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February 23, 2016 - 5:30pm
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Presentations

- A. None



Adoption of the Agenda and Minutes

- A. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION 02/23/16:1

Moved: Chris Cochran (president@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Mark Asfar (vpp@sgps.ca)

BIRT SGPS Council adopt the Agenda for the February 23, 2016 Council Meeting.

MOTION 02/23/16:1-A1

Moved: Chris

Seconded: Mark A

Motion to add a motion to change the date of March Council.

Motion carries.

MOTION 02/23/16:1-A2

Moved: Chris

Seconded: Mark A

Motion to add a discussion in closed session.

Motion carries.

MOTION 02/23/16:1-A3

Moved: Jared

Seconded: Emma

Motion to move Section 8 before Section 7.

Motion carries.

Motion carries as amended.



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B. Adoption of the Council Minutes MOTION 02/23/16:2

[SEE ATTACHED MINUTES]

Moved: Chris Cochrane (president@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Mark Asfar (vpp@sgps.ca)

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

Motion carries.



Executive & Speaker Reports

A. Executive Reports

- a. President – Chris Cochrane (report attached)
 - i. Interviews for finance manager run yesterday.
 - ii. SMEG meeting – will discuss in closed session
- b. VP Graduate – Mark Kellenberger (report attached)
 - i. Three Minute Thesis (3MT) competition is underway – I encourage you to check it out and sign up if interested!
 - ii. New Email Server – new addresses for some positions.
 - 1. Acronyms have been explained (i.e. I am now vp.graduate@sgps.ca, not vpg)
 - 2. List will be sent out
 - 3. Old emails will still be received
- c. VP Professional – Mark Asfar (report attached)
 - i. Congratulate campaign and referendum period – voter turnout was astounding.
 - ii. Announcing formal resignation of Social Commissioner – 2 weeks' notice and transition – new posting for 2 weeks – if interested apply – on the website
 - iii. SGPS – AMS clubs Office – ratification, interaction, etc. Explained current system. Two systems different. AMS has hard cap on SGPS members currently. SGPS has less resources available – fractional size. In talks with the AMS to change these things. Ongoing discussion to merge the offices to a joint clubs office. Same pool of resources, managed by both – dramatic increase in resources. Received preliminary report – will touch on this in a second. Turns out there are legal problems. Exposing to



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problems – binding piece of information – Exec must act in best corporate interest of Society. Exec Duty to end clubs with the SGPS – will be contacting clubs to de-ratify within 24 hours. Why not the AMS – they have a better system – ours does not work the same way – we only require signatures. We have no oversight over what clubs are doing – which leads to the problem. This presents us with 2 options: go forward with AMS merger, OR attempt to re-ratify all current clubs in new system (10 or 12 clubs) to cover for all problems – building clubs portfolio, position, legal fees, etc. I prefer the first option – it is a system that works and mitigates risk. Our preliminary discussions are looking good. Resources are available to all. SGPS positions would be involved in the process. However there is a catch – a very large sum of money is involved – cost of bursaries, staffing, legal fees etc. This amount discussed is AMS: \$76,000 – SGPS: \$19,890. This sounds like a lot. I personally think this is a reasonable number considering the costs that would come to us if we went with our own system – not even changing or improving the current system. We should consider this, as it would take effect very soon and allow our clubs to access resources. We also would have a back out clause. I would also like to take a straw poll.

- d. VP Finance & Services – Christina Huber (report attached)
 - i. Regrets
- e. VP Campaigns & Community Affairs – Lorne Beswick (report attached)
 - i. NCHA 2016 – student health survey will be happen. Taking 7000 students. If you see this in your inbox – please take it – it is important! Let the university know what we want to see from them.

B. Speaker Report

- a. Speaker – Eric Rapos (report attached)
 - i. Also provide notice of the resignation of Social Commissioner, as obligated by B&P.

C. Approval

MOTION 02/23/16:3

Moved: Chris Cochrane (president@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Mark Asfar (vpp@sgps.ca)

BIRT SGPS Council approve the Executive and Speaker Reports.

Tatevik: Explain more about the resignation?



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Mark A: Daniela outlined stress, focus on academics, and difficulties with getting started in the position.

