

Report: September 2022

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Provincial:

- Regularly occurring informal meetings with CAUS Comms staff re: GOTV
- Weekly recurring meetings with CAUS Vice-Chair
- Weekly recurring staff meeting with CAUS Execs + Staff (Sept 2, 12, 15, 28)
- Meeting with Ministry of Advanced Education (Sept 2)
- Student Leader Orientation in Edmonton (Sept 8-10)
- ASEC Dinner/Meet and Greet (Sept 9)
- OPEC Meeting (Sept 16)
- CAUS Presentation to the University of Alberta Students' Union Council (in person)
 (Sept 20 + Travel on the 21)
- CAUS Board Meeting (Sept 22)
- Future Leaders Council Event with David Eggen and Shannon Philips (Sept 26)
- Interview with University of Montreal Researcher for a study on Academic Research Production (Sept 27)
- Meeting with ASEC Executives + Staff re: GOTV (Sept 27)
- Policy Committee Meeting (Sept 28)
- Start of bi-Weekly Check in with Athabasca University Students' Union (Sept 28)
- Start of bi-Weekly recurring GOTV Meeting with CAUS Comms, Vice-Chair, and OPEC Chair (Sept 29)



Municipal:

- Lethbridge Transit Meeting (Invitation from YAC) (Sept 6)
- Calgary Student Alliance Board meeting (Sept 22)
- CSA EDI Committee Meeting (Sept 26)

Federal:

- Meeting with University of Saskatchewan Students' Union President + University of Manitoba VP Advocacy re: Prairie Advocacy (Sept 1)
- CASA Consultation session re: Advocacy Priorities (Sept 13)

ULSU:

- Lunch with the Lethbridge College Executives (and Kairvee) (Sept 1)
- First Year move into U-Hall (Sept 4)
- Volunteering at the Lethbridge and District Labour Day BBQ (Sept 5)
- New Student Orientation (Sept 6)
- GFC Orientation (Sept 12)
- GFC (Sept 12)
- DBSA Intro Event (Sept 12)
- Arts and Science Council Meeting (Sept 15)
- Fresh Fest Volunteer Dinner (Sept 15)
- Breakfast with the U of L President's Executive (Sept 22)
- Iikaisskini Opening Ceremony (Sept 22)
- Dirty Bingo (Sept 22)
- GFC Library Committee Meeting (Sept 27)
- GA Meeting (Sept 27)

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- EC Meeting (Sept 28)
- Joint Campus Labour Council Meeting (Sept 28)
- UofL SV Policy Student Consultation (Sept 29)

Notes:

- At the beginning of September, I had the opportunity to attend the Student Leaders Orientation in Edmonton. This was an event hosted by the Ministry of Advanced Education, with Student Leaders from across the province invited. As CAUS chair, I had the unique experience of being able to present the CAUS priorities (alongside the Vice-Chair) to the Minister himself. Our presentation opened a significant conversation on mental health funding, and we are optimistic that we can continue to work with the Ministry to improve these services on Alberta campuses. Another important part of the Student Leaders Orientation was the presentations that we received from the Ministry; we had the opportunity to discuss the province's internationalization strategy and their Work Integrated Learning strategy, among other subjects. It was great chance to ask questions and gauge where there may be some potential gaps in the policies. These conferences and events are crucial for aiding advocacy organizations and student leaders alike in forming advocacy goals.
- NSO saw the return to campus for students, which has been one of the highlights of being
 a Students' Union Executive. Having the chance to be a leader at NSO was so much fun
 and was a perfect reminder of why we do what we do.
- This month, in my role as CAUS chair, I did a presentation to the University of Alberta Students' Union on CAUS advocacy and priorities. It was a great chance to interact with



the Council that represents a large portion of Alberta's university students, to answer their questions, and to hear from them that advocacy points that they are focusing on. I look forward to giving a similar presentation to the ULSU GA in October!

• At the end of the month, I had the opportunity to participate in the Future Leaders Council event hosted by the shadow minister of Advanced Education, David Eggen, right here on the U of L Campus. It was a fantastic opportunity for students, faculty, staff, and government (along with representation from the Lethbridge College) to sit together and have discussions on how PSE policy can be reformed. I also had the opportunity to speak in the official press conference on the announcement of the Future Leaders Council, which can be found at the following link: https://youtu.be/14ZPNE8XNkY

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at su.external@uleth.ca

All the best,

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