



## Minutes

January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - 5:30pm  
McLaughlin Room, 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.



### I. Adoption of the Agenda

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- A. Adoption of the Agenda** **MOTION 15/01/19:1**  
**BIRT SGPS Council adopt the Agenda for the January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Council Meeting.**

**Moved by: VP Graduate**  
**Seconder: President**

**MOTION 15/01/19:2**

**Upon recommendation by the Finance and Services Committee, BIRT the Agenda be amended to add a referendum question (Walkhome, \$12 dollars) following motion C.**

Moved by: Brianna Pioli  
Second by: VP Graduate  
Adopted, unanimously

**MOTION 15/01/19:3**

**BIRT the Agenda be amended to add a presentation (The Aesculapian Society) immediately following the adoption of the minutes.**

Moved by: President  
Seconded by: VP Graduate  
Approved: unanimously

**Amended Agenda is adopted unanimously.**



### II. Minutes

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- A. BIRT the SGPS adopt the minutes from November 13, 2019.** **MOTION 15/01/19:4**

**Moved by: President**  
**Seconded by: VP Graduate**



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**Adopted, unanimously**



### **The Aesculapian Society**

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- A. Presentation by the University Affairs Officer.**



### **Executive & Speaker Reports**

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**B. Executive Reports**

- a. President – Tyler Morrison
- b. VP Graduate – Leo Erlikhman
- c. VP Professional – Lauren Peacock
- d. VP Finance & Services – Abel Hazon
- e. VP Community – Isabel Luce

**C. Speaker Report**

- a. Speaker – Simon Gollish

**D. Approval**

**MOTION 15/01/19:5**

**BIRT SGPS Council approve the Executive and Speaker Reports.**



### **Senator, Trustee, Commissioner, Committee & Other Reports**

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- A. Senator Report** – Graduate Student Senator – Alexandru Sonoc

- B. Trustee Report** – Graduate Student Trustee – Leena Yahia (no report)

**C. Commissioner Reports**

- a. Athletics Commissioner – Delivered by Devon Blaskevitch
- b. Equity & Diversity Commissioner – Catrina Mavrigianakis
- c. International Students Affairs Commissioner – Atul Jaiswal
- d. Social Commissioner – Beatrice Suero

**D. Committee Reports**

**E. Department Reports**

**F. Other Reports**

- a. University Rector – Alex da Silva (no report)



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b. Chief Returning Officer – Nick Stefan

**G. Approval**

**MOTION 15/01/19:6**

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



**IV. Question Period & Departmental Issues**

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**V. Business Arising from the Minutes**

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**VI. Main Motions & Discussion**

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**A. Adjusting Mandatory Fees to the Consumer Price Index (CPI)**

**MOTION 15/01/19:7**

**WHEREAS** SGPS Council changed the entirety of the SGPS fee policy in October 2016 and inadvertently removed the previous indexing to the Consumer Price Index that existed for Mandatory fees;

**WHEREAS** the SGPS may be obligated to continue to apply the Consumer Price Index to Mandatory fees year over year;

**WHEREAS** the referendum questions for mandatory fees previously stated they would be indexed to CPI

**BIRT** the following section “d” be added to P.1.2.4.g:

**d. Fees collected under the mandatory slate can be indexed to inflation on a yearly basis using the “Consumer Price Index” as published Bank of Canada.**

**BIFRT** that the following sections of P.9.3.f be changed to read:

**(2) “Do you agree to the establishment of a mandatory student fee of [\$x] (indexed to CPI) for [group]? This fee is subject to triennial review.”**



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**(5) “Do you agree to a [decrease/increase] in the [group] mandatory student fee, from [\$x] to [\$y] (indexed to CPI), a [decrease/increase] of [\$z]? This fee is subject to triennial review.**

**(7) “Do you agree to the continuation of a mandatory student fee of [\$x] (indexed to CPI) for [group]? This fee is subject to triennial review.”**

Moved by: President

Seconded by: VP graduate

Adopted, unanimously.

**B. Late Question Referenda**

**MOTION 15/01/19:8**

**BIRT the SGPS allow the Food Bank to submit a Nomination Package following the closing of the Nomination Period.**

**BIFRT the SGPS place the following question on the of 2019 SGPS General Elections:**

“Do you agree to the continuation of a mandatory student fee of \$1.20 for Alma Mater Society Food Bank? This fee is subject to triennial review.”

Moved by: VP Graduate

Seconded by: President

**Motion to Amend: BIRT the preceding motion include “index to CPI”.   MOTION 15/01/19:9**

Moved by: President

Seconded by: VP Graduate

Adopted, unanimously. The question now reads “Do you agree to the continuation of a mandatory student fee of \$1.20 (Indexed to CPI) for Alma Mater Society Food Bank? This fee is subject to triennial review.”

