



Agenda

October 17th, 2017 - 5:30pm
McLaughlin Hall, JDUC

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.



Adoption of the Agenda

- A. Adoption of the Agenda** **MOTION 10/17/17:1**
BIRT SGPS Council adopt the Agenda for the October 17th, 2017 Council Meeting.



Elections

- A. Election of the Council Speaker** **MOTION 10/17/17:2**
BIRT SGPS Council elect _____ to be Council Speaker for the 2017-2018 term.
- B. Election of Deputy Speaker** **MOTION 10/17/17:3**
BIRT SGPS Council elect _____ to be Council Deputy Speaker for the 2017-2018 term.
- C. Election of the Chief Returning Officer** **MOTION 10/17/17:4**
BIRT SGPS Council elect _____ to be Chief Returning Officer for the 2017-2018 term.
- D. Election of SGPS Council member to SHRC Management Board** **MOTION 10/17/17:5**
BIRT SGPS Council elect _____ to sit as the SGPS Council representative on the SHRC Management Board for the 2017-2018 term.
- E. Election of SGPS Executive member to SHRC Management Board** **MOTION 10/17/17:6**
BIRT SGPS Council elect _____ to sit as the SGPS Council Executive representative on the SHRC Management Board for the 2017-2018 term.



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Presentations

- A. Queen's University Child Friendly Campus (CUCFC) Initiative
- B. I Love First Peoples Initiative (Nilita Sood)
- C. Council Orientation (Jennifer Williams)



Executive & Speaker Reports

A. Executive Reports

- a. President – Adam Grotsky (report attached)
- b. VP Graduate – Stéfy McKnight (report attached)
- c. VP Professional – Russell Durward (report attached)
- d. VP Finance & Services – Lauren Peacock (report attached)
- e. VP Community – Tyler Morrison (report attached)

B. Speaker Report

- a. Speaker – Jennifer Williams (oral report)

C. Approval

MOTION 10/17/17:7

BIRT SGPS Council approve the Executive and Speaker Reports.



Senator, Trustee, Commissioner, Committee & Other Reports

A. Senator Report – Graduate Student Senator – Alexandru Sonoc (no report submitted)

B. Trustee Report – Graduate Student Trustee – Adam Ali (report attached)

C. Commissioner Reports

- a. Athletics Commissioner – Lindsay Ruitter (report attached)
- b. Equity & Diversity Commissioner – Kelly Watson (report attached)
- c. International Students Affairs Commissioner – Atul Jaiswal (report attached)
- d. Social Commissioner – Martyna Kamela (report attached)

D. Committee Reports

E. Department Reports

- a. Political Studies Department

F. Other Reports

- a. University Rector – Cam Yung (report attached)
- b. Chief Returning Officer – Vacant



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G. Approval

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



Question Period & Departmental Issues

A. Graduate Student Experience Survey (Terry Soleas, EGSS)



Business Arising from the Minutes



Main Motions

A. Ad-Hoc Committee on Electoral Engagement

WHEREAS Every elected position within the Society was uncontested last year;

WHEREAS Voter turnout for the election and referenda was a mere 6%;

WHEREAS SGPS members should actively participate in the democracy of selecting their representatives;

WHEREAS SGPS members should be given sufficient choice when selecting their representatives;

BIRT The Ad-Hoc Committee on Electoral Engagement shall be formed and tasked with developing a strategy to improve engagement for the Winter 2018 election and referenda;

BIFRT The Committee shall be chaired by the SGPS CRO (or SGPS President until the CRO is elected) and include no less than three (3) members of SGPS Council, one of which must be the SGPS Speaker;

BIFRT The Committee shall be open to members at large, but shall not exceed a total of 7members;



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BIFRT The Committee shall submit a report to Council containing its findings and recommendations at the December meeting.

