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February 2021 Report

Contribution Hours: 145.75

- Board of Governors Meeting
- CASA: Member Relations Committee
- Council of Alberta University Students (CAUS)
- Elections:
 - Election Information Session
 - Election Town Halls
 - Meeting with Candidates
- Fall 2021 Task Force & Experiential Learning Working Group
- February General Assembly Meeting
- General Faculties Council (Regular and Executive Meetings)
- GoA: Student Leader Meeting & Meeting with Minister Nicolaides
- HR Meetings
- Senate Meeting
- School of Liberal Education Committee Meeting
- Misc. Meetings and Responsibilities

Descriptions of Notable Meetings:

Note: the meetings designated as "Absent" were due to scheduled classes occurring at the same time.

Board of Governors

I attended the BoG meeting this month but had to step away due to a midterm occurring at the same time. In the open session an interim budget was passed, and information regarding the ULSU's and GSA's audited financial statements was given. The minutes for the open session can be found here: <https://www.uleth.ca/governance/board-governors/board-meeting-minutes>

Election Information Session & Candidate Meetings

I attended a zoom meeting hosted by several of our current General Assembly members for students interested in the elections to chat and ask questions. It was fantastic to see these folks have such great questions and ideas for what their terms may look like.



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Throughout the month I also met with several candidates for various General Assembly positions, whether they be positions I currently or previously held, or positions that I work closely with.

February General Assembly Meeting

This month's meeting included proposals for passing money for this year's Last Class Bash, the annual Dinner and Awards Night, and our GA transition. Information about how transition will proceed this year, as well as the upcoming Stress-less Week, was given and discussed.

General Faculties Committee

As mentioned in my previous report, a "committee of the whole" was formed consisting of all of GFC and carrying the same powers as the Independent Consulting Committee, in order to review the reports made by the Budgetary Taskforces and to make recommendations to the Budget Advisory Committee. Starting in March, the CotW will start to have regular meetings.

All GFC meetings are open to non-members, unless otherwise stated, so if you wish to listen in on the meeting you are welcome to contact Jodie Gallais (jodie.gallais@uleth.ca) for the meeting invitation. The CotW meetings are a mixed of open, closed, and hybrid.

GoA Student Leaders Meeting & Meeting with Minister Nicolaides

We had our second-last meeting with many of the other student leaders from across Alberta and across sectors this month. Minister Nicolaides presented some options regarding tuition recommendations withing Alberta2030, as well as garnered conversation and feedback on what AB2030 may be giving as its final recommendations in the coming months.

I had a brief meeting with the Minister the following week where I advocated for limits and ties to CPI to be added back to tuition, as well as the preservation of autonomy when it comes to the governance of the post-secondary institutions.

HR Meetings

A responsibility that the President shares with the VP Operations and Finance, as well as the General Manager, is overseeing the Human Resources of the ULSU. There were several meetings this month revolving around various sensitive issues.



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Comments:

As this month comes to an end, we near the one-year anniversary of my election into this position. I know that I have said this in several of my past reports, but time has flown by, in one way or another. Speaking of elections, I am incredibly excited to congratulate the newly elected ULSU General Assembly members, particularly my successor, Holly Kletke! To all of the unsuccessful candidates, I wholeheartedly thank you for running – your drive and passion has been a wonder to see. March and April will largely be dedicated to transiting in these incoming members, though there are several things within my portfolio that I hope to complete before my term ends on May 1st.

A reminder that you can take the Understanding and Responding to Sexual Violence: Level One course offered by the university here: <https://moodle.uleth.ca/202003/course/view.php?id=2064>

If you do have any comments or questions on anything contained within this report, please feel free to contact me at su.president@uleth.ca.

Warm regards, and stay safe,

Jonathan Diaz