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Welcome to my first Presidential report for the 2017/2018 academic year! I am thrilled to be returning for a second executive term with the ULSU am already so excited for the year ahead. Much of May has been devoted to getting to know the role and completing the transition process amongst the rest of the Executive team. Below, you will find a summary of several of my more substantive activities during my first month in office:

- Transition hours with VP Academic & carry-over Grade Appeal
- Board Governance Workshop
- General Assembly Meeting
- CAUS Transition (Canmore, AB)
- SACPA Moderation
- CASA Foundations (Ottawa, ON)
- UPass Referendum

Transition hours with VP Academic & carry-over Grade Appeal

Several hours during my first week were devoted to ensuring the transition process was complete between myself and my successor for the role of VP Academic, Sandeep Parmar. She is a very strong fit for the role and I am eager to see all that she will accomplish during the upcoming year! During this time, I also devoted much of my time towards a high-level academic appeal that began over the last few weeks of my previous term.

Board Governance Workshop

This year, Volunteer Lethbridge hosted a fantastic event for non-profit boards in the community. Professionals were brought in from relevant industry sectors to speak to participants about best practices in hiring, volunteer management, strategic planning, effective governance, and other priorities for boards within the community. This event was very well received by our executive and we were able to bring back many tangible resources to the ULSU.



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General Assembly Meeting

May 5th saw the inaugural meeting of the 2017/2018 General Assembly. As is typical for our May meeting, we did have some difficulty attaining quorum but were able to move forward thanks to some members being able to join electronically.

CAUS Transition (Canmore, AB)

May 13th-16th saw VP External Conner Peta, myself, and our predecessors (Cameron Howey and Cody Ciona) attend CAUS' annual transition in Canmore, AB. The purpose of this conference is to familiarize new CAUS delegates with the advocacy work of their predecessors, and prepare them to carry new and existing initiatives forward. A full conference report on CAUS Transition 2017 will be made available online.

SACPA Moderation

I had the honor of being asked to moderate a session by Dr. Mike Mahon, University of Lethbridge President, hosted by the Southern Alberta Council of Public Affairs. This talk centered around the 50th anniversary of the University of Lethbridge; the progress that has been made by the institution and what the next 50 years might look like. It was a great opportunity to see how non-student community members engaged with the presentation and asked meaningful questions to Dr. Mahon.

CASA Foundations Conference (Ottawa, ON)

May 22nd to 26th, VP External Conner Peta and I attended the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations' Foundations Conference in Ottawa, ON/Gatineau, QC. This is the first of four meetings with CASA, and it was very well received by our ULSU delegates. A full conference report on CASA Foundations 2017 will be made available online.

UPass Referendum

Along with my VP External, Conner Peta, and VP Operations & Finance, Royal Adkin, I have begun to investigate the potential for a third UPass referendum to be put forward to the student body by the ULSU. A few months ago, City Council approved a potential UPass at \$77/semester with an additional opt-out clause to include students who reside within a 1.25km radius of the institution. As an executive, we believe that the implementation of a UPass plan will greatly reduce the strain on University Parking Services and allow greater mobility to students within the City of Lethbridge. We are very interested in going forward with a referendum in February of 2018, for potential UPass implementation in September 2018.



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Misc. Meetings/Events attended:

U of L Alumni Association Meeting - May 1
Ahead of the Herd Stakeholder Meeting - May 2
ULSU Executive Council - May 3, 10, 17, 31
City of Lethbridge Youth Advisory Council - May 4
ULSU General Assembly Meeting - May 5
GFC Convocation Committee - May 8, 11
Arts & Science Faculty Council - May 11
GFC Strategic Planning Committee - May 12
Meeting with AVP Students Leadership Team - May 12
Orientation to University Governance - May 12
Lunch with Lethbridge College Students' Association - May 29
GFC Executive - May 29
Zoo Liaison Committee - May 30
FNMI Convocation Ceremony - May 31

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

All the best,

Hailey Babb
ULSU President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Babb', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.