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Meetings and Conferences Attended:

- Special Strategic Planning Committee: Budget
- UPass Meeting with University
- General Assembly Meeting
- General Faculties Council (GFC)
- Common Book Project Meeting
- Convocation Coordinators Committee
- Arts and Science Council
- Council of Alberta University Students (CAUS) Changeover
- Liberal Education Meeting with Dean Dr. Wismath
- Senate Executive
- UPass Meeting with University
- Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA) Foundations Conference
- GFC Executive
- ULSU Executive Council (three meetings)
- Miscellaneous Tasks

Descriptions of Notable Meetings:

UPass Meetings

I attended two meetings regarding the UPass this month. At these meetings, I worked alongside university officials to help prepare for our first year with the UPass. Topics discussed include the technology of the UPass, communications to students and other stakeholders, and timelines for the printing of new ID cards.

General Assembly Meeting

We had our first ULSU council meeting of the year. It went smoothly and efficiently. We were able to accomplish a good amount of business that will help to hold us over until everyone can reconvene in September. Some highlights include our operating budget for the 2018-2019 year, our budget for FreshFest 2018, and ratifying clubs for the upcoming academic year.

CAUS Changeover Conference

This conference was held by our provincial advocacy group, the Council of Alberta University Students, and was held in Canmore, Alberta from May 11th-May 14th. Member schools from across the province met to transition from last year's delegation to this upcoming



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year's, as well as elect our Chair and Vice-Chair for the year to come. We engaged in many fruitful discussions about provincial student issues and decided upon our priorities for the year. More details are available in my conference report.

Liberal Education Meeting with Dean Dr. Wismath

This past month, our executive had the opportunity to engage with Dr. Wismath and her summer students to discuss potential points of collaboration between our respective parties. We also learned a lot about the direction of liberal education at the University, and upcoming, exciting events for students.

CASA Foundations Conference

This conference is the first of four conferences held throughout the year for our federal advocacy group, the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations. This conference was held in Gatineau, Quebec from May 21-25. Foundations provides delegates from student associations across the country the ability to meet for the first time, to discuss our priorities for the upcoming year, and to learn about various student issues for which we can advocate on the federal level. On a personal note, I was elected to the Governance committee, and I am excited to further my working relationship with CASA. More details are available in my conference report.

ULSU Executive Council

We had three of these meetings throughout the month. Executive Council meetings provide us with an opportunity to get together with staff and each other to discuss events occurring around the office, as well as the chance to pass travel and conference grants for students.

Miscellaneous Tasks

This month, I submitted changes to the University cannabis policy. In addition, I was part of the hiring team for two new hires upstairs in the Zoo, and I am very excited about the team up there. I also engaged in some transitional tasks, such as changing over signing authority at the banks.

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,

Laura Bryan President