

Office of the VP External

Report to Council, July 12th

U-Pass

July Summer Subsidy applications have been fully processed as well as exemptions. The expansion in the eligibility criteria was promoted to students – there has been an increase in applications and approvals so yay!

Building Relationships

We have attended multiple meetings with student unions government stakeholders. We have been having discussions on our priorities this year and learning about future plans the government has – and planning out our advocacy approaches with this information. Consistent meetings are also being held and more will be set up in the following months. We have also met with UBC Staff to discuss collaboration opportunities.

SUDS

SUDS has been our top priority for this month. Ticket sales have opened and we sold out of our earliest tiers in two days. Accommodations and venues are booked, as well as all keynote speakers. Workshoppers are almost booked and we have been having consistent meetings with staff and external organizations regarding sponsorships. The website has also been fixed, and we are in consistent communication with our delegates.

Miscellaneous

- We have sent a written statement supporting the 480 bus advocacy project to TransLink and relevant stakeholders. We have met with the municipal government to discuss further steps and are attending a TransLink meeting to show our support. We have also met with James and are collaborating on spreading further awareness to the student body.
- We have been conducting lots of research into other federal lobbying groups, and ways we can improve UCRU this year. See CASA presentation attached to the agenda!