

Office of the Rector
Report to Assembly
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Hello Presidents,

The end of August energy is such a thrilling experience. Over the last four summers that I have spent in Kingston, one of my favourite parts is seeing the orientation leaders and athletes progressively return for training and begin to fill up student spaces again. Although, experiencing a long line in CoGro again is always a tough blow.

Office | We are currently hiring a work-study position to fill the role of Multimedia Producer. I am accepting applications via email until August 19. See the job posting here: <https://www.queensu.ca/rector/we-are-hiring-multimedia-producer>

The team is wrapping up our big summer projects and planning ahead for the fall. I look forward to sharing more soon once things are live.

I will be out of office from August 12 – 19. While I am away, you can reach out to rector.assist@queensu.ca and someone on the team will be in touch.

Community Engagement | I have enjoyed connecting with the undergrad and grad faculty society presidents, and some of their executive teams through the last few weeks. These introduction meetings are some of my favourite chats to get to know one another and learn about your goals for the year ahead. I also sat down with the Queen's Journal as part of their student spotlight series in the News section. In it, I open up about why I decided to run for this role and about some of the duties of office. You can read it [here](#).

Board of Trustees | I have no updates here.

The Board has regular Open Session meetings four times per year, and community members can request to join in-person or online by sending an email to trustees@queensu.ca. Anyone can also access the [Governance Portal](#) to view the agenda by clicking on the calendar date of the meeting.

Committees | While most committee work dials down during the summer, the ones that that persist are working hard.

- **Tricolour Award Selection Review:** we have one more meeting remaining at the end of August to approve the final changes to the award selection terms of reference.
- **Rector Election Policy Review:** the committee has made a great deal of progress and edits to clarify and update important parts of the policy. Due to some in-depth conversations, we are about 1 meeting behind our initial work schedule. Right now, we are scheduling two more meetings – one to finish the last section and the other to approve everything and include the work. AMS Assembly and SGPS Council can expect to see the proposed changes for final approval at the end of October – beginning of November.
- **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Working Group:** we have been meeting frequently to plan for programming in September, including an art show in Union Gallery, orange t-shirt distributions, and the Sacred Fire. My Office is leading a project that I look forward to sharing in September and will include participation from AMS Assembly.

Rector's Digest | This may be the best Rector's Digest yet, because it's not written by me. My intern, EJ Kelvin, took over to provide some relevant insights as an outgoing first year student to the incoming class. Read [A first year with a frontline view](#).

That's all for now! Please reach out to me if you have any questions, need support, or would like to share an experience that can help me convey student voices to the administration.

At your service,



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