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### **Meetings and Events**

#### **ULSU**

- Executive Council (October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29)
- General Assembly Refresh (October 2nd)
- Inclusive Practices Working Group (October 4th, 18th)
- GFC Meeting (October 4th, 13th)
- Parkland Report Press Release (October 5th)
- Fall Forum With COPPOA (October 5th)
- Mayoral Candidates Forum (October 7th)
- Meeting with ULFA (October 12th)
- Strategic Planning Committee Meeting (October 21st)
- Arts & Science Council (October 21st)
- Student Leader Orientation with the Ministry (October 25th)
- Bill Briefing (October 26th)
- LRC (October 27th)
- Meet and Greet with SVPSA's (October 28th)
- General Assembly (October 28th)
- Advocacy Advisory Council (October 29th)

#### **Council of Alberta University Students (CAUS)**

- CAUS Board Meeting (October 4th, 19th)
- CAUS OPEC Meeting (1, 15, 29th)

#### **Canadian Alliance of Students Associations (CASA)**

- National Advocacy Committee (October 7th, 28th)



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- Member Relations Committee (October 5th)

### **Descriptions of Notable Meetings and Events:**

#### General Assembly Refresh

One of the first things that we were able to do this month was have a refresh session for all of our general assembly members. This was a great opportunity for GA members who were elected last spring to get reacquainted with their positions and responsibilities as well as an introduction to those GA members who were elected in the September GA by-elections. The session included presentations from different members covering all things from advocacy to how to calculate hours. It was fantastic to get everyone together for some info sharing and also just to have the opportunity to get to know one another better.

#### Parkland Report Press release

This month the Parkland institute released a report detailing their concerns with the intentions for changing the PSE sector that the province outlined in the Alberta 2030 review. The report was extensive and provided many recommendations that I feel would be more beneficial to Alberta's Students. We did a joint Press release meeting on the day of the report release and I gave another media interview about the report later that same day.

#### Mayoral Candidates Forum

I was happy to be able to host a mayoral candidates forum on behalf of the ULSU and the Lethbridge Youth Advisory Council and it was a wonderful experience to be able to moderate the forum. The discussion was focussed around concerns that UofL students have and concerns that youth in general have.

#### Student Leader Orientation with the Minister

Towards the end of this month, myself and other Student leaders from around Alberta had the opportunity to meet and discuss student priorities with the Ministry and with the minister himself. A variety of topics were covered but the one that I really pushed was asking the minister when meaningful progress would be made in the fight against campus sexual violence. We know that the ministry plans to form a working group to tackle the issue soon which is meant to have lots of student representation and I am very much hoping this will begin soon.

#### General Assembly



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This month's General Assembly was one of our shorter ones yet. I provided an update on the final information regarding our Get Out The Vote campaign. We passed some motions and also had received reports from many of our members as to what they have been up to and what they have coming up. We also had a by-election for the position of Health Science rep which had been vacant prior to this.

### CAUS Meetings

CAUS had not met as often in October as we would in other months largely because all of the members were conducting their own Get Out The Vote campaigns and thus it was harder to find time to meet with one another. However now that the elections have concluded CAUS has begun to work on plans for an advocacy campaign which will be coming up soon so keep your eyes peeled!

### Tasks and Miscellaneous

#### Get Out the Vote

Get Out The Vote has officially concluded with the end of the municipal election and now that both elections have come and gone I am very happy and proud with what we were able to get done to engage students with the election and also get candidates to focus on Student issues. I am also excited to now be able to get back to the normal flow of things now that the elections are over

Best,

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