Travis: to Mark K – will emails fly off into oblivion? Why change? Did you consult?

Mark K: they will not. The only way they will get lost is if there are emails sent from old accounts to and they will not be received. As for the changes – they were changed to something that is easier to understand for the first time. For example “cro” changed to “elections”.

Cate: Clubs. There are 12. Details on level of engagement?

Mark A: We don't know. Our system sucks. No information. 12 is already a low number. Which is alarming. Sign that gone elsewhere.

Erica: Where will the budget come from?

Mark A: moving money around. How the budget is broken down. Bursaries can come from bursaries. There are ways to do it, its not easy, but it could be done. Risk mitigation is part of the discussion.

James Barsby: How does this affect the SHRC?

Chris: Technically SHRC is not a club. They are related to us in an amorphous way. Much like Student Advisors are not a club, but still involved. We are working with the SHRC to discuss how they can be involved with us and still insured. Some form of partnership that is not a problem. Much like the Journal and the AMS.

Mark A asks for a Straw Poll on whether or not to work with AMS or to attempt to work on SGPS Clubs Office. The straw poll leaned heavily in favour of collaboration with the AMS.

Motion carries.



Senator, Trustee, Commissioner, Committee & Other Reports

- A. Senator Report – Graduate Student Senator – Eric Rapos (report attached)**
 - a. A new Professional Master's of Earth and Energy Resources Leadership was creted.



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- b. **Senate will be discussing and voting on Sessional Dates framework that would allow for a fall term break, much like reading week, that would coincide with Thanksgiving. The proposal deals with the moving nature of Labour Day and how this affects the pre-exam study period. There is also a reduction in the number of days for orientation, from 6 to 5. I highly encourage you to look at the proposal and to contact me if you have any questions, comments or feedback. Senate will be voting on this at its April Meeting.**
- B. Trustee Report – Graduate Student Trustee – James MacLeod (report attached)**
- C. Commissioner Reports**
 - a. **Athletics Commissioner – Dominic Kucharski (no report)**
 - i. **No report.**
 - b. **Equity & Diversity Commissioner – Erica Baker (report attached)**
 - i. **CFS Grad Caucus – two updates**
 - 1. **Redeveloping campaign to stop corporatization of PSE – If you have thoughts please talk to me.**
 - 2. **CFS is going to write letter condemning closure of Laurentian Barrie campus. Will be drafted.**
 - c. **International Students Affairs Commissioner – Sara SidAhmed (report attached)**
 - i. **Small change. Rescheduled meeting.**
 - d. **Social Commissioner – Daniela Garroux G. de Oliveira (report attached)**
 - i. **Not present.**
- D. Committee Reports**
 - a. **Judicial Committee Report – Eric Rapos (report attached)**
 - i. **I would like to highlight that the Committee heard two appeals during the elections period.**
- E. Other Reports**
 - a. **University Rector – Mike Young (report attached)**
 - i. **AMS has 276 clubs!**
 - ii. **Fall break – two main concerns, don't want orientation week to be shortened or broken up – second, 4 pre-exam study days are not to be parted with.**
 - b. **Chief Returning Officer – Travis Skippon (report attached)**
 - i. **There were disqualifications made – but couldn't comment at the time. Will discuss later.**
 - c. **Departmental Reports (none received)**
- F. Approval**

MOTION 02/23/16:4

Moved: Chris Cochrane (president@sgps.ca)



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Seconded: Mark Asfar (vpp@sgps.ca)

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

Mark K: for Mike – fall term break was recommended by PCMH. Are there options? Because it seems like people don't want this.

Mike: Not actually any research that a week of would actually help – came from Mike Condra. This is a big change. Students want to see more evidence. There is evidence that study period does help student health and wellness. The students have somewhat of a consensus to protect 4 days of study than implement a week break. I feel that there may be some sort of hybrid, but this may be difficult. Yes this came from PCMH but it may be tough.

Leo: Are you open to changes?

Eric: We have the ability to provide feedback, which is why this was presented as an early notice of motion. You can go directly to the Chair of the SCAP to provide feedback, or through any Senator, myself included, who can address concerns at Senate, or move to amend the procedures.

