

New staff highlights summer FAS enjoys active summer

by Alison Thomson

While most of its member institutions' students were off campus, the executive and staff of the Federation of Alberta Students (FAS) have been busy laying the groundwork for fall and winter campaigns centering on accessibility to education.

FAS has been busy preparing a response to the Grantham report, which was commissioned by the previous minister of advanced education to recommend policy on students' contribution to the cost of post-secondary education. This response was submitted to the government in June.



Swee-Sim Tan

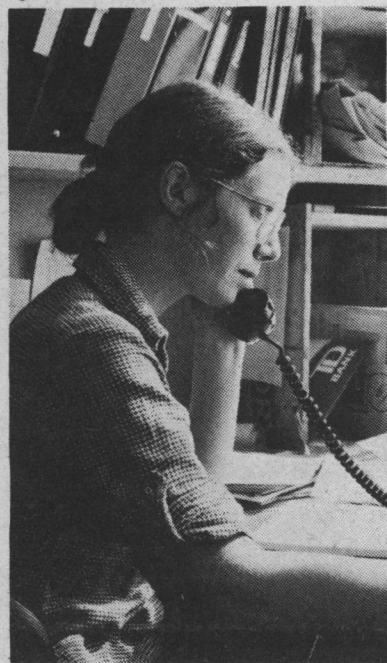
FAS president Hamish Kerfoot said while the Calgary Board of Health recommends food budget allocations of \$41 to \$76 per month for children under eleven, the SFB allows only \$36.

The federation also prepared their fall accessibility campaign during the summer. A metro committee comprised of the University of Calgary, SAIT, and Mount Royal College has been active in Calgary, and FAS exec member Tema Frank has been active trying to begin similar work in Edmonton.

Staff changes were perhaps the most visible modifications to FAS over the summer. Former fieldworker Lake Sagaris has become the new executive officer, replacing retiring Brian Mason. Ross Campbell has been hired to replace her as fieldworker; he will keep member institutions in touch with FAS. Finally, Swee-Sim Tan is the new FAS researcher. She will prepare briefs and find factual backing for FAS positions to present to the government.

Another visible product of FAS work over the summer, is the Alberta Student Voice "welcome back to campus" issue. It contains in-depth information on FAS work over the summer and during the previous year.

As well, it presents a variety of information on the activities and opportunities for involvement in the Federation of Alberta Students. It's especially aimed at new students and at those who would like more information about the \$1.50 of Students' Union fees earmarked for FAS.



Lake Sagaris

FAS also prepared a newsletter discussing problems with the Alberta student aid program. A news conference in August pointed out a shocking discrepancy in the budget estimates of the Student Finance Board (SFB).



Ross Campbell

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