



Hello Council,

I will keep this report brief and I will provide more clarity as needed during my oral report. Here are things that council should be made aware of:

1. Policy and By-Law changes required by the Student Choice Initiative
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3. Chown Hall Incident and SGPS Response
4. QBACC Discussion
5. Principal's Discussion
6. Indigenous Commissioner Hiring

1. Policy and By-Law changes required by the Student Choice Initiative

In the interest of remaining compliant with the Student Choice Initiative I have put forward a couple of proposed revisions to Policy and By-Law. They will be attached to this Report.

Student Fees and Referenda have proposed updates to reflect the demands of SCI. Most notably we no longer have the autonomy to classify fees as mandatory so that is reflected in edited P.1.2.2 (d). Other changes are largely housekeeping.

Health and Dental has also changed to reflect the SCI. The major change is the acknowledgment that full time students must be enrolled in health and dental unless they provide proof of coverage.

2. Policy and By-Law updates

Along with the SCI By-Law changes I have also put forward an update to the SGPS election timeline. The updated timeline is meant to line up with the AMS so that the process is easier for students. I would also like to put council on notice that in the new year I would like to continue to amend and have discussion on the Policy and By-Law as whole. I think the document could be improved.

3. Chown Hall Incident and SGPS Response

Again, I'm sure that everyone heard of the incident. I would like to make a motion that council condemn the incident in the strongest possible terms. I would also like to ensure that we keep students updated on the investigation and keep pressure on the University to respond to the incident.

4. QBACC Discussion

The executive had the chance to discuss the Queen's Backing Action on Climate Change call for divestment. We would like to invite QBACC to present to council on the divestment issue and movement at Queen's as well as have a discussion the SGPS's position on the issue.

5. Principal's Discussion

I would like to make council aware that the SGPS, SGS, and the Principal's office will be hosting a graduate specific conversation with Principal Deane. I encourage all councilors to attend and make sure to spread the word about the event. The event is November 18, 2019 at 4:00 pm. The event will also be family friendly for students with children.

6. Indigenous Commissioner Hiring

We have put out the call for the new position discussed at last meeting. I will hopefully have an oral update on that process ready for council.

