



COUNCIL REPORT

UNIVERSITY OF LETHBRIDGE STUDENTS' UNION - ULSU.CA

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LOOKING BACK

NOTE: During the last 10 days of this month I was called away on a family emergency and unable to fulfill my duties to this position. I am deeply grateful to the ULSU EC and Staff who provided support and assistance and am also sincerely sorry for any inconvenience my absence created.

Goals I've accomplished:

(Having crystalized my goals for this term, I will organize them accordingly)

Connections:

- COCA Student Life Summit – made numerous contacts with individuals from other Canadian campuses, event organizers, agents, speakers and entertainers for the purposes of enriching the student experience on campus. (For more details, please talk to me or check out my event report)
- I spoke with various ULeth faculty, Admin and other staff during the attendance of the 4 days of Convocation and initiated connections which I intend to follow up on in July and August.
- Connections Café – Dates and Locations have largely been decided. Booking of space has begun. One location is still being investigated.
- Met with some amazing students who want to volunteer with the ULSU in the coming semester
- Met with Mahala of Food for Thought with Kairvee to discuss some proposed initiatives and brainstorm others
- Reported phishing issue discussed on ULSU Student and Clubs server to IT and discussed student cyber security and future plans with Solutions Centre

Communications:

- Kept up-to date with emails, discord, and slack when in the office.
- Reviewed and responded to urgent emails while away at the COCA Student Life Summit.
- I was, however, unable to keep up with much of my SU communications while I was away for 2 weeks with a family emergency.
- I completed my May Council report in early June
- Met with Maleeka (International Students Rep)

Legacy: (What I want to leave for the next VPSA):

- Creating a comprehensive Conference report for the COCA Student Life Summit to better prepare the next VPSA and the ULSU to get the most out of it for the benefit of the Students of the UofL

People I've worked with:

(list people you've worked with or who have been instrumental with providing info or help & what they did).

ULSU Staff –

- Discussed club and ratification form information sharing with Tracy and Maiko and set up a process we can all work with to create efficiency

NATHacks – Met with Student and began to discuss how we can host a satellite of this event on our campus. Included other office contacts who can help make it happen.

Meetings I've prepared for:

(eg: Planning Committee meeting – read 50 page agenda & asked questions prior to the meeting so I would have well thought out ideas)

EC Meetings – Prepared weekly summaries of activities and goal developments arising from contacts as well as additional items for discussion such as club ratifications.

Fresh Fest Committee: Reviewed resumes submitted for committee positions and prepared for interviews. Prepared for Interviews by reviewing various styles of interview questions, team dynamics and assessment rubrics

GFC – Student Awards Committee - Reviewed Agenda and read Agenda Package prior to meeting

Meetings & activities attended, people I've spoken with:

EC Meeting – Participated in only one meeting this month in person due to conference and family emergency (read minutes of those missed)

Convocation – Represented ULSU and supported students by attending all 6 Convocation Ceremonies.

Ahead of the Herd – I volunteered and gave parents of prospective or upcoming new students a tour of the campus including facilities, student supports and interesting ULeth history and anecdotes. I am very glad I did! I learned even more about why our campus is

GFC – Student Awards Committee - Participated in meeting to discuss and select students presented for awards

Light Up the Night & Chancellor's Dinner: Made connections with various individuals who organized and/or attended these events (GSA, BoD, Faculty and Catering etc.)

Pride Flag Raising – Attended the Pride Flag Raising in the Bus Loop

Met with Kathleen Massey's team in SEARS – to discuss goals and objectives and ways that we can work together.

Indigenous Peoples' Week Activities – I was saddened to have missed the activities I planned to attend due to my family emergency.

Tactics on how I promoted SU events:

(eg: created & hung a huge banner in the atrium)

Nothing to report

Challenges I've encountered:

(eg: people won't get back to me when I leave them a message)

The suddenness and seriousness of my family emergency taking me completely away from my duties for 2 weeks had a huge impact on my plans and duties as VPSA this month and I am still working on catching up.

How my work has impacted students in my constituency

(eg: students are enjoying the lounge area we restored and are making new friends).

Nothing to report yet.

Details on outcomes:

(eg: only 50 people attended my workshop, but they had a great time & learned a lot... give more details though.)

Nothing to report

Have read council reports:

(eg: I've read everyone's council report and EC minutes so I'm well informed & a team player).

I have read all meeting minutes and agenda packages of meetings missed while I was away from the office and have read all of my team's reports as posted on the ULSU website.

CURRENTLY

Goals I'm pursuing:

(list your goals no matter how insignificant they may seem, even if it's just to keep up with regular duties).

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Connections:

- Investigate online ways to both receive questions from students and to provide responses in a public way while maintaining student privacy/anonymity. (increase transparency)
- Continue to meet with others on campus and learn about all resources available to students.

Communications:

- Investigate and pursue options for communication and sharing of information through various media such as regular CKXU broadcasts, twitter, website page/forum, and other apps

Legacy (What I want to leave for the next VPSA):

- Create a detailed record of activities and actions pursued for the reference of future VPSAs
- Create a timeline detailing the first 3 months in office for the VPSA to assist in launching into the position with greater confidence

Projects I'm working on:

(name your projects with pertinent details & possible timeline of completion)

Connections Café / Communi-Tea – communicate with facilities management regarding possibility/logistics of setting outside library

Student Engagement Committee – meet and establish lines of communication and scope of responsibility by the end of July.

Fresh Fest – meeting with Fresh Fest team to discuss scope of work and ideas as well as review artists for Jamboree and throughout the FFest.

Club Ratification – review new applications daily and bring to EC weekly!

Club Spaces/Resources – Get a better look at Club rooms and investigate what is happening with the old office next door. Investigate other options.

Chording Event – for students whose paperwork was not processed in time for Convocation to receive the recognition of their Chords of Distinction & Great Distinction etc. (ON HOLD – Research being done to determine if event is still wanted and/or if it is within the purview of the ULSU to host it.)

Things I'm helping other people with:

(please list the things you are helping others with and your duties).

Nothing at this time