



THE ALMA MATER SOCIETY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

June 2017 Report of the AMS Student Life Committee

AMS Council Meeting of 28 June 2017

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What have we been working on?

The AMS Student Life Committee has been hard at work this past month to get a kick start on some of the exciting new projects we envision for this year. With the new committee structure and our continually evolving role within the Alma Mater Society, things have started off a little slow as we are currently in our teething stages. However, we are quickly turning up the heat as we've recently formalized the Blue and Gold Society and the Grad Class Council into working groups under the AMS Student Life Committee. Initially a project started last semester under the guidance of former President, Ava Nasiri, the formal integration of these two organizations into the AMS structure was proposed in order to bring oversight and accountability for their efforts. With the AMS Student Life Committee providing oversight and strategic direction, we anticipate that the efforts of the Blue and Gold Society and the Grad Class Council will strive towards improving the student experience and bringing campus together.

We have also been working on Constituency involvement with AMS FirstWeek and Welcome Back BBQ. In order to ensure the success of these events, along with the success of the other First Week and First Year Orientation Events conducted by the Constituencies, we have been engaging in an on-going dialogue to minimize conflict and find compromise. A calendar containing the events run by the constituencies and by AMS Events has been compiled, and potential conflicts have been identified, and solutions are currently in the works.

What are our current goals?

Under the premise of furthering student engagement and fostering a sense of campus community, we hope that our efforts to formalize the Blue and Gold Society and the Grad Class Council will serve to benefit the lives of students at UBC. We look forward increasing student presence at campus programming and athletic events through the Blue and Gold Society working group, and we also look forward to seeing a Grad Class Council that is not only more productive but also more representative of the entirety of the graduating class.

What are we recommending to Council?

No motions at this time, however, if you have any input, suggestions, or feedback regarding Blue and Gold Society and/or Grad Class Council, or student life in general, please feel free to contact me at slcom@ams.ubc.ca (cc lindo.lorenzo@gmail.com).