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STUDENTS RESPOND TO SASKATCHEWAN POLYTECHNIC'S RESEARCH

June 8, 2018 - The research provided to students yesterday to support Saskatchewan Polytechnic's decision to dismantle recreation services at 3 of 4 of the Saskatchewan Polytechnic Campuses included studies from 2002, 2005 and 2010. As well, a Student Supports document published by Saskatchewan Polytechnic indicated that the Information Gathering Methodology identified that student forums were held in March of this year with between 10-17 students in attendance at each Campus. It states, "The quantitative data presented is not fully representative of the Saskatchewan Polytechnic student body. The quantitative data is reflective of the sample of students who participated in the forums."

SPSA President, Justin Skwark, "Since the distribution of this research, I have been hearing from students non-stop with concerns regarding the use of outdated studies and lack of an acceptable student consultation process in order to make a decision of this magnitude."

On Tuesday, the SPSA released a survey to our membership. Data collected is as of 3:30 p.m. June 7, 2018. We continue to encourage students to complete the survey and will update our website with this information. Below is what 576 of our members had to say – this data shows what is important to our members and we will continue to advocate on their behalf to ensure their voice is appropriately heard.

Results Of SPSA Conducted Survey Regarding Recreation Cuts

1. What Campus did/do you attend?



Moose Jaw	30.56%	176
Prince Albert	6.94%	40
Regina	14.93%	86
Saskatoon	47.57%	274

3. Sask Polytech recently cut all recreation programming at the Moose Jaw, Prince Albert and Saskatoon Campuses, how do you think this will impact the student experience?



 Skipped: 0 Answered: 576

 Positively
 2% 13

 Negatively
 92% 530

 Indifferent
 6% 33

2. Select any of the activities you support(ed) or participate(d) in on your campus:



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Athletics	32% 182
Clubs Programming including Health Fair/Stress Better Activities	27% 157
Fitness Centres	78% 451
Fitness Classes	31% 176
Intramurals	31% 177
Open Gymnasium	45% 262
None of the Above	12% 70

4. How do you think these cuts will impact the mental health of students?



Skipped: 0 Answered: 576

Negatively 91% 524	Positively	3% 16
	Negatively	91% 524

Survey Released: June 5, 2018 Results as of: June 7, 2018 - 576 Respondents