Chris: Mike, any details on the Sexual Assault Coordinator hiring?

Mike: Plan is to start for the fall.

Jared: Can someone explain the differences between an appeal and disqualifications with regard to the Elections.

Eric: When the CRO makes any decision during the election, the candidate of fee team, may make an appeal to the Judicial Committee. If a complaint is heard by a Judicial Board, its ruling is final and cannot be reversed. The Judicial proceedings supersede all other policy.

Leo: from my undergrad – we had break both terms. We had to start exams right after class and it didn't seem like an issue. Benefit in structure of both terms being the same – midterms around break.



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Mike: that's useful feedback. Not to communicate my own thoughts, but Pre exam study days are the most sacred of all the things. Engineering and Applied Science (EASc) has come out with a statement saying they are against any proposal to remove these days. Specific to the Queen's context these are different than other universities. Specific to EASc, students with 6 or 7 exams NEED those 4 days of study.

Leo: How does it work in the Winter term?

Eric: The winter term doesn't have to deal with Labour day, which is part of the problem, the moving nature of Labour Day, and the requirement to start the Monday following means that classes can start as late as September 14, like this year; however the latest classes would start in the winter Term would be January 8, which is almost a full week earlier.



Question Period & Departmental Issues

A. None



B. Business Arising from the Minutes

A. None



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A. SGPS Investment Application Plan – Chris Cochrane

Chris: We have amassed a significant amount of money – 250k, and 300k loaned out to the AMS. Some portion put into mutual fund – basic investment. Really no other plan at the SGPS level. Understanding was put it there, let it grow, and maybe do something with it. LSS had a budget surplus of 40k and wanted to know what to do with that – I thought “Wow, that's much smaller than ours so we should probably think about that!” Any ideas? Start the conversation.

James: Does this have to be a gift? Could this be a clubs thing?

Chris: It can be whatever you want.



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Ian: LSS discussion is surrounding funding for Aboriginal students – bursaries. TRC calls to action. One addresses gap in funding available and underrepresentation in PSE. Maybe 6 or 7 in Law, but if proportional we should have around 28, so we are low, but this is not uncommon at many departments. This was highlighted at the elections debate by many candidates. Funding for aboriginal students is very constrained. Debt levels at graduate level is higher for aboriginal students. He suggests that possibly we can create a scholarship – requires 50k endowment at queens to start things off and it becomes a perpetual scholarship. I feel this would be a powerful use of this money. At Senate, the provost is going to create a task force to response to TRC, so this could be a demonstration that efforts are being taken. Queen’s is a little behind the times and this would be a good way to get ahead.

Mark A: Thanks Ian. To respond to James, think of this as a one time thing, so this wouldn’t necessarily be a viable option, as it is non-renewable. The mindset is that this money will not always be there.

Tatevik: You mentioned earlier that the cost of clubs was costly. Could this help this?

Mark K: As said, our own clubs would require more staff that would certainly be paid more than 20k a year, so we are trying to find the best option. We currently spend in the area of 10k in our current system. Spending more money on this system would bring more people in. Building our won system would cost more than 20 k.

James: AMS faced same issue. Consists of complete overview of all clubs. Means that SGPS would take more responsibility. The AMS has 2 full time staff members working and is actually growing. In our current status it may be best to side with the AMS.

Leo: Ian, can you clarify what you meant by less funding for aboriginal students. As far as I know there are scholarships. Also the money comes from everyone, shouldn’t it benefit everyone.

Ian: We benefit from a diverse student body. Having exposure will benefit others. If the system was working, there would be less of a gap – so it is a problem, and this could address it.

Mike: Recognize lands we are gathered on. This is not just a small identity group. This is recognition of systemic barriers that exist. And while we cannot get rid of the barriers, there is nothing you can do to reach everyone, so at the end of the day we need to pick something that betters the community. To Ian’s point, it might be a good idea to get the Exec to meet with people to find out what types of things may be needed, what resources are actually best? (i.e. 4 directions center). Come with ideas. To address Leo’s comment. To address any particular group, even as general groups, it only ever affects a specific group. Take a step back and look at the whole situation.



