

THE EXECUTIVE

The Executive is part of Council and yet in some ways apart from it. It consists of the President and the four Vice-Presidents, who are elected independently and granted their own powers under the Bylaws.

Council tends to look to the Executive for direction. The President in particular is responsible for setting the Council agenda.

Each Vice-President has a specific portfolio, as follows:

- 1) **Vice-President Academic & University Affairs (VPAUA or VP Academic):** Liaises with the University on tuition, the University budget, climate action, housing, affordability, etc. Also oversees the Academic Experience Survey.
- 2) **VP Finance:** Prepares the AMS budget. Oversees AMS finances, subsidies, fees. Chairs Health & Dental Plan Committee.
- 3) **VP Administration:** Responsible for clubs, bookings, the Nest, the Hatch Art Gallery, the grad class gift, and sustainability.
- 4) **VP External:** In charge of AMS advocacy to government, relations with other student organizations (e.g., UCRU), and the U-Pass program.

The Executive makes reports to Council, but does not report to Council in an employment sense: Council is not their boss. On the other hand, Council can overrule the Executive and even remove members of the Executive.

All the Executives have support staff to assist them, including Associate Vice-Presidents (AVP's) and other assistants. Sometimes they will present to Council on sustainability, provincial election campaigns, etc.