May Council Meeting - Minutes
May 17th, 2022 - 5:30pm
Zoom

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. This land acknowledgement reminds us that rich Indigenous governances still exist, and will go into the future. This should also serve as a reminder that we are benefitting by living on this land that is a traditional territory of indigenous people.

I. Announcements

II. Adoption of the Agenda

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   MOOTION 05/17/22:01
   BIRT SGPS Council adopt the Agenda for the May 17th, 2022 Council meeting

   Beth Langdon moves, Devin Fowlie seconds. No points of discussion on this motion. No dissenting votes; the motion passes unanimously.

III. Minutes

A. Approval of the Meeting Minutes  
   MOOTION 05/17/22:02
   BIRT the SGPS adopt the minutes from the April 12th, 2022 Council Meeting

   Aisha Nathoo moves, Beth Langdon seconds. No points of discussion on this motion. No dissenting votes; the motion passes unanimously.

IV. Executive & Speaker Reports

A. Executive Reports
   a. President – Beth Langdon (report attached)
      a. Beth introduces herself
      b. Discusses board of trustees and plan for upcoming year in written report
   b. VP Graduate – Devin Fowlie (report attached)
      a. Devin introduces himself
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b. Goals and plans for the year discussed within written report

c. Point 1 (from report):
   
i. School of Kinesiology and Health Studies graduate council sent letter to tri council funding agencies for a funding extension of additional 4mth to compensate for those affected in research by covid pandemic. March 2020-March 2021 would be time point of those affected. Asking for eligibility to be extended further. Wrote a letter of support and sent along to presidents of Tri-Council agency. Heard back from Robert Strong (president for CIHR) and he has stated it will be reviewed. Being sent to CAGS (Canadian Association of Graduate Studies) and other universities to gain additional support.

d. Point 2:
   
i. Students looking for external PhD examiners- SGS would offer $100 honorarium and $500 for travel. Being increased to $400 honorarium and $800 for travel for those not from academia to support their work as examiners.
   
ii. Could reach out to SGS to discuss extending this to those that don’t directly fall under non-academic to receive the same funding.

e. Point 3:
   
i. Queen’s has undertaken a SOLUS revamping project and are looking for students to test out this new platform and report back.
   
ii. If interested or know someone who’s interested, email Devin accordingly (vp.graduate@sgps.ca).
   
iii. Question from Annika Fuernsinn- Are there benefits for students participating, such as gift cards etc?  
1. Devin answers - Unfortunately no.

c. VP Professional – Chloe Stone (no report)

d. VP Finance and Services – Sandra Wright (report attached)
   
a. No comment.

e. VP Community – Emilia Ganslandt (report attached)
   
a. Welcomes the commissioners: Clare, Jane, Sabrina, and Madeline
   
b. No further comment.

B. Speaker Report  
   
a. Speaker – Aileen Editha (no report)

C. Approval  
   
BIRT SGPS Council approve the Executive and Speaker Reports.

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Beth Langdon moves, Emilia Ganslandt seconds. No points of discussion on this motion. No dissenting votes; the motion passes unanimously.

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

A. Senator Report – Graduate Student Senator – Emils Matiss (no report)

B. Trustee Report – Graduate Student Trustee – *position vacant; election to be held in Fall 2022*

C. Commissioner Reports
   a. Athletics & Wellness Commissioner – Clare Gaherty (report attached)
      i. No comment.
   b. Equity & Diversity Commissioner – Jane Mao (report attached)
   c. Indigenous Graduate Liaison – *position vacant*
   d. Social Commissioner – Madeleine Cleland (report attached)
   e. International Commissioner – Sabrina Masud (report attached)

D. Committee Reports

E. Department Reports

F. Other Reports
   a. University Rector – Owen Crawford-Lem (no report)

G. Approval

   **MOTION 05/17/22:04**

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

   Devin Fowlie moves, Beth Langdon seconds. No points of discussion on this motion. No dissenting votes; the motion passes unanimously.

VI. Question Period and Departmental Issues

VII. Business Arising from the Minutes

VIV. Main Motions & Discussion
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A. Ratification of 2022-23 Council Schedule

BIRT the SGPS ratify the following meeting dates for 2022-23 Council.

Lucy Warren moves, Annika Fuernsinn seconds. No points of discussion on this motion. No dissenting votes; the motion passes unanimously.

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<th>Month 2022</th>
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| August 2022      | Reports - Tuesday, August 9, 2022  
|                  | Meeting - Tuesday, August 16, 2022 |
| September 2022   | Reports - Tuesday, September 13, 2022  
|                  | Meeting - Tuesday, September 20, 2022 |
| General Meeting – October 2022 | Reports - Tuesday, October 11, 2022  
|                  | Meeting - Tuesday, October 18, 2022 |
| November 2022    | Reports - Tuesday, November 8, 2022  
|                  | Meeting - Tuesday, November 15, 2022 |
| December 2022    | Reports - Tuesday, December 6, 2022  
|                  | Meeting - Tuesday, December 13, 2022 |
| January 2023     | Reports - Tuesday, January 10, 2023  
|                  | Meeting - Tuesday, January 17, 2023 |
| February 2023    | Reports - Tuesday, February 7, 2023  
|                  | Meeting - Tuesday, February 14, 2023 |
| March 2023       | Reports - Tuesday, March 7, 2023  
|                  | Meeting - Tuesday, March 14, 2023 |
| April 2023       | Reports - Tuesday, April 4, 2023  
|                  | Meeting - Tuesday, April 11, 2023 |
| May 2023         | Reports - Tuesday, May 9, 2023  
|                  | Meeting - Tuesday, May 16, 2023 |

B. Deputy Speaker Vote

Candidates (in no particular order):
- Vina Li
- Amber St-Jean
- Daniel Reddy
- Katie Zutautas

BIRT the SGPS approve the nomination of Katie Zutautas as Deputy Speaker for the 2022-23 term.

Annika Fuernsinn moves, Lucy Warren seconds. No points of discussion on this motion. No dissenting votes; the motion passes unanimously.
X. Other Business

XI. Notices of Motion & Announcements

Beth encourages all those who were unsuccessful in the Deputy Speaker election to apply for the Trustee elections in the upcoming Fall semester.

XII. Adjournment

MOTION 05/17/22: BIRT this meeting of SGPS Council be adjourned.

Annika Fuernsinn moves, Emilia Ganslandt seconds. No points of discussion on this motion. No dissenting votes; the motion passes unanimously.