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Korey: to Chris: 250 k invested? Can you elaborate in what kinds of funds? Ethical? Oil? Where is it?

Chris: To correct only 100k invested and 150k in bank. Things are transient. Might be big payments coming up. As to how they come up.

Andria: 100k is pennies. When we went to invest they told us it wasn't enough money. We are put in a group fund. Requested specifics but they were unable to provide that information. Andria spoke to investment officer about ethical investing and non-renewable energy. If we invest the other 150k we get more say.

Erica: Scholarship. Remind that this is a safe space. Whatever we do this, it needs to be equitable. If you have concerns. Email me!

Leo (POI): What is Equity?

Erica: Email Me!

Mark A: In so far as the University serving specific groups. This isn't a new thing – Queen's has made efforts to do these things. For example Engineering and Computing targeting women – higher ratios than most. To LSS, University has agreed to match LSS contributions, so they are committed to address these.

Mark K : I agree with Mark A. An endowment where we get more out of something out of it is the best way to go.

Travis: We can spend this on more than one idea.

B. Elections Disqualification – Travis Skippon

- a. The Chief Returning Officer will provide a final update on a decision to disqualify that occurred during the Voting Period.**

Travis: During the voting period – OPIRG referendum question was disqualified from the ballots. This was done due to violation of campaign policy. They have not appealed. The rule that was broken was based on the fact that there are two types of questions. Candidates must have nomination form and sign a form stating you will abide by the rules of the election – taking responsibility. Something similar exists for referendum questions. If you are a group that is seeking a fee via referendum question – you must form a referendum committee chaired by an SGPS member. The reason for this is that there is someone responsible for upholding the rules. This comes from some groups not being made up of students – as CRO I have no power over these groups, but we need to have a student who is responsible for the rules, and that we can enforce them. If you want to campaign you need to form a committee. All materials need to be approved by the CRO. OPIRG did not form a committee and



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decided to campaign anyway. This was brought to my attention during the second day of voting, thus this was the only option for penalty.

Natasha: Were they aware of the process?

Travis: They were informed at the same time as all other groups.

Natasha: Were they aware of the appeals process?

Travis: Yes.

Eric: I was approached by the group about filing an appeal, provided them with all of the details and requirements, and nothing further was heard.

Jared: Is the fee therefore not renewed? Do we have results?

Eric: The fee will not be renewed no. And there are results but they will not be released publically because the referendum question was disqualified.



Main Motions

A. Anti-Harassment Policy

MOTION 02/23/16:5

Moved: Chris Cochrane (president@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Mark Asfar (vpp@sgps.ca)

Whereas SGPS Council approved a comprehensive Anti-Harassment Policy (P.17) at the September 2015 Council meeting, and

Whereas having duplicate policies may lead to confusion for members or staff wishing to understand their protections under policy,

BIRT the SGPS repeal P.3.5 Anti-Harassment Policy.

Chris: Fairly comprehensive. We have two. One is long. The other is not. Get rid of the short one.

Motion carries.



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B. Bylaw and Policy Review

MOTION 02/23/16:6

Moved: Chris Cochrane (president@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Mark Asfar (vpp@sgps.ca)

BIRT the SGPS Bylaw and Policy Revisions Standing Committee be tasked with reviewing the SGPS Bylaw and Policy, with a focus on identifying:

- Policies that ought to be Bylaws,
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- Bylaws or Policies that no longer reflect the practices or structure of the SGPS or the Queen's University community.

BIFRT the SGPS Bylaw and Policy Revisions Standing Committee review the appropriateness of dividing SGPS Policies into "Operational Policy", to outline policies pertinent to the operation of SGPS services and ; and "Issues Policy", to outline SGPS positions on issues of relevance to the SGPS membership.

BIFRT the SGPS Bylaw and Policy Revisions Standing Committee shall report on its findings to the meeting of SGPS Council in March, with appropriate motions arising from the review.

Chris: 3 bits. 1 move bylaw to policy, and vice versa. Different levels of legality of bylaw and policy, and this should be fixed up. Second: many of these don't reflect current structure of the SGPS and Queen's. We need to find them and fix them. Third: divide into two policy manuals because of two different natures (operational and issues). IE progress reports is issues not operational.

