Graduate Students' Association Executive Meeting Draft Agenda



University of Saskatchewan Tuesday, January 13th, 2015 5:00 P.M – 7:00 P.M GSA Commons

Attendance: President (Izabela Vlahu), VP Operations (Xin Lu), VP Student Affairs (Rajat Chakravarty), VP Academic (Ranjan Datta), Aboriginal Liaison (Dana Carriere) Regret: VP External (Rahwa Osman)

Call to order at 5:11pm

1.0 Approval of the Agenda

- 2.0 Health and Dental annual claims report by Callan Caley from StudentCare.
- 3.0 Approval of the minutes for the Executive Meeting on December 9th.

3.1 The executives agreed to vote via email.

4.0 Gala report and discussion

- 4.1 The sponsorship request letters were brought forward for discussion by the President. It was noted that it would be more desirable to have this discussion in the presence of the VP External, however, due to the urgency in sending the letters, the discussion could not be postponed. The Executive compared the sponsorship letters from this year to those of the previous year. It was noted that there is big difference in the sponsorship levels.
- 4.2 The executives agreed that the previous year's sponsorship levels were more appropriate, however some increase would be appropriate as well. The suggested changes are as follows:

- Official sponsor level: \$2000 and above
 - Mention of your sponsorship by the MC
 - Full publicity of your sponsorship and logo in the program
 - Table that seats 10
- Gold level: \$1000
 - Full publicity of your sponsorship and logo in the program
 - Table that seats 10
- Silver level: \$800
 - Mention of your sponsorship in the program
 - Table that seats 10
- Bronze level: \$700
 - Table that seats 10
- **4.3** It was agreed that the proposed changes will be sent to the VP External with the understanding that the executive approved either the levels as above, or the levels of the previous year. Depending on the advice given by the VP External, the letters are to be sent out within 48 hours.

5.0 Aboriginal Achievement Week (Awards Ceremony and gala on Feb 5th)

- **5.1** All executives approved to support the event by purchasing tickets for all executives using the Executive discretionary fund.
- 5.2 The Aboriginal Liaison will be in charge of purchasing the tickets.

6.0 GSA Budget 2015/16

6.1 The President pointed out that the Executive needs to prepare a budget proposal for the 2015/16 fiscal year. The President asked that the Vice Presidents think of recommendations and suggestions and share them as soon as possible.

7.0 VP Finance

7.1 No names were brought forward.

8.0 GSA Party in January

8.1 A GSA social night will be organized by coordinators with a budget of around \$500. The executives welcomed the idea of inviting members

from senior administration. Date: January 28th, starting at 7pm. Food will be similar to the Christmas party.

9.0 Winter Orientation

9.1 VP Student affairs proposed a GSA winter orientation as a social event. The expected cost should be around \$300. The event is planned for February 6th, from 7pm-10pm. Food table in the centre. Alcohol can be sold at cost. Icebreakers and board games are considered.

10.0 Adjournment: 6:33pm