

Present: T. Whitehead (Chair), S. Acharya, M. Booyens, A. Boras, V. Boras, T. Boulet, N. Buis Deering, M. Campmans, A. Cormican, A. Day Chief, R. DeGagne, J. Dempsey, J. Doan, R. Doria, J. Dubiel, A. Figueroa, B. Galts, K. Godfrey, K. Greenwood, T. Grindle, M. Helstein, C. Irakoze, D. Jayas, L. Kolk, S. Koppe, O. Kovalchuk, O. Legg, D. Lucas, G. Mankee, K. Massey, D. McMartin, S. Mintz, E. Mundell, R. Myndio, M. Neumeier, H. Ortega Arango, S. Pahulje, S. Parmar, U. Patel, B. Pike, D. Piper, J. Prus, M. Qazi, K. Rabbit-Young Pine, T. Rempel, T. Saunders, B. Scott, J. Shriner, S. Sjovold, L. Spadavecchia, J. Steed, MD. Tareque, B. Tucker, L. Wyton, D. Yellow Horn

Regrets: F. Baskerville, C. Crane, L. Neufeld, P. Warris

Other: J. Gallais, K. Peterson, R. Schiff

*Senate Photo was held.
The Chancellor opened with the territorial statement.
Welcome was given to all new members and a safety intro was also said.*

*Senator Engagement Award, presented by Knud Peterson
Ryan Myndio was the individual chosen for the 2024-2025 Senator Engagement Award.*

1. **CONSENT AGENDA**

APPROVAL

- 1.1. Approval of the Senate Meeting Agenda – October 17, 2025
- 1.2. Approval of the Senate Meeting Minutes – April 11, 2025

MOTION: sen.2025.10.01

Scott/Dubiel

*That the Senate approve the Consent Agenda for
October 17, 2025.*

Motion: Carried

The post-agenda 7.1 was noted as well as J. Dubiel bringing GSA remarks.

2. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

T. Whitehead presented the Chancellor's Report as enclosed.

Highlighted: City Council forum, naming of Centre for Co-op event, Let their be light night tonight and tomorrow is student convocation and Bernadine and Toby Boulet will receive honorary degrees tomorrow.

3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

D. Jayas presented the President's Report as enclosed and spoke to the key messages.

Highlight the alumni events and next one is Oct 23rd in Med. Hat,

- Mintz panel submitted report last Thursday and presented recommendations, after review of the report it is very well thought out. Implementation would take time and much work to ensure what details are.
- Question on brand and shield will remain on parchment and pronghorns is the same. – going to do this in financially sustainable way so slow transition to this so it will quicker in some areas and be a slow progressing in others.
- Key messages... please share with the community. Great to remind of economic impact of our institution and to use in conversations to educate others. Was indicated that these messages inspire what is in the school.
- K. Greenwood shared more about the Co-op sport and wellness centre agreement and naming – money aside for today and for the future and used to support athletics and future scholarships. Signage will come. Great community win!

4. REPORTS

4.1. Senate Committees

- Executive Committee
T. Whitehead noted the report is enclosed. No questions.
- Engagement Committee
T. Saunders/R. Myndio presented the enclosed Engagement Committee report. Noted that great turnout for the meeting and will highlight later on how to be involved throughout agenda. How to periodically touch base personally with members. Also engaging Senate alumni in other events. No questions.
- Honorary Degree Committee
B. Galts presented the enclosed Honorary Degree Committee report. Deadline is Jan. 15th and any nominations send them out way. Encouragement to get nominations in.
- Volunteer Award Committee
T. Whitehead noted that the committee has not met since the last Senate meeting.

4.2. Other Member Reports

- Board of Governors
T. Boulet presented the enclosed Board of Governors Report. Question on institute process just a funding collaboration the work and research is still going on.
- General Faculties Council
K. Massey presented the enclosed General Faculties Council Report. Highlighted that work of GFC has progressed and lots of great work in the policy realm. Many committee appointments as well.

- **Alumni Association**
C. Crane had the enclosed report. Excited about the group and Let their be light night wonderful tonight – congrats to Ashley Day Chief Senate Member who will be honoured tonight. Met with ministers today and new assistant is UofL grad. Please use alumni to your advantage – they are always get so excited and it is wonderful advertisement.
- **Graduate Students' Association**
J. Dubiel gave a verbal update and highlighted the following:
General election done and events are the Fall super for grad students. Some members are going to Ottawa and represent GSA and UofL to learn and disseminate and then meeting of the minds conference for next year - once dates are confirmed Senate will be informed.
- **Students' Union**
A. Figueroa provided a verbal update and highlighted the following: Meet the candidates night, joint submission and meeting with CAUS – federal group next month in Ottawa, had AGM and bi election thanks to those who made it and for the first time they have a full council! Clubs rush week, my experience transcripts completed a survey to collect student concerns. Excited to have undergraduate research initiative promotion launch.

5. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- 5.1. **Senate Engagement Schedule**
R. Myndio and T. Saunders presented the updated 2025-2027 Senate Engagement schedule and highlighted some engagement opportunities for Senators. Highlight the alumni nights – Pronghorns and Chancellor dinner and PUBLIC professor series. Oct 29 midsummer night opening.
- 5.2. **Senate Plan: Annual Metrics Report**
D. Jayas highlighted that the plan approved in 2024 has priorities and metrics and this is the annual assessment at this meeting. No questions.
- 5.3. **Senate Member Evaluation**
D. Jayas presented the evaluation results and no questions arose.
- 5.4. **Senate Impact Report**
D. Jayas great report on impact and reasons to celebrate.

Presentation on Southern Alberta Medical Program by Dr. R. Schiff, Deputy Provost.

6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- 6.1. **How to be an Engaged Senator**
T. Saunders and R. Myndio – gaining momentum and increase participation. Want to update people in events and informed of events.
- 6.2. **Senate Moments**
T. Saunders and R. Myndio led Senate Moments, and the following were shared:
12 Senate moments were shared.

- R. Myndio –highlighted the opportunity to connect with and read citation for HDR Dr. David Robertson.
- R. Doria – GSA Meeting of the Minds last time was a panel judge and such a great engagement.
- R. DeGagne – Senate mentor for new Senate Member – great experience.
- R. DeGagne – Brought organization Family Ties (20 kids aged 6-10) to campus for ULSU tour and Pronghorns game.
- B. Scott –Congrats to Aileen Cormican on her kids book - all proceeds to brain cancer in Canada.
- M. Booyens – The online and Alumni lifelong learning program webinars are fabulous and great to have access to them.
- T. Saunders – Walked in Pride Parade as UofL Team!
- J. Prus – Tagg Yoshida speaker was able to connect in relation to similar interests in research. cottonwood trees.
- J. Prus – Attended a lecture to be more informed so you can spread the word.
- T. Whitehead – On Advisory for Abbondanza and S. Pahulje new Senate Member has joined as well.
- D. Piper – Great crowds at fine arts events appreciate seeing support in these events.
- D. Piper – ATA rallies and always great contingent from faculty and there are great conversations.

7. ITEMS FOR ACTION

7.1. Senate Appointments

MOTION: sen.2025.10.02

Jayas/Figueroa

That Senate approves the appointment of Shajib Darain as a representative member for an initial three-year term effective immediately.

Motion: Carried

A great Calgary alumni representative will be a tremendous asset to the Senate. No questions or concerns arose.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: sen.2025.10.03

Doria/Tucker

That the Senate be adjourned for October 17, 2025.

Motion: Carried