Andria: POI I was tasked with this – there are over 274 issues in our current B&P. The structure referred to in this motion is standard to other bodies.

Leo: Is there an objective way to describe what is bylaw and policy? If so, how come it hasn't been done?

Andria: Bylaws are legally required to do, so financial policies should be in policy. Why this hasn't happened...I don't know.

Chris: nothing has forced this. Things were in policy because it was easier.

Leo: Different criteria? Does all bylaws need to go to a general meeting?

Eric. Yes, all changes to Bylaws need to pass at a General Meeting. We will be holding an additional GM in April to approve these changes, among others.



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Leo: Do the changes not pass if the second reading fails?

Eric: Yes, first becomes null void.

Travis: Examples of things out of practice?

Andria: Free Queens doesn't exist anymore for one.

Leo: Will effects be retroactively applied?

Eric: No.

Motion carries.

C. Aesculapian Society

MOTION 02/23/16:7

Moved: Chris Cochrane (president@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Mark Asfar (vpp@sgps.ca)

Whereas the Aesculapian Society does not have any formal ties to the SGPS, and therefore should not have an ex-officio seat on SGPS committees,

BIRT the SGPS repeal P.8.2.5.b (4).

Chris: example of something out of date. Med school is not part of the SGPS therefore should not be part of the committee.

Mike: Do they use their seat?

Eric: No

Motion carries.

D. Health and Dental Policy

MOTION 02/23/16:8

Moved: Chris Cochrane (president@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Cate Preston

Whereas the SGPS Health and Dental plan is intended to provide benefit for SGPS members,

BIRT the SGPS repeal Policy P.1.3.3(f) and P.1.3.3(g).



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Chris: these deal with adding Grad Club employees to our H&D plan. I was reading through our policy and didn't understand this. Wanted to take it out.

Jared: There are other people who are not members that are not members. Why are we targeting the Grad Club specifically?

Chris: Different Demographic. If you want to change the motion we could?

Travis: What are the other non-members?

Chris: h) staff of the SGPS l) post-docs and RMC students, b) couples and family.
Motion carries.

E. Ratification of Elections and Referendum Results

MOTION 02/23/16:9

Moved: Travis Skippon (cro@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Chris Cochrane (president@sgps.ca)

Whereas the voter turnout in the 2016 SGPS Election and Referendum was approximately 27.5%;

BIRT SGPS Council ratify the following results:

Elections

President (Saba Farbodkia)

Yes: 581 (89%)

No: 71 (11%)

Vice President Graduate (Sebastian Gorlewski)

Yes: 594 (92%)

No: 55 (8%)

Vice President Professional (Kishan Lakhani)

Yes: 570 (85%)

No: 102 (15%)

Vice President Finance and Services (Stuart Clark)

Yes: 550 (87%)

No: 79 (13%)

Vice President Campaigns & Community Affairs

Jodie Al-MqBali: 263 (49%)



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Anastasiya Boika: 278 (51%)

Referendum Renewals

Should the SGPS renew a Class A Mandatory fee (not indexed to inflation) of \$7.50 for CFRC Radio? This fee last went to referendum in 2012-2013.

Yes: 502 (54%)

No: 420 (46%)

Should the SGPS renew a Class A Mandatory fee (not indexed to inflation) of \$3.50 for the Queen's Journal? This fee last went to referendum in 2014-2015.

Yes: 566 (60%)

No: 373 (40%)

Should the SGPS renew a Class B Mandatory fee (indexed to inflation) of \$5.30 for Queen's Work Bursary? This fee last went to referendum in 2009-2010.

Yes: 673 (73%)

No: 247 (27%)

Should the SGPS renew a Class B Mandatory fee (indexed to inflation) of \$165.76 for Athletics and Recreation? This fee last went to referendum in 2009-2010.

Yes: 917 (83%)

No: 186 (17%)

Should the SGPS renew a Class A Optional fee (not indexed to inflation) of \$1.00 for the International Affairs Association? This fee last went to referendum in 2012-2013.

Yes: 657 (74%)

No: 231 (26%)

Should the SGPS renew a Class A Optional fee (not indexed to inflation) of \$20.00 for the Grad Club? This fee last went to referendum in 2012-2013.

