

GSA Council Meeting Agenda

Date: Monday, February 25th, 2019

Time: 6:00 PM to 9:30 PM

Venue: GSA House

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Chair: Nura Jabagi

Meeting Facilitator: Rouzbeh Ghouchani

Minutes Taker: Nura Jabagi

Councillors:

Present: Yihan Wu, Mahmud Joarder, Harish Babu Mullapudi, Yinglin Zhang, Fangfang Gu, Boshra Arghavani, Masoumeh Zaare, Irina Borcea, Avneet Singh Chawla, Etta Sandry, Abhi Bhowmick, Shreyas Krishnamurathy, Jean-Simon Castonguay, Sahar Alinezhad,

Absent: : Divya Divya, Anuj Bisani, Anumeet Kaur, Panteha Mamouri, Nancy Shukla, Karolyne Courville |

Executives:

Present: Amir Molaei, Nafisa Jamal, Likith Kumar Reddy Chavva, Aathi Prasath Agasthiappan

Absent: Aeisha Vyas

Final Agenda:

1. Attendance Sheet verification at 6:00 PM
2. Call to Order
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Website Development
5. Approval of executive reports and action plans (Closed Session)
 - a. President
 - b. VP Internal
 - c. VP External
 - d. VP Academic and Advocacy
 - e. VP Mobilization

6. Discussion about Executives' monthly report deadline.
7. Executives follow up on issues raised in the previous monthly reports in this mandate.
8. Executives' update on their discussion with other graduate students' associations in Canada.
9. Follow up question/discussion regarding vacant Arts and Science positions.
10. Directors with unaccounted absences
11. Business arising from the minutes
12. New Business
13. Adjournment

Minutes

1. **Attendance sheet verification at 6:00 pm**
2. **Call to order 6:30 pm**
3. **Adoption of the agenda**

Motion CO-20190225-01

BIRT Adoption of the agenda

Moved: Masoumeh Zaare

Seconded: Irina Borcea

For: Yihan Wu, Mahmud Joarder, Harish Babu Mullapudi, Yinglin Zhang, Fangfang Gu, Boshra Arghavani, Masoumeh Zaare, Irina Borcea, Avneet Singh Chawla, Etta Sandry, Abhi Bhowmick, Shreyas Krishnamurathy, Jean-Simon Castonguay, Sahar Alinezhad,

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted: Yes

4. Website Development

Deadline is March 11th at 11:59PM to submit website requests. After which it will be reviewed by the Executives and Nura Jabagi to determine next steps.

5. Approval of executive reports and action plans (Closed Session)

Motion CO-20190225-02

BIRT move to closed session

Moved: Masoumeh Zaare

Seconded: Harish Babu Mullapudi

For: Yihan Wu, Mahmud Joarder, Harish Babu Mullapudi, Yinglin Zhang, Fangfang Gu, Boshra Arghavani, Masoumeh Zaare, Irina Borcea, Avneet Singh Chawla, Etta Sandry, Abhi Bhowmick, Shreyas Krishnamurathy, Jean-Simon Castonguay, Sahar Alinezhad,

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted: Yes

Motion CO-20190225-08

BIRT move to open session

Moved: Jean-Simon Castonguay

Seconded: Etta Sandry

For: Yihan Wu, Mahmud Joarder, Harish Babu Mullapudi, Yinglin Zhang, Fangfang Gu, Boshra Arghavani, Masoumeh Zaare, Irina Borcea, Avneet Singh Chawla, Etta Sandry, Abhi Bhowmick, Shreyas Krishnamurathy, Jean-Simon Castonguay, Sahar Alinezhad,

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted: Yes

6. Discussion about Executives' monthly report deadline.

Since most motions come to mind after reading the reports of the executives' team and the directors should send their points 5 days prior to the council meeting. We suggest that the executives send their reports 10 days prior to the meeting. In the meantime, they can update their submitted report.

7. Executives follow up on issues raised in the previous monthly reports in this mandate.

The executives' team can possibly brief us if they have looked into their previous reports since May 2018 and have followed up or acted on all issues that had been raised during their mandate.

8. Executives' update on their discussion with other graduate students' associations in Canada.

It would be great to get an update on what the executive team have discussed with the GSA teams of other universities in Canada.

The Executives should begin by meeting with QSU, then (based on said meeting) identify other organizations to meet with, with the goal of answering these guiding questions:

** Could you identify the successful plans?*

** What would be our action plan?*

** When will your report indicating your recommendations to the next team be ready?*

9. Follow up question/discussion regarding vacant Arts and Science positions.

In our council meeting in January 31st, Vice President Internal encouraged the directors in Arts and Science to fill two vacant director positions in Arts and Science after our failure in organizing the election. Therefore, the director in Education department started the discussions with the hope that more Arts and Science directors can show up in the council meetings. An interested candidate sent an email to the executives' team.

Finally, after 8 days, the president responded that the vacant positions need to be voted in GA. The executive team should explain why they are not working collaboratively.

Motion CO-20190225-09

BIRT advertise the vacant A&S positions and appoint CRO for full elections.

Moved: Masoumeh Zaare

Seconded: Irina Borcea

For: Masoumeh Zaare, Irina Borcea, Sahar Alinezhad

Against: Etta Sandry

Abstain: Jean-Simon Castonguay, Yinglin Zhang, Harish Babu Mullapudi, Yihan Wu, Boshra Arghavani, Mahmud Joarder, Fangfang Gu, Avneet Singh Chawla, Abhi Bhowmick, Shreyas Krishnamurathy

Adopted: Yes

10. Directors with unaccounted absences.

11. Business arising from the minutes

12. New Business

13. Adjournment

Motion CO-20190225-10

BIRT the meeting is adjourned.

Moved: Jean-Simon Castonguay

Seconded: Masoumeh Zaare

For: Yihan Wu, Mahmud Joarder, Harish Babu Mullapudi, Yinglin Zhang, Fangfang Gu, Boshra Arghavani, Masoumeh Zaare, Irina Borcea, Avneet Singh Chawla, Etta Sandry, Abhi Bhowmick, Shreyas Krishnamurathy, Jean-Simon Castonguay, Sahar Alinezhad,

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted: Yes

Next steps:

The Executives are to send one email tomorrow (Feb 26th) re: GA and regarding the Vacant Arts and Science positions. Interested candidates will present themselves. As an alternative

an appointment of positions shall occur for 45 days if there are no (or insufficient) candidates.