

JUNE 2024

This month, my primary focus was setting up meetings with faculty and introducing myself to them to ensure that I established a relationship with them. There were no conferences to attend in person this month. The minister of Advanced Education's team hosted an essential orientation in Edmonton where Minister Rajan Sawhney joined us online and answered some of our questions. I also attended the CAUS Policy and Strategy conference which was conducted online.

Relevant Links:

- <https://www.caus.net/>
- <https://www.alberta.ca/advanced-education>
- <https://calgary.ctvnews.ca/more-students-looking-for-summer-jobs-leads-to-competitive-market-1.6933570>

Institutional	<p>Meeting with Kathleen Massey (June 3rd) The purpose of this meeting with Vice Provost Kathleen Massey was to formally introduce myself and talk about students' needs and how we can work together to address these concerns. Among other things, we talked about our institution needing increased and more regularized mental health grants. Because our institution had a decrease of 40% for mental health funding, we have not had substantial support that is required for domestic and international students.</p> <p>Calgary Campus Meeting with Kristin (June 3rd) I visited the Calgary campus for the first time and met with the manager, Kristin Galicia. She gave me a tour of the campus and we spoke about how we could better serve the Calgary campus students. We talked about hosting events and how we could work on getting Calgary campus students a UPass. Printing services is also something that the students would like access to as well.</p> <p>Meeting with President Digvir Jayas (June 4th) During this introductory meeting, President Digvir Jayas and I spoke about our institution's needs for sustainable funding and support for University</p>
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of Lethbridge students on both campuses.

Meeting with ULFA (June 4th)

The primary objective of this meeting was to explore potential areas of collaboration between our offices and the University of Lethbridge faculty to enhance student services and support.

One on One with Maleeka (June 5th)

The purpose of this one-on-one meeting was to identify strategies for better serving our students through coordinated efforts. We talked about our work dynamic and ways we can effectively work together.

Strategic Planning Committee Meeting (June 6th)

This was our initial meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee and it was aimed at setting our objectives as committee members. We defined our roles and responsibilities for each committee member to ensure effective collaboration.

Meeting with VP Kathy Greenwood (June 13th)

Vice President of External Relations, Kathy Greenwood and I met where we discussed potential collaboration opportunities and strategies for enhancing student services, such as scholarships.

Meeting with VP Nancy Walker (June 14th)

The purpose of this meeting with Vice President Finance and Administration, Nancy Walker was to introduce myself and build a relationship. I also wanted to learn more about the operational and financial aspect of the administrative units that Nancy Walker is responsible for overseeing.

Meeting with Sola and Graduate Scholarship Team (June 19th & 20th)

Director Sola Fasunwon at the office of Research and Innovation Services reached out to set up a meeting where we could discuss ways to get information out to students. She brought to my attention that her team would like to collaborate with the ULSU in getting students more informed on research opportunities that are available for them. The following day VP Academic, Annie and I met with the rest of the Research and Innovation Services team to further discuss the topic.

	<p>ROC Meeting with Annie (June 20th) VP Academic, Annie and I Met with Chelsea Graham to discuss ways that the ULSU can provide services that support the initiatives of the Recovery On Campus Advisory committee. As a member of the recovery on campus advisory committee, I thought it would be best to bring on Annie so we could collaborate and implement initiatives of recovery on our campus.</p> <p>Meeting with VP Michelle Helstein (June 21st) Vice President Academic, Michelle Helstein and I had our introductory meeting. During this meeting, we discussed ways that we could communicate with each other and coordinate to provide better services for students.</p> <p>Harm Reduction Initiative Meeting (June 28th) This meeting was a follow-up after Annie and I had our ROC meeting. During this meeting, Vice President Student Life, Yewoe also joined us, along with Shaylona Raju-Bunnage and we discussed harm reduction initiatives.</p>
<p>Municipal</p>	<p>YAC Meeting (June 20th) This was my first Youth Advisory Committee meeting. There wasn't much that was discussed during this meeting. The only thing that was addressed was when the committee would be meeting next because they typically take breaks during the summer.</p>
<p>Provincial</p>	<p>SLO Prep Session with CAUS (June 3rd) CAUS hosted a prep session prior to the student leader orientation that all board members were going to attend on June 10th in Edmonton. The purpose of this prep session was to ensure that we were well equipped with the correct information before we attended the student leader orientation.</p> <p>SLO with Minister of Advanced Education's Team (June 10th) President Maleeka Thomas and I joined other student unions and associations in Edmonton for the student leader orientation that was hosted by the Minister of Advanced Education's team. Several things were discussed and information was provided on the different units of the Minister Rajan Sawhney's portfolio. This orientation was essential for student unions and associations because we got more information on how we can improve our advocacy efforts and what departments we should reach out to.</p>

	<p>ROC Advisory Committee Meeting (June 11th) The purpose of this meeting was to discuss when the committee would be meeting next. Typically the committee takes time off during the summer. After this meeting I introduced myself to Chelsea Graham and set up a meeting with her to get more information on the ROC Advisory committee.</p> <p>CAUS Board Meeting (June 12th) During this board meeting, CAUS leadership members gave us an update on the items that they were working on. We also discussed our plans for stampede events. The upcoming policy and strategy conference that we would be having online, was also briefly discussed.</p> <p>Media Training (June 14th) UASU's Staff member, Ari along with Rochelle conducted a media training session with the rest of the CAUS board members to ensure that all members had essential training on how they present themselves in the media.</p> <p>CAUS Policy and Strategy Conference (June 26th-28th) During this policy and strategy conference, CAUS board members along with each student union's staff members went through a process where they discussed and voted on what their priorities and objectives for this academic year would be. These priorities were set and ranked based on each institution's advocacy priorities.</p>
<p>Federal</p>	<p>Member Relations Committee Meeting (June 27th) This was the first meeting that the Member Relations Committee of CASA had. As a voting member on this committee, it is mandatory for me to attend these meetings and participate. During this meeting, elections for the vice chair and secretary positions were held.</p>

If you have any questions or require further information, please don't hesitate to reach out to me at su.external@uleth.ca . I'm here to assist with any inquiries or provide additional details you may need.