Yes: 759 (77%)

No: 226 (23%)

Should the SGPS renew a Class A Optional fee (not indexed to inflation) of \$1.25 for the Queen's Food Centre? This fee last went to referendum in 2012-2013.

Yes: 754 (81%)

No: 182 (19%)



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Should the SGPS renew a Class A Optional fee (not indexed to inflation) of \$2.50 for the Kingston Coalition Against Poverty? This fee last went to referendum in 2012-2013.

Yes: 769 (82%)

No: 164 (18%)

Should the SGPS renew a Class A Optional fee (not indexed to inflation) of \$2.00 for Loving Spoonful? This fee last went to referendum in 2012-2013.

Yes: 742 (81%)

No: 175 (19%)

Should the SGPS renew a Class B Optional fee (indexed to inflation) of \$0.70 for the QISS Bursary Program? This fee last went to referendum in 2009-2010.

Yes: 677 (78%)

No: 189 (22%)

Should the SGPS renew a Class B Optional fee (indexed to inflation) of \$3.32 for Student Refugee Support? This fee last went to referendum in 2009-2010.

Yes: 803 (85%)

No: 140 (15%)

Should the SGPS renew a Class B Optional fee (indexed to inflation) of \$0.33 for the Positive Space Program? This fee last went to referendum in 2012-2013.

Yes: 711 (78%)

No: 203 (22%)

Should the SGPS renew a Class B Optional fee (indexed to inflation) of \$0.98 for the Kingston Youth Shelter? This fee last went to referendum in 2012-2013.

Yes: 846 (88%)

No: 110 (12%)

Should the SGPS renew a Class B Optional fee (indexed to inflation) of \$0.91 for the Sexual Health Resource Centre? This fee last went to referendum in 2009-2010.

Yes: 878 (90%)

No: 101 (10%)

Travis: Happy about voter turnout!

Kate: Thank reps coming to west campus. Large majority of Ed students took part because of this.



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Scott: Does this include referendum for OPIRG?

Eric: No.

Jared: Does Council not have to approve the disqualification? Policy refers to the question of disqualification being determined by the next Council Meeting.

Eric: No. The policy refers to the fact that the occurrence of the Council Meeting is the time at which the disqualification becomes final, as an appeal must be heard and ruled upon prior to the Council Meeting. That is why the policy does not state that the disqualification is voted on, approved, etc. but rather determined.

Mike: Procedural. Does that mean could be overturned?

Eric: No, the policy is strict that an appeal must be heard and ruled upon by the date of Council. This is my interpretation of the policy, which becomes fact unless a motion to challenge is presented.

Motion carries.

F. Student Advisor Program Usage

MOTION 02/23/16:10

Moved: Mark Kellenbgerer (vpg@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Chris Cochrane (president@sgps.ca)

BIRT a committee be struck to review the usage of the Student Advisor Program based on collected program statistics from May 2015 to January 2016 and to make a recommendation to the Executive on Advisor hiring for April 2016.

BIFRT the committee be chaired by the VP Graduate

BIFRT the committee membership contain the Student Advisor Program Administrator, at least one current Student Advisor, at least one SGPS Councillor, and at least one SGPS member at large with the committee not to exceed eight members.

Mark K: We have data, and I would like to have the committee review it.



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Emma: What are the statistics? Are there things that we could look at? Look at qualitative data? Past advisors?

Mark: Idea is to look at the program as it currently existed. And to have details from current advisors. Members of the committee will sign a confidentiality agreement to see data.

Mike: When you say which students you don't mean names?

Mark: No names.

MOTION 02/23/16:10-A1

Moved: Mark K

Seconded: Laith Juwaidah

Motion to add BIFRT clause: "BIFRT the Committee submit a report to the March Council Meeting."

Motion carries.

Scott: Why just from June? It existed from earlier.

Mark K: Based on the committee from last summer and the report and changes.

Leo: Follow up: Evaluate the changes? Wouldn't you need stats from before?

Mark K: We aren't looking at comparing to previous version, simply the data since the changes were implemented.

Motion carries.

