

Parliamentarian No. 3

Mid-Sessional Year

The Premier

Hello Everyone,

I hope you are all having a wonderful May!

BCYP has been very busy the past few months. With 5 regionals running and Westerns coming up, everyone has been working very hard!

All the regionals that have run so far have been amazing! I would like to thank Allie Dickson, the Minister of Regional Youth Parliaments, for all of her hard work. I would also like to thank everyone who stepped up and helped with the organization and implementation of all the regionals. Together you helped give youth around BC an unforgettable experience.

Westerns is coming up on the May Long Weekend! We only get to host Westerns every 8 years, so this is a very exciting year for us. Members from the TUXIS Parliament of Alberta, the Saskatchewan Youth Parliament, and the Youth Parliament of Manitoba will all be coming to Vancouver to see how we run our Sessions here in BC. I would like to thank Sarah O'Connor, the Minister of External Affairs, for all of her hard work organizing this session. I know that with her running it, it will be an amazing experience for everyone!

Members this year have been very eager and have brought great ideas to the table for fundraising and service projects. Some of the projects that have been run, or are in the the planning process, include chocolate sales, 50/50 tickets sales, orchid sales, as well as different service projects around the province. As the weather starts to get better we hope to get some fun outdoor activities happening, maybe some car washes or beach cleanups in the beautiful BC sun.

If anyone has any questions or ideas, feel free to contact me at premier@bcyp.org!

Have a great Spring!

Jessica McElroy

Deputy Premier/Minister of External Affairs

Hi Everyone!

I have great news that Westerns will be running in a week! It is going to be a great event and I would like to thank everyone involved in Westerns for their extremely hard work these past six months! It is going to be a great event! Once again, it will be held at the Meekison Arts Student Space at UBC and all members will be staying at Gage Towers on Campus as well. We have 45 members participating from across the four provinces ranging in age from 15-25. They will spend their weekend debating mock legislation put forward by Premier Jenelle Yonkman and her government, meeting new people and making new friends. See everyone who is attending Westerns at Westerns in a week!

Sarah O'Connor

Minister of Finance

Hey everyone,

Thanks for all of your hard work fundraising so far this year! I have some important announcements. Until further notice, all cheques need to be made out to the Youth Parliament of British Columbia Alumni Society. They are going in the same account, but unfortunately government regulations prevent us from having an account name that is different from the "Society" or charity name. Please remind any donors of that, and update any fundraising letters you've been using. If you have cheques at home made out to the British Columbia Youth Parliament and it is difficult to get them updated, feel free to send them to me anyway (the bank may cut us some slack for a limited number of cheques).

Please also note that I am moving June 1st. If you need to mail me anything after that date, please send it to:

222- 243 Gorge Road East

Victoria, BC

V9A 1L6

My current landlords have agreed to forward any remaining mail, but please try to remember to use this address as of June 1st.

Finally, don't forget that the last donation deadline is May 21st- if you haven't yet raised \$145 and sent it to me, be sure to finish up your fundraising by that date. Remember that fundraising is a membership requirement and a commitment that you made at Session!

See you at Westerns!

Jenelle Yonkman

Minister of Public Relations

It's wonderful to get people's email and articles - keep them coming you guys!

A few of you have not submitted the google survey yet - here is the link again

(<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dG05aWdqNkN0ckdFb0wzVjZUUKw2X3c6MQ>)

Feel free to email (kashkaur99@gmail.com) or text me ([604 551 4277](tel:6045514277)) with any questions

Kashmir Kaur

Minister of Communications

Hey all,

If you're reading this right now I would like you to pat yourself on the back for getting this far. This is surely a sign of your tenacity and perseverance: tenacity and perseverance that has translated into your BCYP membership and participation—I hope. If it hasn't, I ask that you take your perseverance further than just a propensity to read long messages from cabinet members in this gorgeously stunning copy of the Parliamentarian. I hope that you would take part in the service projects, or finish up your personal donation totals and help this great organization a little bit.

Warmest regards,

Daniel Bu

Minister of The Lower Mainland/ Community Fundraising

Hey all BCYP'ers,

The Purdy's Chocolate Fundraiser is about to be wrapped up, anyone who hasn't sent their money to me, please do so ASAP.

The Bowling Fundraiser and the Wheels-to-Heel service event have not materialized as not enough members let me know if they were interested. Please try and stay involved as this is a great organization and its fundraisers are very important. Email me if you have any questions!

Thanks,

Isabel Sadowski

Leader of the Opposition

Honourable members,

I hope everyone is enjoying his or her time at high school or university. Although this month has been very busy for a lot of you due to exams, many of you still allocated you spare time working on BCYP related activities. I am very impressed by many members' enthusiasm and commitment to our organization. According to the most recent personal donation total report, many members have already raised much more than \$125. Here, I would like to thank these members who have worked hard to make their contributions. I strongly encourage everyone to use every resource possible because each dollar will make a small difference. If you haven't done your fundraiser yet, now is a good time to begin. Feel free to make your fundraiser fun and creative.

I hope everyone will enjoy the last two months of school and good luck with all the exams.

Best regards,

Ryan Wei