



<i>Item:</i>	<i>Report to the Board of Directors</i>
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<i>Purpose of Report:</i>	<i>For Information</i>

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### Wellness Centre

- *The USC has partnered with Western to create more spaces on campus to encourage student wellness.*
- *The Wellness Centre will be located on the lower level of the UCC in previously unused space.*
- *The USC provided investment in the partnership and the space up-front.*
- *We will be leasing the space to Western (the Student Experience Portfolio) with both a tenancy agreement that we have reached, as well as an MOU dictating the partnership that the two organizations will have in the designation of space and programs offered through it.*
- *Renovations are set to be completed in the next month.*

### Executive Council

- *At an Executive retreat, discussions have begun around the place of the USC Executive in the rest of the organization after the previous years that have moved the Board of Directors externally.*
- *The conclusion of discussion was that work will commence on creating a Terms of Reference for the Executive to better define the responsibilities and authorities of the Executive Council and what their role will be moving forward in relation to Council.*

### Budget Discussions

- *Budget discussions have begun between myself, the Secretary-Treasurer, the General Manager, and the Managing Director, Finance and Administration.*
- *Purposes of early discussion have been to outline principles, goals for the process, and defining roles of the President and Secretary-Treasurer with the change in role from the Vice-President Finance.*
- *Some high level principles and goals I can present at this time will be:*

- *Narrative of the budget process coming from the President, rather than the Secretary-Treasurer.*
- *True costing and the step towards a service based budget.*
- *More educational opportunities for Councillors and students around the budget.*

#### *Other Updates*

- *Since the last BoD meeting, I have travelled to Ottawa for a conference regarding our federal election “get out the vote” campaign that allowed collaboration with other schools and non-partisan non-profits. I also travelled to a Student Union Summit in Vancouver, hosted by UBC, which facilitated professional development for students and allowed for further collaboration.*
- *I have received additional training for my role on the Board of Trustees for Campus Trust by our trust administrator. I have also shown intent to be trained further by the trust in the Foundations of Trust Management certification.*
- *Plans are well underway for the USC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on September 26<sup>th</sup>. You are all welcome and invited to attend!*
- *I have begun meeting regularly with Dr. Chakma to discuss how the USC and Western can work together in the coming year.*