



## STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION OF RED DEER COLLEGE

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Hello and welcome to the Spring General meeting for the Students' Association of Red Deer College. I will be presenting the executive report for the President's office including duties from the office of Vice President College Affairs.

It has been a busy year for the team, full of new adventures and learning opportunities. My role in the Students' Association has been focused on ensuring the students of Red Deer College are represented to the best of my ability with both governance and academics. We had the opportunity to be a part of committees and councils on campus that are developing, improving and pushing boundaries. Aligned with our mission statement this team sought out opportunities to ensure we are providing affordable and quality services, provide representation and exciting opportunities for students.

I was so fortunate to have group of dedicated and passionate Bylaw Amendment Review Committee members that made the Bylaw changes you see this morning possible. Alongside these individuals, countless hours were spent conducting a thorough review of our current Bylaws line by line with good governance standards in mind. I would consider this to be one of the biggest successes during my time in office.

When I think of committees that recognize and support students a couple that I was involved with that come to mind are: Research and scholarship, Quality Improvement of programs, Student Success and growth, Retention and Tuition fee Review Committee. It is a pleasure to work alongside the College to improve RDC and make impactful changes that will ensure an affordable college experience.

Not only are we keeping an eye on services offered on campus but also online. Policies, Rights and Responsibilities is an important education piece that we work with students to interpret. This team had the opportunity to highlight vital policies that will be made more visible on the Loop, your student portal. This means that students will be more aware of where to find important policies when dealing with academic and non-academic appeals, harassment, and other issues as a student at RDC.

The education of RDC students does not end at the classroom door. In these roles we work with students to find out how we can improve and maximize their experience. During 'Out and About' sessions we aim to establish better communication with students outside of our offices. We seek feedback to establish things such as what professional development sessions should be available or if our campus is missing any vital components.

Academically I provided student feedback to Academic Council, Curriculum Committee, and Academic Policy Committee, all of which shape the Programs and Courses at this institution. Some of the most exciting changes to be involved with was the revising of the Final Exam Policy, development of Pre-Health Science Certificate and the updating of the Academic Schedule Policy after the addition of the Fall Reading Break. One of the many student asks SARDC saw come to fruition this year. I've also assisted multiple students with their academic appeals, which is really what the bread & butter of the Vice President College Affairs position is.