



# Fall Reading Week Update

Presented to Students' Council  
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# Presentation Outline

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# Facts

- 2 instructional days will be given up and school will start on the Tuesday instead of the Wednesday (no Orientation on the Tuesday)
- 9 Day Green and Gold week
- Engineering classes will not be a part of the FRW (accreditation discussion)
- FRW programming



# Facts – Why?

- Mental health
- Catch up on school
- Attend supplementary programs
- Make some money
- Go on holidays



# History – In Dehod We Trust

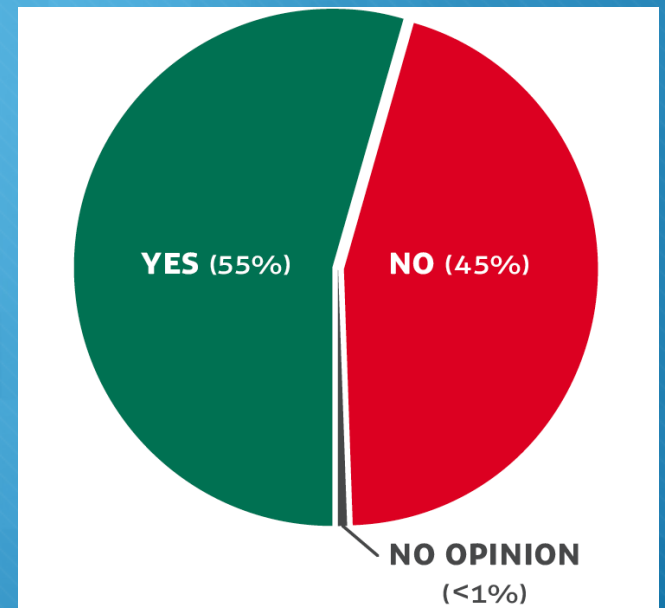
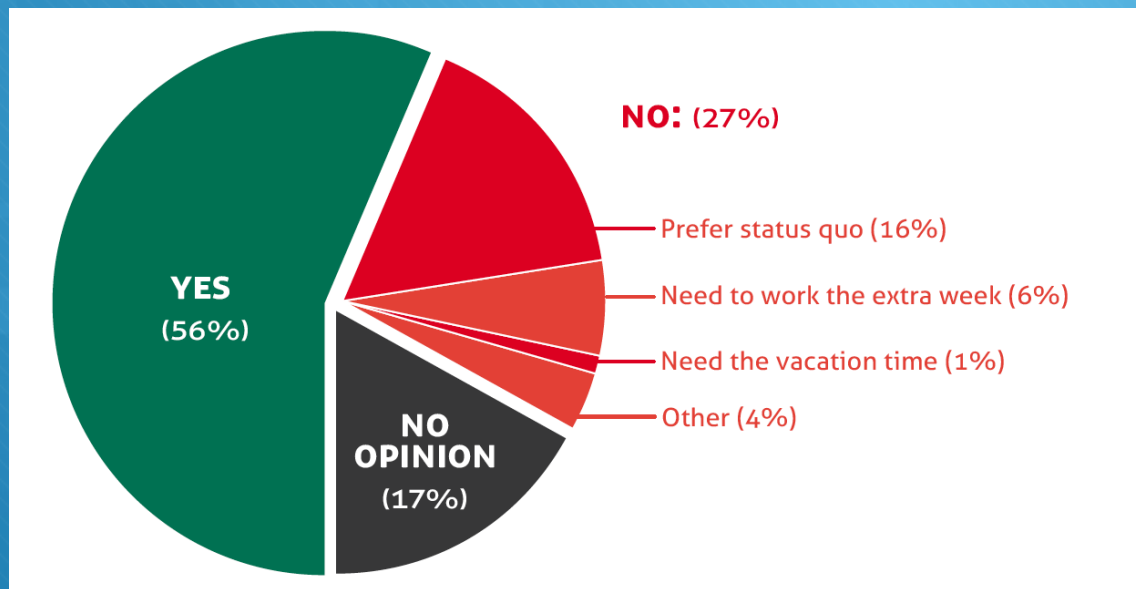
- In 2010 Presidential Candidate Nick Dehod campaigned on the promise of implementing a Fall Reading Week for students at the UofA
- Research was conducted on a variety of topics pertaining to the creation of the FRW including...
- Mental health, logistical scheduling concerns, comparative data from Canadian universities



# History – Dehod cont.

- Nick facilitated discussions with the university community including members such as Associate Deans, Senior Admin, students, and more
- The FRW was brought up in the Undergraduate Student Survey and a plebiscite on the FRW was held in the 2011 SU Executive Elections

# Plebiscite Results





# History – FRW Task Force and that Tighe guy

- Diverse membership
- Bi-weekly meetings held from May-August
- Task force was created to make a recommendation to university governance
- Task force is complete and Rory takes the proposal on the road





# History – All Tighed Up

- FRW proposal takes some time to delve into the fine details and eventually goes to Deans' Council for consultation
- Things get a bit hairy and FRW is delayed from going to GFC
- Rory conducts 1-on-1 meetings about the FRW with every dean
- SU Council approves an FRW political policy



# Update

- **FRW discussions have been rehashed and we will conduct new consultations on the proposal this summer**
- **Discussions began in June and we have received a large amount of support from Senior Admin**
- **Timeline: Sept/Oct university governance routing, October GFC, December BOG**



# How can you help?

- GFC positions filled
  - Run or convince your friends
  - Time commitment is low
- Support the idea and talk to your FA's for backup
- Inform students about the proposal

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Questions?