

Queen's University Senate
28 February, 2012

This is the first in a series of written reports that I plan to provide in advance of each Senate meeting. I hope to provide Senators with an increased understanding of some of the work I carry out in my increasingly external role, as well as highlighting ongoing outreach to the campus community and examples of exciting initiatives at Queen's. The highlights of my schedule since the January Senate are appended to this brief report.

On this occasion I will focus on government relations and advocacy, advancement activities and international initiatives and representation.

Don Drummond's report on his review of Ontario public services will be released on February 15 and I will speak to its implications at the February Senate meeting.

We are also awaiting federal and provincial budgets in March, and all the signs point to little in the way of new resources for universities.

Provincially, there is a great deal of uncertainty as the government moves to address the growing deficit. There are indications that most ministries will see significant cuts while healthcare and education spending may be somewhat protected. What is clear is that there will be no significant influx of new funding.

At the Council of Ontario Universities (COU) and in individual meetings that my colleagues and I are having with provincial ministers and officials, we are advocating for sustainability of the system. A five-year tuition and funding framework would provide some predictability for both students (allowing them and their families to better plan for

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As we continue to gear up for our upcoming capital campaign, I am continuing to spend significantly more time travelling for Advancement purposes. Since January's Senate meeting, I will have met with alumni and established key donors and new prospective donors in Toronto, San Francisco, Hawaii and here in Kingston.

I have also hosted events to thank donors for their generous gifts that support the research and learning enterprise, including Bell Canada's announcement of a world-first

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SGPS President
 Senate Meeting
 Foundational Leadership Program Launch
 Interview with CBC Radio Re: Student Mental Health

Principal Daniel Woolf: Schedule Highlights
January 24th to February 26th, 2012

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