

The Society of Graduate and Professional Students recognizes the 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 is also a reminder that we are benefitting by living on this land that is a territory of Indigenous people.

I. Announcements

II. Adoption of the Agenda

A. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION 24/03/19:01

BIRT SGPS Council adopt the Agenda for the March 19th Council Meeting.

III. Minutes

A. Approval of the Meeting Minutes

MOTION 24/03/19:02

BIRT SGPS Council adopt the minutes from the February 13th Council Meeting.

IV. Executive & Speaker Reports

A. Executive Reports

- a. President – Devin Fowlie (oral report)
- b. VP Graduate – Steacy Coombs (report attached)
- c. VP Professional – Maya Kawale (report attached)
- d. VP Finance and Services – Gaby Fekete (no report)
- e. VP Community – Tony Hu (report attached)

B. Speaker Report

- a. Speaker – Aileen Editha (no report)

C. Approval

MOTION 24/03/19:03

BIRT SGPS Council approve the Executive and Speaker Reports.

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

A. Senator Report – Graduate Student Senator – *Sakura Koner (subject to ratification)*

B. Trustee Report – Graduate Student Trustee – Kana Ogawa (oral report)

C. Commissioner Reports

- a. Athletics & Wellness Commissioner – Meghan Mendelin (report attached)
- b. Equity & Diversity Commissioner – Sangeetha Saravanan (report attached)
- c. Indigenous Graduate Liaison – *position vacant*
- d. International Students' Affairs Commissioner – Vina Li (oral report)

e. Social Commissioner – Gabby Toretto (report attached)

D. Committee Reports

E. Department Reports

F. Other Reports

a. University Rector – Niki Boytchuk-Hale (no report)

G. Approval

MOTION 24/03/19:04

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

VI. Question Period and Departmental Issues

VII. Business Arising from the Minutes

Budgetary explanation from the SGPS Executive (from January meeting minutes).

VIII. Main Motions & Discussion

A. Motion to Ratify Results of the 2024-25 By-Election

MOTION 24/03/19:05

BIRT 2023-24 SGPS Council ratify the results of the 2024-25 By-Election, and approve Sakura Koner’s appointment as the Graduate Student Senator.

See: Appendix A 24-25 By-Election Results.

B. Discussion: Relationship between the SGPS and SLC

Discussing how the SLC might allow groups to rent their tables on campus and use them in ways that don't align with SGPS values.

Discussion item raised and presented by Abby McLean, Council Representative (Cultural Studies)

C. Discussion on the “Queen’s Statement on the Palestinian flag incident”

Discussing on the University’s statement which referred to the flying of a Palestinian flag on campus as a “hate-motivated act” (this phrase was later quietly edited out). See archived version here: <https://archive.is/rWu8o>; see current version by [clicking this link](#).

Discussion item raised and presented by Jake Morrow, Council Representative (English)

IX. Other Business



X. Notices of Motion & Announcements

XI. Adjournment

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MOTION 24/03/19:06

BIRT this meeting of SGPS Council be adjourned.