



society of graduate & professional students
CANADIAN FEDERATION OF STUDENTS LOCAL 27

AGENDA

Society of Graduate and Professional Students' Council
Local 27 of the Canadian Federation of Students

Tuesday November 12th, 2013 5:30PM

McLaughlin Room, JDUC

1. Presentations

Ashley Vanstone: Will join us to discuss his new role as a mental health counsellor embedded in the School of Graduate Studies. This position has been newly created and comes with a broad mandate to implement customized, responsive services to support the mental health and well-being of grad students at Queen's. His activities will include one to one counselling of grad students, consultation to faculty, staff, and student groups, educational programming on issues relevant to psychological well-being, and advising management about the mental health implications of University policies and practices. He views the collaboration of SGPS as critical to ensuring the effectiveness of this role and is actively seeking the input of anyone who may have ideas, opinions, critiques, or concerns relevant to setting the mental health agenda for the coming months.

Presentation of VP Professional Candidates

2. Adoption of the Agenda & Minutes

MOTION

11/12/13:1

Moved: Iain Reeve (president@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Meagan Crane (vpcca@sgps.ca)

BIRT the agenda for November 12th, 2013 Council meeting be adopted.

MOTION

11/12/13:2

Moved: Jillian Burford-Grinnell (vpfs@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Becky Pero (vpg@sgps.ca)

BIRT the minutes for the October 8th, 2013 Council meeting be accepted.

3. Executive and Speaker Reports

- a. President – Iain Reeve (report attached)
- b. VP Graduate – Becky Pero (report attached)
- c. VP Professional – Vacant (no report)
- d. VP Campaigns & Community Affairs – Meagan Crane (report attached)
- e. VP Finance & Services – Jillian Burford-Grinnell (report attached)
- f. Executive Assistant – Anne-Marie Grondin (report attached)
- g. Speaker – James MacLeod (report attached)

MOTION

11/12/13:3

Moved: Becky Pero (vpg@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Iain Reeve (president@sgps.ca)

BIRT the Executive and Speaker Reports be accepted.

4. Senator, Board of Trustees, Commissioner, Committee & Other Reports

- a. Graduate Student Senator – Hamid Falahati (report attached)
- b. Graduate Student Trustee – James MacLeod (report attached)
- c. Committee Reports
- d. Commissioner Reports
 - i. Social Commissioner – Margaux MacDonald (report attached)
 - ii. Communications Commissioner – Sean Richards (report attached)
 - iii. Equity Commissioner: Robin Westland (report attached)
 - iv. International Students' Affairs Commissioner: Tian Lu (report attached)
- e. Other Reports
 - i. Equity Coordinator – Colleen Webber (report attached)
 - ii. International Students' Affairs Coordinator: Kris Singh (report attached)
 - iii. Sustainability Coordinator – Gulaid Egeh (report attached)
 - iv. Athletics Coordinator – Richard Elliott (no report)
 - v. Logistics Coordinator – Ciara Bracken-Roche (no report)
 - vi. Planning Coordinator – Vacant (no report)
 - vii. Rector – Nick Francis (no report)
 - viii. Chief Returning Officer – Laura Levick (report attached)
 - ix. Departmental Reports

MOTION

11/12/13:4

Moved: Meagan Crane (vpcca@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Jillian Burford-Grinnell (vpfs@sgps.ca)

BIRT the Senator, Board of Trustees, Commissioner, Committee and Other Reports be accepted.

5. Question Period/Departmental Issues

6. Business Arising From the Minutes

MOTION **11/12/13:5**
Moved: Eric Rapos
Seconded:

BIRT SGPS Council take from the table motion 10/08/13:5

“Whereas there existed some ambiguity in the Year Plan policy; and

Whereas there was some duplicated wording in the Year Plan policy; and

Whereas the new hiring timeline for Appointees of Council means year plan submission alongside the Executive is not feasible,

BIRT P.4.4 Year Plans be modified as seen in the October Council Appendices.”

7. Main Motions

MOTION **11/12/13:6**
Moved:
Seconded:

BIRT SGPS Council appoint <insert-name-here> as the new VP Professional of the Society of Graduate and Professional Students for the remainder of the current Executive term.

MOTION **11/12/13:7**
Moved: Iain Reeve (president@sgps.ca)
Seconded: Becky Pero (vpg@sgps.ca)

Whereas the Speaker has been tasked to develop policy surrounding use of SGPS rooms within the JDUC,

BIRT SGPS Council approve the SGPS Space Use Policy as seen in the appendix.

MOTION **11/12/13:8**
Moved: Iain Reeve (president@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Becky Pero (vpg@sgps.ca)

Whereas members of the ESS are unable to attend SGPS Council meetings until 6:30 pm due to conflicting class times,

BIRT SGPS Council agree to change Council meeting times to 6:30 pm for the 2013-2014 academic year.

MOTION

11/12/13:9

Moved: Jillian Burford-Grinnell (vpfs@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Becky Pero (vpg@sgps.ca)

Whereas last year the SGPS was contacted by various members asking for assistance over the December holiday break;

Whereas the SGPS ran a "Holiday Assistance Campaign" that assisted 18 student families at Queen's in 2011, and 20 families in 2012 over the winter break;

Whereas this year, members have already contacted the SGPS indicating their need for this assistance this December break;

Whereas the SGPS has allocated up to \$1000 as per the 2013-14 budget under the Charity heading;

BIRT that SGPS provide up to \$850 to the SGPS Holiday Assistance Program to support members over the December holiday break.

8. Other Business

9. Notice of Motions & Announcements

- a. Reports and Motions for the next SGPS Council Meeting are due on Tuesday, December 3rd, 2013 by 4:00 pm.
- b. The next SGPS Council Meeting will be on Tuesday, December 10th, 2013.
- c. The SGPS Fall General Meeting will be held on November 20th at 5:30 pm in Wallace Hall (JDUC).

10. Adjournment

MOTION

11/12/13:10

Moved: Meagan Crane (vpcca@sgps.ca)

Seconded: Becky Pero (vpg@sgps.ca)

BIRT the SGPS Council Meeting be adjourned.

11/12/13

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Attached:

October 8th Minutes

November Reports

SGPS Space Use Policy

P.4.4 Year Plans (Summary of Changes)