

**Office of the President**  
Report to Council, May 31st, 2023

**Meeting with UBC Trans Coalition**

- Abhi and I met with student leaders of UBC TransCo/Pride UBC's Gender Empowerment Store in order to prepare for Studentcare Stakeholder Meetings and ensure we were updated on how we could best represent the story and work done so far on implementing gender affirming care at UBC
- Noted gaps in the coverage still to be filled and improvements to be made through negotiations of insurance coverage and health/dental plan for this year
- Discussed needs and possible supports/solutions for improving the Gender Empowerment Store and ensuring its sustainability as key leaders graduate

**Studentcare Stakeholder Meetings in Montreal**

- Met student leaders from across the country and several showed interest in learning from AMS governance and experience
  - shared examples of AMS success stories in relation to the negotiating for the Academic Integrity Hub, food security funding, and passing the gender-affirming care and health/dental fee referendums
- Session topics included Mental Health on Campuses, Insurance Trends, Negotiation Strategies, and Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion, and included speakers that were UBC grads!

**Council Orientation**

- I'm writing this before it happens, but this year's council orientation plans include more interactive activities and bonding/community building in order to set a collaborative tone for council.
- Also planned to be very practical and councillor-focused as to increase all councillors' confidence in abilities to be strong representatives and members of council for smooth processes in meetings

**Miscellaneous**

- Transitioning in Justin (our new Managing Director) and Minnie (our new Equity and Inclusion Specialist) and discussing directions for the year
- Internal briefs on similar policies to PC1/PC2 at other U15 schools for preparation on continued review this summer
- Reviewing executive goal drafts
- Connecting new executive with university leadership and AMS partners' committees
- Prepared list of policies that are due for review this year and preparing delegation to committees