**The main motion is adopted, unanimously.**

**C. Elections and Referendum Questions**

**MOTION 15/01/19:10**



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**Upon recommendation from the Finance and Services Committee, BIRT SGPS Council place the following questions on the ballot of 2019 SGPS General Elections:**

**Elections for SGPS Executive and Graduate Student Senator:**

Please select the individual you wish to have elected as President of the Society of Graduate and Professional Students at Queen's University:

Jeremy Ambraska Jaspar Wong

Do you agree to the acclamation of Abel Hazon to the position of Vice-President Finance of the Society of Graduate and Professional Students at Queen's University?

Do you agree to the acclamation of Ryan Adlem to the position of Vice-President Professional of the Society of Graduate and Professional Students at Queen's University?

Do you agree to the acclamation of Leo Erlikhman to the position of Vice-President Graduate of the Society of Graduate and Professional Students at Queen's University?

Do you agree to the acclamation of Cameron Wathey to the position of Vice-President Community of the Society of Graduate and Professional Students at Queen's University?

Do you agree to the acclamation of Courtney Bannerman to the position of Graduate Student Senator?

**Mandatory Fee Questions**

"Do you agree to the continuation of a mandatory student fee of \$174.24 for Queen's Athletic and Recreation? This fee is subject to triennial review."

"Do you agree to the continuation of a mandatory student fee of \$1.00 for Four Directions Indigenous Student Centre? This fee is subject to triennial review."

"Do you agree to the continuation of a mandatory student fee of \$0.71 for Queen's International Student Society Bursary Program? This fee is subject to triennial review."

"Do you agree to the continuation of a mandatory student fee of \$3.48 for World University Services Canada (WUSC) Queen's? This fee is subject to triennial review."



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“Do you agree to the continuation of a mandatory student fee of \$3.50 for The Queen’s Journal? This fee is subject to triennial review.”

“Do you agree to the continuation of a mandatory student fee of \$5.56 for Work-Study Program? This fee is subject to triennial review.”

**Optional Fee Questions**

“Do you agree to the continuation of an optional student fee of \$7.50 for CFRC 101.9FM? This fee is subject to triennial review.”

“Do you agree to the continuation of an optional student fee of \$2.50 for Kingston Coalition Against Poverty? This fee is subject to triennial review.”

“Do you agree to the continuation of an optional student fee of \$2.00 for Loving Spoonful? This fee is subject to triennial review.”

“Do you agree to the continuation of an optional student fee of \$1.00 for Kingston Youth Shelter? This fee is subject to triennial review.”

“Do you agree to the continuation of an optional student fee of \$20.00 for Grad Club? This fee is subject to triennial review.”

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**Moved by President**

**Seconded by: VP Graduate**

**MOTION 15/01/19:11**

**Motion to amend: World University Services Canada (WUSC) Queen’s fee should be written as optional and not a mandatory fee.**

Mover: President

Secunder: VP Community

Adopted, unanimously



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**MOTION 15/01/19:12**

**Motion to amend: All mandatory fees should be amended to include the prescribed language indicating they will be indexed to CPI.**

Moved by: President  
Seconded by: VP Community  
Adopted, unanimously

Student Graduate Senator asks as to why certain fees are mandatory versus optional.

**The main motion is adopted unanimously.**

**D. Referendum Question – Walkhome**

**MOTION 15/01/19:13**

**Upon recommendation of the Finance and Services, BIRT the following question be added to the ballot:**

“Do you agree to the establishment of a mandatory student fee of \$12.00 (indexed to CPI) for Walkhome? This fee is subject to triennial review.”

**Moved by: Brianna Pioli**  
**Seconded by: Unnamed Councillor**

**MOTION 15/01/19:14**

**Motion to amend: questions should be amended to a mandatory fee and include the prescribed language indicating they will be indexed to CPI.**

Moved by: President  
Seconded by: Mike Dungey  
Adopted, unanimously. Question now reads “Do you agree to the establishment of a mandatory student fee of \$12.00 (indexed to CPI) for Walkhome? This fee is subject to triennial review.”

Members debate main motion.

**Main motion is adopted, noted opposition.**



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**Other Business**

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**Notices of Motion & Announcements**

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The next Council meeting will be Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM (McLaughlin Room, JDUC).  
Motions for the February Council meeting are due by 4:00 PM on Tuesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>.



**Adjournment**

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**A. Adjournment**

**MOTION 15/01/19:15**

**BIRT this meeting of SGPS Council be adjourned.**

**Moved by: President**

**Adopted, unanimously.**