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Contribution Hours: 180.50

Events, Meetings, and Conferences Attended:

- CAUS Counterparts
- GOTV Conference
- General Assembly Meeting
- Met with Executives to Discuss Goals
- CAUS Teleconference
- ORS Team Meeting and Presentation
- Executive Bonding
- Health and Dental Plan Conversation with Student VIP
- First Nations Transitions Program Orientation Presentation
- Meeting with Recruitment Team
- Interviews for Volunteer Coordinator Student Staff Position
- Interviews for Advocacy Relations Coordinator Student Staff Position
- Planning for September

Descriptions of Notable Meetings/Events:

CAUS Counterparts

At the very end of July and beginning of August, our executive team was able to meet up with (most) of the other student union executive teams from MacEwan University, University of Alberta, University of Calgary, and Mount Royal University. The entire event was organized by our very own Bailey Harray and a small team of representatives. The event was fantastic and a great opportunity to bond with people holding other portfolios. Additionally we discussed many prevalent issues facing SU's across Alberta. More information about this conference can be found on the ULSU website in the form of my travel report.

GOTV Conference

Shortly after Counterparts: myself, Bailey Harray, Jordan Miles, Kate Potts, and Imogen Pohl all headed up to Calgary to participate in the Get Out the Vote Conference. This helped us to formalize a lot of our campus-specific goals for the federal campaign as well as acting as a catalyst for much of the cross-campus collaboration that benefits campaigns such as these. After talking with Jonathan Rix, the acting executive director of CASA, we formalized a goal of 1800 pledges for our campus. While this number is a large percentage of our campus population, I have no doubt that the campaign is in great hands. For more information about this conference please refer to the travel report posted on the ULSU website.

ORS Team Meeting and Presentation

During training week of the RA's, we had to privilege of presenting to the team of ORS on some of the services we provide as an organization. Additionally, we were able to take part in their morning madness activity which acted as a nice opportunity to bond with the team. The presentation followed and went well; we were able to identify some areas for key collaborations between our organizations over the coming year. Namely this is our Get Out the Vote campaign which offers multiple opportunities for residence engagement.

First Nations Transitions Program Orientation Presentation

Closer to the end of the month, I was invited to speak at the First Nations Transitions Program orientation. This was a great opportunity to promote some of the services the ULSU offers and are available to all students. The following day, Kate Potts presented on students' rights and responsibilities. We both appreciated the opportunity to present at the orientation.

Meeting with Recruitment Team

The entire executive team was invited to meet with the Recruitment team. this was a great opportunity to fill in their new team members on the campaigns, events, and services we offer to the student body. We highlighted the GOTV campaign, Therapy Assistance Online, Fresh Fest, Mental Health Week, and the First Year Representative position. We both encouraged open dialogue throughout the year the better foster a relationship that benefits both their team and ours.

Interview for Volunteer Coordinator Student Staff Position

Myself and Kate Potts interviewed three candidates for the student staff position of Volunteer Coordinator. Because of the critical role this position plays, I was happy to be involved in the interview process for the position. The selection was ultimately determined by Kate, however I was happy to discuss the applicants with her. I am confident that the selected candidate will do a great job in the coming months!

Interview for Advocacy Relations Coordinator Student Staff Position

Similarly to the Volunteer Coordinator interviews, I was able to sit in on the Advocacy Relations Coordinator interviews with Bailey Harray. This is a position that works closely with both my position and Bailey's, so I was looking forward to sitting in on these interviews. The process continued into September, however as of the end of August I was happy with how they were coming along.

Planning for September

Throughout the month of August, a significant amount of my time was spent on planning for the month of September. Namely writing speeches, preparing presentations, and collecting information and brochures for tabling. As it has been identified by many of the



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previous executives and current staff, September is the busiest month for our organization and one that demands a high degree of commitment and prior planning. I am confident that myself and the rest of the Students' Union have done a great job to ensure the smooth running of the upcoming month

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.

Best Regards,

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President