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RE: Monthly Report - June 2020

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Summary

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Pride

I was fortunate to attend the University's LGBTQ+ pride flag raising at the entrance to campus on June 15th. My attendance inspired me to reach out to the LGBTQ+ community members in my life to better understand their experience.

Last Lecture

Last Lecture 2020 took place on June 5th. The symposium was a lot of fun to produce and be a part of. I plan on using LL2020 as the blueprint for my online speaking events going forward. I sent out 9 gift packages to the speakers and host as a "thank you" for their time and expertise. I'm already excited to begin planning LL2021.

Committees

As most GFC committees made up for missed meetings in May, I had considerably fewer committee meetings scheduled this month. I expect this trend to continue with the summer. Overall, time spent reading lengthy agenda packages has now been filled by planning for the Fall semester. The VP Research Search is also underway and I sit on that search committee as well.

Working Groups

The Academic Advising Working Group (and sub-working group) has developed a new advising model which we have submitted to the Provost for review. After hours of adjustment and review of the model, we were able to suggest a model that all members believe achieves the aim of the group: solving both faculty and student concerns with the current state of Academic Advising.



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The Student Support Working Group has divided into four (4) sub-working groups that each support a different aspect of online learning. My participation in both od these working groups has been extremely rewarding.

Grade Appeals

Grade appeal inquiries have skyrocketed in comparison with May. I continue to make these students facing academic difficulties my first priority.

Bingo!

The ULSU online programming has begun and I have been hosting it! Hosting these bingo streams and engaging with the ULeth community has consistently been a highlight of my work week.

Meeting ULSU Partners

I had introductory meetings with our liaisons at Student VIP and Therapy Assistance Online to better understand the services offered by our SU.

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

Sincerely,

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