

# Vice-President External Affairs 2018-19

## Election Platform

Having SEC early October/working with the SEC commissioner to have SEC be planned over summer

Planning SEC over summer allows for much more time that can be dedicated to the event, and it can be done at a much slower pace. There will be more time to decide on competitions and gather the necessary equipment for each competition, as well as have the competition directors early and have them be involved in the planning as well. Having most of the planning done before academics kick in prevents the possibility of SEC being a lower priority than school.

### Conference Awareness

This position relies on student awareness of WESST, CFES, and conferences in general. Because of this, increasing that awareness is very important. I would like to approach doing so with two main strategies. First, I would like to make a post in the Eng Info talking about the conference, where it is, what it's about, what kind of sessions are to be expected there, and when application open and are due. I would also like to go to the first year 101 classes to give much of the same information as well as to stress the fact that the SESS believes in the importance of sending first years to conferences as they will be in the college for a long time yet and that we always try to send at least one first year to every session-based conference.

### Accountability

The position that uses a majority of the SESS budget should have more accountability than just the trust of peers. I would like to continue with the reports that the previous VPX has put into place, but also create a set deadline for them of 2 months after the delegate conference reports are due. After those 2 months the report will be submitted to the president for review to ensure the VPX is fulfilling their role and not solely going to conferences to party. I would also like to write policy that required Vice-President External Affairs' to pay an accountability fee that covers their entire term so that if the president deems that they are not sufficiently fulfilling their roles, they lose their accountability fee

### WESST/CFES Session Feedback

Currently there is no system that WESST uses to collect feedback on the sessions held at their conferences. I would like to advocate to WESST to start collecting session feedback so that it can be used for future conferences. This would allow conference chairs to view which sessions were considered valuable, and what people who attended the sessions would have changed. This would also allow the people who hosted the sessions to hear valuable feedback so that they can improve their sessions in the future.