G. Campaigns and Community Affairs Policy Updates

MOTION 02/23/16:11

Moved: Lorne Beswick (vpcca@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Chris Cochrane (president@sgps.ca)

Whereas the VP Campaigns and Community Affairs (hereafter VPCCA) Standing Committee has not met in five years, and in my two years in office despite making available the ability to join this committee only one person has indicated interest.



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Whereas Free Queen's has not been run by us since the spring of 2013, and the last exec to do so was the VP Graduate, not the VPCCA.

Whereas the VPCCA should not be the sole arbiter of equity policy compliance disputes between the Executive Director and the VP Finance & Services.

BIRT that the lines P.8.2.2, and P.2.1.1.d.3 regarding the Campaigns and Community Affairs Standing Committee be removed.

BIFRT that line P.2.1.1.d.4 regarding Free Queen's be removed.

BIFRT that line P.12.2.5.e regarding the status of the VPCCA as the sole arbiter of equity policy disagreements between the Executive Director and the VP Finance & Services be removed.

Lorne: Collection of fixes to the portfolio. They don't need to be there. The first: committee has not met in 5 years. Was told not to worry about it. Said the committee does not work well. Second: Free Queen's also has not been run. Third: what seems to be an old grudge – it shouldn't be up to the VPCCA to handle this.

Motion carries.



Other Business

C. Closed Session (Chris/Mark K)

MOTION 02/23/16:C1

Moved: Chris

Seconded: Mark K

Motion that SGPS Council move to an in-camera session.

Motion carries.



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MOTION 02/23/16:C2

Moved: Chris

Seconded: Mark K

Motion that SGPS Council approve allowing the incoming Executive to remain during in-camera session.

Motion carries.

MOTION 02/23/16:C3

Moved: Chris

Seconded: Mark K

Motion that SGPS Council approve allowing the incoming Rector to remain during the in-camera session.

Motion carries.

MOTION 02/23/16:E1

Moved: Mark K

Seconded: Mark A

Motion that SGPS Council be extended for 30 minutes

Motion carries.

MOTION 02/23/16:C4

Moved: Mark K

Seconded: Lorne

Motion that SGPS Council move out of in-camera session.

Motion carries.

In the In-Camera Session, the Executive reported on updates to matters previously discussed in closed-session. The Exec confirms that the SGPS now has appropriate insurance.



Main Motions

H. Moving March Council

Moved: Chirs

Seconded: Mark A

MOTION 02/23/16:13



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BIRT SGPS Council approve moving the March Council Meeting from Tuesday March 15, 2016 to Wednesday March 16, 2016.

Chris: Christina has a class at this time and is unavailable She has some business she would like to present that requires her to be here, so we would like to move it so she can be here.

Motion carries.



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Notices of Motion & Announcements

A. Notices of Motion

a. None

B. Announcements

a. The next SGPS Council Meeting will be on Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at 5:30pm in a location to be communicated. Motions and Reports are due to the Speaker no later than 4pm on Wednesday, March 9, 2016.



Adjournment

A. Adjournment

Motion 02/23/16:12

Moved: Chris Cochrane (president@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Mark Asfar (vpp@sgps.ca)

BIRT this meeting of SGPS Council be adjourned.

Motion carries.



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SGPS Council Attendance - February 23, 2016			
#	Position/Department	Name	Attendance
SGPS Non-Voting Members			
n1	Executive Director		
n2	Executive Assistant	Andria Burke	Present
n3	Social Commissioner	Daniela Oliveira	Absent
n4	Equity & Diversity Commissioner	Erica Baker	Present
n5	International Students Affairs Commissioner	Sara SidAhmed	Present
n6	Athletics Commissioner	Dominic Kucharski	Absent
n7	Speaker	Eric Rapos	Present
n8	Deputy Speaker		
n9	Chief Returning Officer	Travis Skippon	Present
n10	University Rector	Mike Young	Present



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SGPS Voting Members			
1	President	Chris Cochrane	Present
2	Vice President Graduate	Mark Kellenberger	Present
3	Vice President Professional	Mark Asfar	Present
4	Vice President Finance and Services	Christina Huber	Regrets
5	Vice President Campaigns and Community Affairs	Lorne Beswick	Present
6	Graduate Student Trustee	James MacLeod	Regrets
7	Graduate Student Senator	Eric Rapos	Present
8	Law Senator	Ian Moore	Present
9	Rehab Senator	Cate Preston	Present

