

May 17, 2016 - 5:30pm McLaughlin Room, John Deutsch University Centre

The Society of Graduate and Professional Students recognizes the traditional and ancestral territories of the Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee Nations on whose lands we gather on today.



Presentations

A. None



Adoption of the Agenda and Minutes

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MOTION 05/17/16:1

Moved: Saba Farbodkia (president@sgps.ca) Seconded: Stuart Clark (vp.finance@sgps.ca)

BIRT SGPS Council adopt the Agenda for the March 16, 2016 Council Meeting.

B. Adoption of the Council Minutes [SEE ATTACHED MINUTES]

MOTION 05/17/16:2

Moved: Saba Forbodkia (president@sgps.ca) Seconded: Stuart Clark (vp.finance@sgps.ca)

BIRT SGPS Council adopt the Minutes for the April 12, 2016 Council Meeting.



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Executive & Speaker Reports

A. Executive Reports

- a. President Saba Farbodkia (report attached)
- b. VP Graduate Sebastian Gorlewski (report attached)
- c. VP Professional Kishan Lakhani (report attached)
- d. VP Finance & Services Stuart Clark (report attached)
- e. VP Campaigns & Community Affairs Anastasiya Boika (report attached)

B. Speaker Report

a. Speaker – Travis Skippon (report attached)

C. Approval

Moved: Saba Forbodkia (president@sgps.ca) Seconded: Stuart Clark (vp.finance@sgps.ca)

BIRT SGPS Council approve the Executive and Speaker Reports.



Senator, Trustee, Commissioner, Committee & Other Reports

- A. Senator Report Graduate Student Senator Eric Rapos (no report)
- **B.** Trustee Report Graduate Student Trustee James MacLeod (no report)
- C. Commissioner Reports
 - a. Athletics Commissioner Dominic Kucharski (no report)
 - b. Equity & Diversity Commissioner Erica Baker (report attached)
 - c. International Students Affairs Commissioner Sara SidAhmed (report attached)
 - d. Social Commissioner Kyle Curlew (report attached)

D. Committee Reports

a. Commission Review Committee (report attached)

E. Other Reports

- a. University Rector Cam Yung (no report)
- b. Chief Returning Officer Vacant (no report)
- c. Departmental Reports (no reports)

F. Approval

MOTION 05/17/16:4

MOTION 05/17/16:3

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BIRT SGPS Council approve the Senator, Trustee, Commissioner, Committee & Other Reports.



Question Period & Departmental Issues

A. Question for the Speaker:

I ask that the speaker clarify the basis and process by which an agenda item is to be ruled out of order: What is the acceptable basis for such a ruling? Is the only acceptable basis of the out of order ruling the fact that the item violates Robert's rules / bylaw and policy, or can its violating some other constraint (e.g. insurance policy) also be an acceptable basis?



Business Arising from the Minutes

A. SGPS Chief Returning Officer

MOTION 05/17/16:5

Moved: Saba Farbodkia (president@sgps.ca) Seconded: Stuart Clark (vp.finance@sgps.ca)

BIRT SGPS Council elect [name] as the Chief Returning Officer for the 2016-17 year.



Main Motions

A. Scheduling the August 2016 Meeting of Council

MOTION 05/17/16:6

Moved: Stuart Clark Seconded: Saba Farbodkia

BIRT the August 2016 meeting of SGPS council take place on August 16th, 2016 at 5:30pm

B. Motion to add P.2.2.3.b.6

MOTION 05/17/16:7

Moved: Kyle Curlew (social@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Debra Mackinnon

Whereas the social commission has an abundance of resources including budgets, event descriptions, event details, reports, and receipts.



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Whereas it is important that incoming Social Commissioners have access to prior institutional history as a part of training.

BIRT council approves the changes to policy P.2.2.3.b.6 as seen in Appendix: Social.

C. Director Hiring MOTION 05/17/16:8

Moved: Jared Houston, Philosophy Seconded: Emma Thompson, Kinesiology

Whereas the new executive term commenced on May 1st 2016, and whereas the former executive postponed the hiring of an Executive Director until the new executive took office.

Whereas no recruitment, selection or hiring has occurred for the vacant position of Director (see P.3.1.2 'Staff Hiring' and SGPS Hiring Policy and Procedures Manual).

Whereas the SGPS has no permanent Executive Director and Andria Burke has been doing the workload of two positions, maintaining her role as Assistant Director of Networking in addition to the Interim Director role.

Whereas hiring a Director as soon as possible would allow time for them to get up to speed with the workings of the SGPS and its membership prior to September and would allow lots of overlap with the Interim Director so as to protect institutional memory.

BIRT the Executive begin the Hiring Process for a Director.

BIFRT the Executive choose a Director in time for August Council to approve the new candidate.



A. New Event Sanctioning System: Update From the Executive Director



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B. Student Fee Suspension/Cancelation Policy & Update on Kingston Coalition Against Poverty.



Notices of Motion & Announcements



Adjournment

A. Adjournment

Motion 05/17/16:8

Moved: Saba Forbodkia (president@sgps.ca) Seconded: Stuart Clark (vp.finance@sgps.ca)

BIRT this meeting of SGPS Council be adjourned.