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Students welcome the release of salary information for publicly funded post-secondary institutions

Edmonton, Alberta – On behalf of over 100,000 undergraduate university students across Alberta, the Council of Alberta University Students (CAUS) welcomes the release of salary information for employees earning over \$125,000 at Alberta’s public universities. The information is part of the expanded sunshine list, which now includes salary information for more than 100 public agencies, boards, and commissions.

“We believe it is important for students and the public to know what their money goes towards at our publicly funded universities,” said Dexter Bruneau, Chair of CAUS. “Ensuring salary information of the top paid employees is publicly disclosed is an initial step towards greater transparency within our post-secondary institutions.”

CAUS commends the direction the government is taking in making sure that the transparency and accountability of public institutions, specifically in regards to post-secondary education, is being held to the eye of public and student stakeholders in these institutions.

"Students see the benefits of making institutions more transparent and accountable - and so does the public. It helps ensure better decisions, which leads to better outcomes for our education," Bruneau explained. "This is a great step, and we hope it's the beginning of a trend in making institutions more open and accountable to their most important stakeholder – students."

The salary information for university Boards of Governors can be accessed here:
<http://www.alberta.ca/public-sector-body-compensation-disclosure.cfm>

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