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- Municipal Election*
- Get Out the Vote Campaign*
- Student Hiring & VP Student Affairs By-Election*

Municipal Election

This month, we saw the closure of the municipal election as the results were announced on October 16th. Before that time, we were able to secure face-time with three additional candidates to add to our roster from September, bringing us up to a grand total of 18 municipal candidates. During this time, we also saw students make great use of the on-campus polling station. I would recommend that the ULSU continue to advocate in favour of this valuable program, in order to see barriers reduced to student voting access.

While the new City Council has been decided, our organization will continue to advocate to that body for affordable and accessible transit options for students in the City of Lethbridge.

Get Out the Vote Campaign

Thanks to our on-campus, all-candidates election forum, we saw some excellent engagement from students in this year's election. As mentioned above, our polling station was also a great success and we enjoyed watching U of L students engage in the political process. Thanks to our efforts, we feel that many student issues were brought to light and discussed thoroughly throughout the campaign period, and we will continue to communicate these issues to City Council.

Part-Time Student Hiring & VP Student Affairs By-Election

October also turned out to be somewhat administrative-heavy for us due to our executive team accommodating for our missing VP Student Affairs position. However, in this time, VP Operations and Finance, Royal Adkin and I were able to conduct two exciting student hires to help out with some of the functionings of the organization. We are pleased to welcome our new Policy Analyst, Victoria Schindler, and our new Volunteer Coordinator, Anna Shirdel. We are looking forward to working with them throughout the year!

Perhaps one of the most exciting moments of the month was also the result of our

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by-election to fill the position of Vice-President Student Affairs. We are incredibly pleased to welcome Daan Smit to the executive team, and have enjoyed working together as a team to help transition him in to his new role. We can't wait for the rest of the year ahead as a complete team!

Committees/Meetings, etc., attended in October:

ULSU Executive Council - October 6th, 11th, 18th, 25th
General Faculties Council - October 2nd
Executive Breakfast with President's Office - October 3rd
Convocation Coordinators Meeting - October 3rd
Meeting with City Council candidates - October 3rd, 6th
CAUS Meeting - October 4th
Meliorist AGM - October 11th
Arts & Science Faculty Council - October 11th
Board of Governors - October 12th
CAUS Counterpart Conference Planning Committee - October 13th
University of Lethbridge Senate Meeting & Orientation - October 13th
Meeting with Susie Kennedy re: Fall Reading Break Surveys - October 13th
Fall Convocation - October 14th
Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee - October 16th, 20th
Presentation to ORS re: 7 Cups of Tea - October 16th
Zoo Liaison Committee - October 17th
UPass Planning Committee - October 17th
Meeting with Student Affairs office re: Mental Health Funding - October 18th
Distinguished Teaching Award Selection Committee - October 20th
ULSU General Assembly Meeting - October 24th
Student Advisory Meeting with Hon. Shannon Phillips - October 31st

Thank you, and please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns regarding this report.

Sincerely,

Hailey Babb
President