

1. Transit Accessibility:

a. U-Pass

- i. Winter Term 1 U-Pass exemptions have closed on September 25th 2023 and the office has shared the list of exemptions to the UBC U-Pass contact, who has processed the exemptions on October 5th 2023 and all the denials email will be sent out next week.

b. 480 campaign

- i. Social media post was uploaded to the AMS instagram page , making people aware of the 480 bus and while having a meeting on October 5th, got an update that there petition signatures almost doubled because of the campaign.

c. SkyTrain to UBC Discussion

- i. Scheduled meeting with **Jessica (Director of Public Affairs at Translink)** on October 12th 2023 to check in with the status of the UBC SkyTrain extension project

2. Provincial Lobby Week Preparation :

a. Dates confirmed : October 15th - October 19th in Victoria

- b. Regular meeting with Alliance of BC Schools (ABCS) on discussing shared priorities and drafting research materials

c. Meetings with Ministers and Senior Staff

- i. Deputy **Minister Boobi Plecas**, Post Secondary Education (25th September 2023)
- ii. Chief of Staff , **Ministry of Post Secondary Education** - Eric Peters (26th september 2023)
- iii. Town Hall on Post Secondary Education
 1. **Premier David Eby**
 2. **Honourable Minister Selina Robinson** (Minister of Post Secondary Education)
- iv. **Minister Mercier** (Minister of State for Workforce Development) and **Ministerial Advisor Dario Garousian** (October 5th 2023)
- v. Also reached to Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, Minister of Municipal Affairs, Minister of Housing and the Minister of Mental Health and Addictions and some other ministers, awaiting there responses.

d. Shared Priorities for Lobby Week

- i. Financial Affordability (*more operating grants, funding for campus food security resources, expansion of the BC Access Grant*)
- ii. International Student Support (*cap on fee increases, foreign work accreditation*)

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- iii. Student Housing (*more beds committed, resident tenancy act on campus, vacancy control*)
- iv. Sexualized and Gender-Based Violence Prevention (*funding for sexualized violence prevention offices on campus, concretizing 11 minimum standards for Sexualized Violence and Misconduct Policy Act*)
- v. Graduate Student Support (*BC Access Grant eligibility, BC Graduate Student Scholarship to be awarded permanently and expanded to non-STEM students*)

3. Access4All Campaign

- a. Collaborating with UBC Disabilities United Coalition (DUC) on promoting and supporting the Access4All campaign
- b. AMS letter supporting the campaign is done; being sent to other student unions

4. External Collaboration

- a. Met with Graduate Student Society (GSS), BC Federation of Students (BCFS), Board Meetings of ABCS.