Executive Updates from the VP Administration - July 15th

These past weeks have been busy for the Admin team. We have been juggling a couple of projects throughout our portfolio and are making good progress in completing some of our goals for the year. As this is our first written update submission, there may be some changes in presentation along the way. However, I will try my best to make my updates as clear and concise as possible. I have highlighted each section of my portfolio with the intent of helping us all better understand the duties of the VP Admin as well as the many interesting things being done by all the wonderful students who work with our organization.

Updates:

- **Clubs**
  - Room bookings in the Nest have resumed with some AMS Clubs and commercial clients having already started having events in our building. So far, our precautionary measures and pre-planning for these bookings have been smooth, giving us a better indicator as to how we can further adapt in the fall semester when life on campus.
  - We received overwhelming feedback from our Clubs Fall Engagement Survey, surpassing our goal of having ½ (120 AMS Clubs) clubs respond with a total of 180 responses. The results from the survey have been sent to the Operations Committee in order to allow the Committee to make the necessary recommendations to the AMS and VP Admin team as to how we can act on the needs of club executives moving forward.
  - The brand identity for AMS CampusBase, our new club management system, is almost complete; we are just awaiting final changes from our Communications department. We have encountered a minor roadblock from the university concerning the logistics of the system and issues around privacy, which we are working with the university in addressing. It is our hope that the university understands the importance of this system moving forward and expedites the process in making our CWL Authentication ready for our proposed deadlines.
  - Despite these delays, our team has begun creating training/instructional materials for the system. These materials will be presented to the necessary groups in the coming weeks (AMS Clubs, UBC Orientations, SLC, Operations Committee, Council, Undergraduate Societies, AMS Subsidiaries and the general student body).

- **Hatch**
  - The call for submissions for our annual exhibitions ended last month. The Hatch Jury has met twice in deliberating on the desired shows for the year, taking into account the necessary limitations and adjustments needed as a result of COVID-19. We saw numerous proposed exhibitions that catered to our multidisciplinary
goals for the year and have further identified ways that the gallery can engage with students outside of in-person activities.

- **Sustainability**
  - The AMS Sustainability report has been updated following Council’s previous comments and will be included in this week’s Council submissions. Jason (AVP Sustainability) and Claire (Sustainability Projects Coordinator) have worked extremely hard throughout this process and our team is looking forward to implementing our goals for the year.
  - AMS Sustainability will be operating independently of the VP Admin office moving forward in order to ensure that it can better support other elements of AMS operations. However, I will still be the executive in charge of this branch of our organization.