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Message from the President

Hello hello Pronghorns!

Welcome to July! It's officially month number 3 of me being in office and I have been up to some crazy fun stuff that I want to share with you. Once again I am in awe that I have been granted such a privilege to represent and serve as your ULSU President for the 2023/2024 academic year and in keep with my campaign promise of transparency and communication here is my report of what I have been up to. It's been a very busy yet exciting time so far and I am happy that you are getting a glimpse into what's going on.

Meetings, Events, and Tasks Breakdown

During the month of June, I had the privilege of attending the following meetings and events listed below:

- Welcome walk with President Jayas
- Academic Schedule Discussion
- Meeting with Tourism Lethbridge
- Brainstorm with the City of Lethbridge
- Health and Safety Advisory Committee
- Fresh Fest Planning
- NSO Planning
- Meeting with Parking services
- Canadian Alliance of Students Association (CASA) Policy and Strategy Conference
- Volunteer at the Lethbridge Food Bank
- Planning for Classroom Emergencies
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Description of Meetings:



Welcome Walk with President Jayas

I had the opportunity to welcome and lead the Presidential welcome walk along with Jaxon Reiter, the Graduate Students Association President. I had conversation about the future of students and ensure that the newly appointed President knows the campus and the different buildings.

Academic Schedule Discussion

In ensuring effective advocacy, a part of the ULSU's job is to advocate on behalf of the undergraduate students to make sure that their academic journey is fulfilling. The executive council had the opportunity to talk with the SEARS team to discuss academic schedule for the future semester.

Meeting with Tourism Lethbridge

I along with Rachele Preston, VP-X, meet with the Tourism Lethbridge team to discuss collaborations in the future to ensure students success.

Brainstorm with the City of Lethbridge

I had the opportunity to meet with different members of the municipality and discuss way in which students are able to gain work integrated learning opportunities within the city while they continue their academic journey. We brainstorm ways in which students can take part in the labour force and compensated work opportunities.

Health and Safety Advisory Committee

Combatting food security on our campus is a big priority to the ULSU as well as our newly installed Chancellor Terry Whitehead. Thus, we had a meeting to discuss plans and steps moving forward to ensure sustainable measures are put in place to combat this issue that many Uleth students face.

Fresh Fest Planning

Fresh Fest planning is underway and in full swing. We are looking at a whole new approach to ensure that students are fully engage and start off the school year right, with getting the necessary information they need from stakeholders as well as have a little fun.



NSO Planning

The fall semester is approaching quickly and with that planning a great and informative welcome week is top priority. We are hoping to do things a little differently to ensure that student engage in a positive way and find their place here at Uleth.

Meeting with Parking services

Parking is always a huge challenge for our student body and try to come to an effective resolution is one priority for me, I had the first initially meeting with parking services to discuss and share some concerns our students have, I am hoping to have more discussions in the near future.

Canadian Alliance of Students Association (CASA) Policy and Strategy Conference

Vice President External, Rachele Preston, and I as part of our duties as ULSU representatives were able to attend the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA) Policy and Strategy week conference. This conference lasted 5 days (July 17th-21st 2023) in Fredericton. This conference was held to allow for the discussion and finalize our advocacy priorities and Federal ask.

Volunteer at the Lethbridge Food Bank

Myself along with the Food for thought committee had the chance to volunteer at the Lethbridge Food Bank to help out community members.

Planning for Classroom Emergencies

In light of the recent incident that occurred at the University of Waterloo Campus, the University of Lethbridge decided to take a proactive approach in make sure that our campus, classrooms, students, faculty and staff are all safe here at the university.

Activities

- Welcome walk

Projects in Progress



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- Executive Action Plan for the 57th Council
- Your ULSU (information document)
- Fresh fest celebration
- Food security solution document
- Housing advocacy and survey
- Strategic Planning framework for year

Challenges encountered

No Challenges encountered this month

Goals for Next Month

- **Meet with all GA members to hear their goals and initiative and provide assistance as well as build positive team relationships.**
- **Resource book (Your ULSU)**
- **Continue to fulfill my duties as President**
- **Meet with the incoming University President**
- **Meet with EC to finalize our action plans**

Thank you for taking the time to read this report. If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to reach out. I am available via email, phone call, or in-person/virtual meeting.

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Kind Regards,

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