing Remarks

My Winter semester office hours will be Tuesdays from 12:00PM-1:00PM in SUB 2-900! Feel free to drop by if you have any questions or would like to discuss anything.

Thank you for reading my report and happy to answer any questions you may have.

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