



First Year Rep

Year End Report

April 1st, 2020

To: Augustana Student's Council

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Overview

This past year on the Students' Association has been a year full of growth, hard work, fun, and success. I have enjoyed working alongside the ASA councillors and executives to provide my constituents with services and events to enhance their university experience. Though I will not be continuing onto next year's council, I look forward to seeing where the ASA goes from here and wish them the best of luck for the future.

Events and Council Membership

Since my Fall GM report, I've hosted my own event during the first semester Wellness Week. It was a pop-up spa event. Attendance was not as high as I would have liked it to be, but a good number of students did stop by to grab spa items to-go. Thank you to the councilors who took the time to stop by this event and support me! I have attended and volunteered at all compulsory ASA events. I worked the first two hours of Winter Formal as the bus supervisor and at Casino Night, I worked the food table for the entire evening. I was an active member of the Awareness committee and enjoyed collaborating with the committee on events like Wellness Week and election promotion.



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I filmed and edited interviews with councilors that were posted on ASA social media to promote our spring elections. For my office hours, when I wasn't working on my personal initiative, I was taking down old posters, reading through weekly exec reports and agendas, filming and editing counselor interviews and reading through ASA bylaws and policies.

Second Semester Personal Initiative

One of the platform points I ran on in the fall was getting more students to Vikings games. For my personal initiative, VP Communications Rebecca Nicholson and I came up with the plan to get a school mascot frequenting Vikings Games in hopes of drawing more students to Augustana sporting events. Initially, the hope was to get Ole Uffda, a City of Camrose mascot, to be the designated costume for the job. It turned out the Ole costume would cost \$25 per game to rent from the city and this was not in budget as it was preferred the mascot would attend many games. After speaking with Jadene Ma, it was decided we could use the old Viking Cup mascot, Sven the Troll, to be our mascot for the rest of the 2020 Vikings sports seasons. Sven was brought out to many games and sparked a lot of intrigue (some love, some hate, a lot of confusion). Thank you to all who volunteered to take Sven out. It was fun and rewarding to see an initiative of mine come to fruition and I could not have accomplished it without the wonderful help of volunteers!



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Thank you to the 2019-2020 Augustana Students' Association for providing me an outlet to make what I want to see at Augustana real. I've loved my time as a First Year

Representative and would recommend joining the ASA to anyone curious. Best of luck to all of you for the future! Stay healthy :)

Thanks for reading,

Kyra