

Danielle Burt President Report

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Federation of Students
University of Waterloo

1.0 Executive-Related Activities

1.1 Committees:

President's Advisory Committee

Synopsis: didn't meet.

Policies and Procedures Committee

Synopsis: Meeting on Nov. 26th

Sustainability Committee

Synopsis: looking into salt alternatives for winter icy conditions. Meeting with the community relations director to partner on some community focused sustainability initiatives. Proposing a sustainable meet competition in the residences. Sent an email to the university as a committee to see how the university tracks: water treatment, energy consumption, and waste management.

Mental Health Committee:

Synopsis: Next step for the committee is to create a proposal to send to the university administration to increase funding to Mental Health Services (Counselling and Health Services).

Entrepreneurship Committee

Synopsis: formed the committee and started advertising to receive pitches. Will meet at the end of the month to review student proposals.

Elections & Referendum Committee:

Synopsis: I've met with the committee to continue logistics of the upcoming referendum. There was a Q&A on Nov. 27th addressing concerns on the wording and impact of the fall break referendum question.

2.0 University-Related Activities

2.1 Committees:

Orientation Advisors Committee:

Responsibilities: to plan and oversee orientation week at the administrative level.

Synopsis: Meeting on Wed. Nov. 26th.

Orientation Steering Committee:

Responsibilities: to be the highest decision making body on orientation.

Synopsis: Assigned to create crisis management procedures for orientation.

Meeting with the Associate Deans:

Last term Stephane and I met with all the faculty deans and we are now taking the Fall term to meet with the Associate Deans to ask them the same questions for a different perspective.

Other Committees: President's Advisory Committee on Design, UW Child Care Committee, Community Relations (United Way Plane Pull), and UW Building and Properties Committee, Random Acts of Kindness Planning Group.

3.0 External Activities

3.1 Long Range Plan: Committee has been formed to write a final draft. Once the committee is finished it will present a final report to board for approval.

4.0 Meetings with Decision-makers

4.1 University-level:

Community Outreach Leaders Network

Meeting included almost every major department on campus. Discussed strategies for increased community connections with the university.

4.5 Other:

- First-Year Engineering Conference
- October 22nd General Meeting
- Campus Wellness Day – Oct. 21st
- LANP Nov. 6th
- RAK Nov. 7th