B. SGPS John G. Freeman Faculty Excellence Award

WHEREAS John G. Freeman was a beloved teacher and mentor to graduate students in the Faculty of Education;

WHEREAS John G. Freeman received a wide range of awards in recognition of his dedication to graduate students;

WHEREAS Staff and faculty both play a critical role for student success, but in markedly different capacities;

BIRT The SGPS Staff/Faculty Excellence Award shall be separated into two distinct awards;

BIFRT The faculty award shall be named the SGPS John G. Freeman Faculty Excellence Award.

P.6.1 SGPS Awards

P.6.1.1 Eligibility Criteria

- a. Eligibility for SGPS Student Contribution Awards:
 - 1) Must be an SGPS member
 - 2) Must have made a significant contribution to the SGPS membership and/or Queen's Community
- b. Eligibility for SGPS Staff/Faculty Excellence Award:
 - 1) Must be a Queen's University staff/faculty member, and
 - 2) Must have made a significant contribution to the SGPS membership outside of the classroom.
- c. Eligibility for SGPS John G. Freeman Faculty Excellence Award:
 - 1) Must be a Queen's University faculty member, and
 - 2) Must have made a significant contribution to the SGPS membership in the realm of teaching, supervision, and/or mentorship.
- d. Eligibility for SGPS Teaching Assistant/Teaching Fellow Excellence Award:
 - 1) Must be a Teaching Assistant or Teaching Fellow AND an SGPS member for some interval of time during the 12 months preceding the nomination period.



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- 2) Must have made a significant contribution to the SGPS membership and/or Queen's Community.

P.6.1.2 Timelines

- a. The Committee Chair will be chosen through a motion submitted by ~~a member of the Social Commissioner~~ **SGPS Executive** at the January Council Meeting.
- b. The Committee Chair shall be responsible for publicizing the need for **committee** members ~~via the Assistant Director of Networking~~. The remaining Committee members shall be ratified at the February Council Meeting.
- c. The Committee Chair shall be responsible for publicizing the call for nominations ~~via the Assistant Director of Networking~~.
- d. The nomination period shall be open for at least two weeks, and shall end no later than 2 weeks before the end of classes.
- e. The Committee shall inform the Award recipients and SGPS membership of their decisions no later than 2 weeks before the May Council Meeting.
- f. Recipients shall be notified of their Awards **in a manner deemed appropriate by the Committee Chair** ~~by telephone with written confirmation to follow~~.
- g. The Awards shall be presented to the recipients at May Council Meeting.

P.6.1.3 Nomination Format/Criteria for Choosing Award Recipients

- a. Nominations for the awards will be accepted only from current SGPS members, with the exception of the SGPS Teaching Assistant/Teaching Fellow Excellence Award, for which nominations may be accepted from any member of the Queen's Community
- b. The nomination forms shall be made available on the SGPS website and must, at the minimum, contain the following information:
 - 1) The nominator's full name and student number (if applicable)
 - 2) The name of the nominee
 - 3) The name of the Award
 - 4) Contact Information for the nominator and nominee
 - 5) A brief description of the contribution(s) made by the nominee to the SGPS and/or Queen's Community and the time period over which these contribution(s) were made
 - 6) A brief description of how this person's contribution(s) are outstanding and have made an impact on the SGPS and/or Queen's Community



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P.6.1.4 Award Description

Each award will **receive** consist of a plaque, ~~two tickets to the Spring Semi-Formal~~ and a monetary award (if applicable). The award recipients' names shall also be engraved on a plaque for display.



Other Business

A. Non-Academic Misconduct Discussion



Notices of Motion & Announcements

The next Council meeting will be Tuesday, November 14th at 5:30 PM (McLaughlin Hall, JDUC).
Motions for the November Council meeting are due by 4:00 PM on Tuesday, November 7th.

Please note that at our next meeting, we will be beginning the session with Bystander Intervention Training.



Adjournment

A. Adjournment

Motion 10/17/17:8

BIRT this meeting of SGPS Council be adjourned.