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Contribution Hours: 187

Events, Meetings, and Conferences Attended:

- New Student Orientation
- International Student Orientation
- Senate Executive
- ESAC + Presentation
- Pronghorn Cheering Challenge
- University of Lethbridge Alumni Association Quarterly Meeting
- Legislative Review Committee
- Indigenous Strategy Meeting
- Senate
- Meeting with MP Rachael Harder
- GFC Executive and Nomination Committees
- General Assembly Meeting
- CASA GIRC Committee Calls
- BiiG Conference with Campus Stores Canada- Separate Report to Follow

Descriptions of Notable Meetings/Events:

New Student Orientation

Even though the spring semester's NSO is not as grand as its fall counterpart, it is still a wonderful event of which to be a part. I had the opportunity to make a speech and welcome students on behalf of the ULSU. I was thrilled with how well attended it was. A special moment came a few days after the event, when one student came to talk to me about some of the opportunities on campus that I had mentioned. It's always wonderful to see the new students coming to campus!

ESAC + Presentation

I am the ULSU representative on the Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee, which is working on an environmental strategic plan for the University. I attended one of the scheduled meetings, as well as presented on behalf of ESAC to the Faculty of Education so that it knows about the important work this committee does. The presentation was well received, and I was very excited to be able to speak on behalf of the committee.

Pronghorn Cheering Challenge

This event is probably my favorite of the year so far. I was able to ride on a couple of the buses to the Enmax Centre as a chaperone and it was exciting to see that many students engage and come out to support the Pronghorns. It was a thrilling event, and I'm so happy that the Enmax Centre was packed. It was one of the first events in a longtime that made me feel like a normal student again, and it was so much fun to be there with all students, but especially my SU family.

Legislative Review Committee

At this month's LRC, we officially finalized the version of the constitution that we will be sending to referendum for the students to vote on. I'm so thrilled with the new constitution, and I look forward to the referendum results!

Indigenous Strategy Meeting

I attended the January meeting for this committee. It is a fantastic committee that really works to better Indigenize this institution, and make sure that it reflects the traditional Indigenous culture of the land. At this meeting, the president of Universities Australia came to present to us regarding how institutions in Australia have Indigenized themselves, as well as barriers that they faced. It was a really enlightening conversation, and it was one that makes me think about the ways in which we can Indigenize the Students' Union.

Meeting with MP Rachael Harder

Victoria and I had the opportunity to sit down and engage with our local MP, Rachael Harder. We had a great conversation about issues that we face on the U of L campus, particularly sexual violence. As always, it was lovely meeting with her and I'm happy with the meeting that we had.

CASA GIRC Committee Calls

I sit on the Governance and Internal Review Committee for CASA. My counterpart at SAMRU and I have been working on drafting an operation procedure for observers. This has taken up a great deal of my time this month, and we'll be bringing the draft to our committee in the near future.

Thank you for taking the time to read this, and feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have regarding my report.

Very Best,

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