

**Office of the Rector**  
**Report to Assembly**  
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Hello Presidents,

It's officially Kingston summer. If you are in town, I hope you take full advantage of the activities, such as the free weekly movie nights in Market Square.

**Office** | I have acquired help from the Principal's Summer Student Interns to support with internal projects, such as updating the website and planning for the Student Leader Development Conference. My team has also reached out to each Faculty Society to set up an introductory meeting for July and I look forward to getting to know you and your goals for the year.

**Community Engagement** | This month has been full of celebrations, including Kingston Pride, the Alumni Awards Gala, and convocation. Up ahead, we are planning for the [JDUC Opening Celebration](#) during homecoming with the AMS and look forward to welcoming back alumni who contributed to the revitalization project, as well as current students to celebrate this exciting time.

**Board of Trustees** | The Board of Trustees recently met for our bi-annual retreat. The purpose of these meetings is to gather in pursuit of education surrounding current issues in post-secondary education which will allow us to make more informed decisions.

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](mailto: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, there are a few that persist. Here are my current updates.

- **Tricolour Award Selection Review:** I have struck a committee made up of student leaders, a past Rector, and Tricolour Society members to conduct an overview of award criteria nomination and selection processes.
- **Rector Election Policy Review:** I have struck a committee made up of representatives from the AMS, SGPS, Faculty Societies, and the University Secretariat, to clarify aspects

of the current policy and clean it up in time for the next election. Changes will be proposed to AMS Assembly and SGPS Council in the fall for approval.

- **Graduate Funding Taskforce:** We are getting closer to the conclusion of our work and will soon have recommendations for the Provost.

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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