Non-Departmental Voting Members			
10	Aboriginal Student Representative	Natasha Stirrett	Present
11	International Student Representative		
12	Mature Student Representative		
13	Part-Time Student Representative		



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Faculty of Arts & Science Departmental Voting Members			
14	Art Conservation	Christina McLean	Absent
15	Art History	Rachael Hencher	Absent
16	Biology	Eric Fedosejevs	Absent
17	Chemistry	Nakkiran Arulmozhi	Absent
18	Chemistry	Prashant Agrawal	Absent
19	Classics		
20	Computing	Ben Cecchetto	Regrets
21	Computing	Laith Juwaidah	Present
22	Cultural Studies		
23	Economics		
24	English Language & Literature	Tatevik Vika Nersisyan	Present
25	Environmental Studies		
26	French Studies		
27	Gender Studies	Shelby Loft	Present
28	Geography	Nemoy Lewis	Absent
29	Geological Sciences & Geological Engineering	Marina Joury	Absent
30	German Language & Literature		



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31	Global Development Studies		
32	History	Anastasiya Boika	Present
33	Industrial Relations	Brittany Bates	Absent
34	Kinesiology and Health Studies (Arts)	Emma Thompson	Present
35	Kinesiology and Health Studies (Science)	Robert Bently	Regrets
36	Mathematics and Statistics	David McLeod	Absent
37	Philosophy	Jared Houston	Present
38	Physics, Engineering Physics & Astronomy	Faleh Altal	Regrets
39	Political Studies	Korey Pasch	Present
40	Psychology	Sara Furlano	Absent
41	Religion	Desmond O'Doherty	Present
42	Sociology	Debra Mackinnon	Regrets
43	Urban and Regional Planning	Julia Sjaarda	Present



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Faculty of Health Sciences Departmental Voting Members			
44	Nursing	Alexis Near	Absent
45	Rehab Sciences (Professional)	Kim Mikalson	Present
46	Rehab Sciences (Research)		
47	Rehab Therapy		
48	DBMS - Anatomy and Cell Biology	SooHyun Ahn	Absent
49	DBMS - Biochemistry and Cell Biology	Jigyasa Arora	Absent
50	DBMS - Experimental Medicine	Matthew Sangoi	Absent
51	DBMS - Microbes, Immunity, and Inflammation	Rylend Mulder	Absent
52	DBMS - Reproduction and Developmental Sciences	Gillian Reid-Schachter	Absent
54	Pathology and Molecular Medicine	Tess Montminy	Absent
55	Public Health	Jessica Baumhour	Present



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Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science Departmental Voting Members			
56	Biomedical Engineering	Fiona Serack	Present
57	Chemical Engineering	D'Arcy Turner	Absent
58	Civil Engineering	Kenneth Mak	Present
59	Civil Engineering		
60	Electrical and Computer Engineering	Ishmeet Sethi	Absent
61	Electrical and Computer Engineering		
62	Mechanical and Materials Engineering		
63	Mechanical and Materials Engineering		
64	Mining Engineering	Alexander Cushing	Absent

School of Business Departmental Voting Members			
65	Graduate Students (MSc/PhD)	Jonathan Samosh	Regrets
66	Policy Studies	James Barsby	Present
67	Masters of International Business (MIB)	George Chalhoub	Absent



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Faculty of Education Departmental Voting Members			
68	Graduate Education (MEd)	Stephen Macgregor	Present
69	Graduate Education (PhD)		
70	ESS President	Mike Mollenhauer	Absent
71	ESS VP External	Brittney Pakkala	Absent
72	ESS Representative	Alyssa Broadbell	Proxy to Kate Carr
73	ESS Representative	Kate Carr	Present

Faculty of Law Departmental Voting Members			
74	Graduate Law	Maseeh Haseeb	Present
75	LSS President	Megan Berlin	Absent
76	LSS Representative	Cecilia Yang	Absent
77	LSS Representative	Carly Watt	Absent
78	LSS Representative	Rebecca Torrance	Present