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Hello everyone,

Within this last month, I've been able to be a part of many university committees before the end for the summer. I have also able to advance my portfolio a bit more for the month. Here are some of the highlights for this month:

General Faculties Council

In this meeting we were able to approve some important curriculum changes to a few faculties and majors. We also reviewed a proposal to create a Genome Sciences Centre on campus, which was approved as well. This is an exciting step forward for science research at the University of Lethbridge.

We reviewed a new final grade appeals procedure which is significantly different from the past one. This was approved, and now it is our role to help students with this new system of grade appeals. Our student discipline policy was also updated during this meeting to give more authority on situations on campus. More specifically we approved updates to both the Sexual Violence Policy and the Harassment and Discrimination Policy.

Finally, we were able to take an in depth look at our progress with the Destination Project, our Progress and Achievement Report of the UofL Strategic Plan and the 2019-20 Budget. Many of the things reviewed during this meeting have exciting challenges and prospects for the university and I was happy to be a part of it.

Sexual Violence Policy Meeting

This meeting, between the ULSU executive, the GSA president and Kathleen Massey, the AVP Students in regards to the new Sexual Violence Policy passed through the Board of Governors recently. There was plenty of discussion on what situations would apply this policy and what wouldn't. We discussed how this would affect events on and off campus as well, as certain events could still be tied to the University, such as club events.

UPass Meeting

This meeting was done between myself, Andrew, Carrie Takeyasu and Marnie Sawa from the Finance Department of the University. We discussed the current Memorandum of



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Understanding between the ULSU, the University and the City of Lethbridge. We found that our agreement has done well and agreed that we should meet with city transit to see if there are improvements that would need to be made.

Project Paintbrush

It has been a tradition for the Executive Council to volunteer with Project Paintbrush. This year, we were asked to help paint the fences for a property on the North Side of Lethbridge. It was a great experience and it was able to get the Students' Union name out in the community.

Board of Governors Retreat

Before the retreat, the new members of the Board were invited to meet with Jodie Gallais, the Director of the University Secretariat in order to get a better idea of the structure of governance at the university, as well as our role on the board. This meeting definitely assisted me in being prepared as a board member.

During the retreat we were able to get an in-depth tour of the Science and Academic building, understanding how each department fit into the overall make of the building. Much of the moving from University Hall was still happening as we were given this tour as well. At the end of the tour, we were able to go and have dinner in one of the halls of the building, after which we were given a presentation on the challenges and benefits of being able to work in such an advanced, new building.

There were more events held during the next 2 days of this retreat. I was personally unable to attend such events due to a preplanned vacation. I am excited to be a part of the Board of Governors and contribute an active amount to such a crucial committee



Meetings and Events

General Faculties Council – June 3
Budget Advisory Committee – June 5
Sexual Violence Policy Meeting – June 5
Executive Council Meeting – June 5
UPass Meeting – June 7
Project Paintbrush – June 11
CIBC-Wood Gundy Meeting – June 12
Pre-Board Meeting – June 12
Board of Governors Retreat – June 12-14
Pride Flag Raising – June 18
Executive Council Meeting – June 19
Lunch with KPMG – June 20
Lunch with Lethbridge College Students' Association – June 27

I would once again like to thank the ULSU and student body for giving me such a great opportunity with this position. I would I also like to thank anyone who has taken the time to read this report. Engagement, discussion and rhetoric are important in student politics and I value any opinions that are given to me on the position or the organization. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at su.finance@uleth.ca or (403)329-2292.

Best Regards,

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