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.

**Presentation: Experiential Learning Discussion**

Submitted by Emma Thompson (PhD candidate, School of Kinesiology & Health Studies)

“Following the most recent meeting of the Experiential Learning Steering Committee, I would like to submit the following questions to the April meeting agenda for discussion. The committee would like me to return to our next meeting with graduate and professional students views and experiences on the following:

1) What experiential learning (EL) projects and support do you or people in your department have access to?
2) What are the primary EL opportunities within your department?
3) What considerations or challenges do you see in terms of EL as a graduate or professional student?

These questions are meant to guide discussion, but I am open to any and all thoughts about EL in the postgraduate experience.

Background Information: Queen’s University defines experiential learning as an opportunity for students to gain experience that helps them transition to employment. For more information please visit [http://queensu.ca/experientiallearninghub/home](http://queensu.ca/experientiallearninghub/home)

### I. Adoption of the Agenda & Approval of Minutes

**A. Adoption of the Agenda**

MOTION 10/04/18:1

BIRT SGPS Council adopt the Agenda for the April 10th, 2018 Council Meeting.

**B. Approval of March Council Minutes**

MOTION 10/04/18:2

BIRT SGPS Council adopt the Minutes from the March 13th, 2018 Council Meeting.
II. 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 10/04/18:3
   BIRT SGPS Council approve the Executive and Speaker Reports.

III. Senator, Trustee, Commissioner, Committee & Other Reports

A. Senator Report – Graduate Student Senator – Alexandru Sonoc (report attached)
B. Trustee Report – Graduate Student Trustee – Adam Ali (no report submitted)

C. Commissioner Reports
   a. Athletics Commissioner – Lindsay Ruiter (oral report)
   b. Equity & Diversity Commissioner – Rosie Petrides (report attached)
   c. International Students Affairs Commissioner – Atul Jaiswal (report attached)
   d. Social Commissioner – Martyna Kamela (report attached)

D. Committee Reports
E. Department Reports
F. Other Reports
   a. University Rector – Cam Yung (no report submitted)
   b. Chief Returning Officer (no report submitted)

G. Approval
   MOTION 10/04/18:4
   BIRT SGPS Council approve the Senator, Trustee, Commissioner, Committee & Other Reports.
IV. Question Period & Departmental Issues

V. Business Arising from the Minutes

VI. Main Motions & Discussion

A. Changes to Elections Policy
   (Bylaw and Policy Committee) - Appendix A

   B. Further Changes to Elections Policy
      (Stephan Dobri & Alexandru Sonoc)

WHEREAS: There was evident misunderstanding this year regarding the consequences of a failed vote for the Bus It fee; and

WHEREAS: Similar misunderstandings could occur again with the current ballot question system;

BIRT: that policy P.9.5e be amended as follows

e. Notwithstanding anything in this Policy, no question put to referendum shall include any statement about the consequences of the referendum’s outcome.

e. Every question put to referendum will include a brief impartial statement written by the Chief Returning Officer that clearly outlines any effects on member dues and member services if the question passes and if the question does not pass.

C. Marketing Officer Position Establishment – Policy Changes
   (Tyler Morrison) - Appendix B
VII. Other Business

VIII. Notices of Motion & Announcements

The next Council meeting will be Tuesday, May 8th at 5:30 PM (McLaughlin Hall, JDUC). Motions for the May Council meeting are due by 4:00 PM on Tuesday, May 1st.

IX. Adjournment

A. Adjournment

BIRT this meeting of SGPS Council be adjourned.

MOTION 10/04/18:7