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Hello and thank you for taking the time to read my June monthly report! With two months of experience under my belt now, I am excited to see my own growth in this role as well as that of our executive as a whole.

- Convocation Ceremonies & Chancellor's Dinner
- Executive Action Plan
- Board of Governor's Retreat (Waterton, AB)
- Healthy Campus Alberta Wellness Summit & Adv. Ed. Ministry Funding Announcement
- Lethbridge Pride Parade

## **Convocation Ceremonies & Chancellor's Dinner**

Attending convocation was an absolute delight and will surely be one of the highlights of my summer. I was able to attend all four ceremonies and shake hands with students as they crossed the stage and received their hard-earned parchment. Along with the standard convocation ceremonies, I also had the pleasure of attending the FNMI Student Convocation ceremony in late May as well as the Chancellor's Dinner. Both events were wonderful opportunities to network with University administration as well as of course celebrating the accomplishments of graduating students.

#### **Executive Action Plan**

Throughout June, the Executive team has been meeting to create our Executive Action PLan. This document is meant to guide us through our term and keep us on-track with the goals we have laid out for ourselves. This process has also been extremely beneficial for facilitating dialogue between our team and helping us better understand each other's work plans and communication styles.

## **Board of Governor's Retreat**

My VP Operations & Finance, Royal Adkin, and I attended the University's annual Board of Governor's retreat from June 14-16 in Waterton Lakes Provincial Park. The purpose of this



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retreat is both to orient new members to the workings of the Board as well as foster relationships between Board members. As well, the first meeting of the year is held during this time. Royal and I both found this experience to be highly educational and look forward to serving on the Board of Governors throughout the upcoming year.

# Healthy Campus Alberta Wellness Summit & Adv. Ed. Ministry Funding Announcement

Perhaps one of the most profound events from the month of June was the Healthy Campus Alberta Wellness Summit hosted at the University of Calgary on June 20th. Prior to this date, many student organizations received word that they would be encouraged to attend this event as a special announcement from the Alberta Ministry of Advanced Education would be taking place. The summit itself was a great opportunity to learn about mental wellness supports in the province and to connect with other student leaders not only from other universities but from the college sector as well.

The Advanced Ed. announcement saw the Government of Alberta commit approximately \$25 million to mental wellness supports at post-secondary institutions across the province. As well, this funding is to be committed on a 3 year basis, as opposed to a 1 year term as has been the precedent in previous years. We are excited to see the government allocate more funds in a more long-term and sustainable manner to this incredibly important initiative, however we are eagerly awaiting more information on how this funding will impact our respective institutions.

## **Lethbridge Pride Parade**

We were so happy to be able to take part in Lethbridge's largest Pride Parade to date! This year, we partnered with the ULSU Pride Center and were able to attract a much larger group to walk in the ULSU float. This event is just one way to express our support for LGBTQIA+ students and create a welcoming and inclusive environment on campus. We look forward to continuing this initiative in the future!



## Misc. Meetings/Events attended:

General Faculties Council - June 5
Meeting with Chris Horbachewski re: Food Bank Charitable Tax Receipts - June 6
Executive Headshots & Photoshoots - June 7
CAUS Teleconference - June 9
CAUS In-Person Meeting - June 19
Academic Quality Assurance Committee - June 21
AQAC External Review Consultation - June 22
ULAA Meeting - June 21
Senate Recognition Dinner - June 22
ULSU Executive Council - June 23, 28
Meeting with Alberta Liberal Party Leader, David Khan - June 23
GFC Executive - June 26
Meeting with Drew from C&C Insurance re: Health & Dental Plan - June 28

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Thanks very much for reading, and please feel free to contact me with any inquiries regarding my report.

All the best,

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