

GRADUATE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION
Council and Board of Directors
Notice of Meeting
Tuesday, 1 August, 2017: 11:30 – 1:30 PM (Light lunch provided)
GSA Commons

Present: Refer to sign in sheet. (Quorum not reached)

Regrets: Iloradanon Efimoff, Haley Scott

Absent: Refer to sign in sheet.

Organization of Meeting: Robert Henderson, chair of Council, took the chair, and Brenda Byers, acted as minute-taker. Robert Henderson advised that due notice of the meeting had been given, **quorum was not present**, and the meeting was properly constituted.

Agenda

OPEN SESSION

1. Call to Order 11:37am
2. Remarks from the Chair
 - The board has met and there will be a package of information in the fall for members and councillors
 - It is cooler in the Commons due to work to repairs of the venting and turning off the heat
 - Please ask other colleagues from your college, who are on the GSA council, to attend to ensure we have quorum in September
3. Approval of the Agenda
 - can not be approved but if you have any discussion to add please let the chair know

Consent Agenda

* Decisions items not possible due to lack of quorum, carried over to next meeting. *

Motion: To approve and/or receive for information by consent items 4 – 9 below.

4. *Minutes from the 21 March and 25 April Council Meetings*
5. *Minutes from the 24 – 28 May, 2017 Electronic Resolution*
6. *Minutes from the 28 June, 2017 Council Meeting*
7. *Reports from the Executive*
8. *Reports from the Executive Committee; Executive Retreat*
9. *Ratification of Social Club: AAPS (June Council Agenda, pp34-35)*
10. See reports from the 28 June, 2017 Council Agenda Package

Regular Agenda

11. Business Arising from the Minutes

- None

12. Report of the President

a) President's Update

- Ziad encourages participation on the Council from those in attendance or other colleagues in your college.
- thanked Robert Henderson for his professionalism and guidance in protocol
- thanked Carolyn for her service on the GSA executive in the fall
- Naheda Sahtout could not be here but he welcomes her to her position as VP External
- Orientation will be extended and be more comprehensive and is scheduled for the tentative date of Sept 6th, 2017
- CGPS has distributed the student/supervisor agreement and is encouraging all grad students to put it to use and the GSA welcomes any suggestion or improvements
- the draft agreement between the GSA and Graduate TA Student Union will be brought to the council once it is approved for their feedback and approval
- Athletic Fee discussion with the Dean of Kinesiology has been conducted and the MOA with the USSU and the University Council means the GSA will be now have a seat on this group. Ziad is happy with the progress and he welcomes feedback and input from the GSA members and councillors
- As a background for those no familiar with the Athletic Fee issue, the GSA was not happy with last year's consultation (or lack of it) and the GSA asked for a review of the tuition fee consultation process. A copy is attached on the perspectives and members are asked to add content – please contact the GSA executives with any additions or comments you may have
- GSA commons was far to hot so AC has been added to the offices and discussion is on going to add AC in the main room

b) Q & A Period with the Executive

- nothing was brought up

13. Reports from Committees

- #### a) Elections Committee – in the bi-election Naheda Sahtout has been ratified and is VP external as of today
- she sends her regrets and is attending an GSA related conference in Ontario

14. Other Business / Announcements

- Robert thanked all those that attended and for serving
- Please start the registration for new GSA Council members for your college as soon as it is possible to make sure attendance and engagement
- Council meetings will most likely be again be Tuesday evenings

21. Adjournment – 12:08pm