

Fall 2014 Semester Work Report - Applied Sciences Representative

Board Outreach

This semester saw a high influx of new high school students into my faculty and SFU in general. This provided an excellent opportunity to share information about the SFSS (including BuildSFU and later the AGM items related to the project) via both a welcome day on the Surrey campus as well as being available for the annual Midnight Madness event which is put on by the DSUs in Applied Sciences. In addition, I attended as many DSU meetings as my class schedule would allow for which the frequency increased in the run up to the AGM held in October.

In addition, I held weekly office hours and appointments when required to assist with any concerns from students within the faculty. As required by policy, I also attended Clubs Days and not only manned the SFSS table from time to time but also approached many clubs housed under my faculty to see if there were any concerns that I could alleviate.

Committee Work

I currently sit on RAC, ComSerCom, and the BuildSFU Building committee. RAC only met once this semester in which I was tasked with editing a ChildCare subsidy policy change report by SFSS President Chardaye Bueckert. Whilst I ultimately could not finish the report, I did extensive research into how much local daycares charge as well as the monetary coverage provided by the BC Government for children of specific ages.

The BuildSFU Building Committee is essentially one where members are updated about specific features of the BuildSFU project and as such, no committee work was assigned to SFSS Representatives.

Whilst ComSerCom did meet a few times, I was unable to attend due to an academic conflict. If the meeting time is the same time as during Fall, this should not be an issue this semester.

FAS Formal

Outreach for this project began at the beginning of September in order to recruit volunteers to assist with various aspects of holding a formal event including obtaining in-kind sponsorship, researching venue locations, designing a budget and so on. Furthermore, I held almost monthly meetings with said volunteers outlining the progress of various aspects included in this event.

For the first time in recent history, a survey was created and sent out to the student body at the beginning of December. Not only did we receive a little under 200 responses but this feedback allowed us to adjust portions of the formal to coincide with what the students

wanted. It also serves as a template for future App Sci Reps if they wish to conduct their own survey to further improve on the previous year's formal event.

FASSU

The proposed Faculty of Applied Sciences Student Union Constitution and By-laws required a lot of time in order to have language consistent with other FSUs. In addition, the document has elicited feedback from many DSU executives and due to the variety of responses, a lot of ground has been covered in order to ensure that FASSU can go to referendum in the spring.

One of the biggest decisions involved taking the Student Development Fund out of the document since there was no framework currently in place to accept such a levy. This was not perceived to be a long term concern since the constituents could vote in SDF related causes at any General Meeting of FASSU as outlined in the document.

Spring 2015 goals:

- Take FASSU to and have it pass at a Spring referendum
- Coordinate fine details of the FAS Formal
- Document the steps taken and at what point in time for the FAS Formal
- Search for potential successors for my position
- Complete Final Exam Retake report to be potentially lobbied for by successor

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