

President's Report to Students' Council

February 2, 2014

President David Collins

Organizational Updates

- Discount Cards for Councilors are available. Come talk to me
- Elections! (see next slide)

Elections

- Elections officer is Rob Savoy (email elections@feds.ca)
- Campaigning
 - January 28, 2014, Midnight, to February 11, 2014, Midnight
- Debates
 - Wednesday, February 5 in the SLC Great Hall
 - Starts at Noon
- Feds Voting
 - February 11, 2014, 10:00 a.m. to February 13, 2014, 10:00 p.m.

Internal Initiatives

- President's Advisory Committee
 - Met January 21st (see PAC Report)
- Policies and Procedures Committee
 - Met January 22nd and 26th (see PPC Report)
- Nominating Committee
 - Did not meet
- Board of Directors
 - Moving forward with Long Range Plan, Governance, and Legal Compliance initiatives
- Committee on Empowerment
 - Met Friday, January 17th
 - Discussed Students' Council Action plan and its implementation
- First Year Advocacy Council
 - Discussed opportunities at Feds and leadership strategies
- Student Advisory Committee on Sustainability
 - Currently sorting through applications. Committee will be up and running shortly.
- Mental Health Committee
 - Currently replying to applications. Committee will be up and running shortly.

External Representation

- Counselling Services
 - Tom Ruttan
 - Discussed undergraduate student mental health
- Student Services Advisory Committee (SSAC)
 - Discussed student-controlled fees
- Senate
 - <https://uwaterloo.ca/secretariat/sites/ca.secretariat/files/uploads/files/20140120oagsen.pdf>
- Athletics
 - Marc Iturrigia and Chris Gilbert
 - Discussed school spirit and physical wellbeing of students
- USRC (Undergraduate Student Relations Committee)
 - Discussed the implementation of the strategic plan, UPASS, and Fall reading days
- Space Information Advisory Group (SIAG)
 - Discussed allocation of space for buildings around campus
 - Advocated for the group to consider providing students space in the RIM Buildings or elsewhere on campus pending the displacement of various units to the RIM Buildings
- IST
 - Colin Bell
 - Discussed open data and data sharing
- Met with most of the services and societies and discussed the Students' Council action plan.

External Initiatives

- Leadership Starts Here Conference
 - Facilitated a workshop on ‘Scaling Your Leadership Experiences to the Community Level’



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