

GSA Council Meeting Agenda

Date: Tuesday, October 23rd, 2018

Time: 12:30 PM to 4 PM

Venue: H-627 (Hall Building)

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Chair: Nura Jabagi

Meeting Facilitator: Rouzbeh Ghouchani

Minutes Taker: Nura Jabagi

Councillors:

Present: Divya Divya, Yihan Wu, Yinglin Zhang, Anuj Bisani, Boshra Arghavani, Anumeet Kaur, Masoumeh Zaare, Etta Sandry, Abhi Bhowmick, Shreyas Krishnamurathy, Fangfang Gu, Nancy Shukla, Jean-Simon Castonguay, Avneet Singh Chawla

Absent: Mahmud Joarder, Harish Babu Mullapudi, Karolyne Courville

Executives:

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

Absent: Aeisha Vyas (coming at 2pm)

Final Agenda:

1. Attendance Sheet verification at 12:30pm
2. Call to Order
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. 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
5. Informational presentation about a Fine Arts GSA event.

The purpose of the presentation will be to inform the other Directors about the event, share details about the event from last year, give an update about the progress and anticipated timeline of the event this year, and allow time for questions and feedback.

6. GSA General Assembly Agenda.
7. Voting by the council on budget changes proposed the last council meeting.
8. A presentation by Amir on the international Insurance plan issues.
9. A presentation by Tabassum on special projects.
10. Formation of the Sustainability committee.
11. By-elections for Arts and science directors.
12. Re-considering the last meeting motion about funding i.e budget allotted for Ph.D and special project.
13. Executives' explanation about the selection process of the committee members for the Graduate Curriculum Committee, the council of the school of graduate studies, the council of the school of the graduate studies steering committee and the Concordia sexual assault policy review committee.
14. The executives have a weekly briefing meeting with the Office Manager and report the outcome of their meetings to GSA directors regarding the university bodies emails. It is just noticed that university bodies send their emails to the general GSA email address (info@gsaconcordia.ca) and the executives might not aware of some. So, I assume it would be a good idea if the executives have a weekly briefing meeting with the Office Manager and report the outcome of their meetings to GSA directors.
15. Business arising from the minutes
16. New Business
17. Adjournment

Minutes

1. Attendance sheet verification at 12:30 pm
2. Call to order 1 pm
3. Adoption of the agenda

Motion CO-20181023-01

BIRT Adoption of the agenda

Moved: Jean-Simon Castonguay

Seconded: Etta Sandry

For: Divya Divya, Yihan Wu, Yinglin Zhang, Anuj Bisani, Boshra Arghavani, Anumeet Kaur, Masoumeh Zaare, Etta Sandry, Abhi Bhowmick, Shreyas Krishnamurathy, Fangfang Gu, Nancy Shukla, Jean-Simon Castonguay, Avneet Singh Chawla

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted: Yes

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

Motion CO-20181023-02

BIRT move to closed session

Moved: Yihan Wu

Seconded: Boshra Arghavani

For: Divya Divya, Yihan Wu, Yinglin Zhang, Anuj Bisani, Boshra Arghavani, Anumeet Kaur, Masoumeh Zaare, Etta Sandry, Abhi Bhowmick, Shreyas Krishnamurathy, Fangfang Gu, Nancy Shukla, Jean-Simon Castonguay, Avneet Singh Chawla

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted: Yes

Motion CO-20181023-04

BIRT move to open session

Moved: Jean-Simon Castonguay

Seconded: Yihan Wu,

For: Divya Divya, Yihan Wu, Yinglin Zhang, Anuj Bisani, Boshra Arghavani, Anumeet Kaur, Masoumeh Zaare, Etta Sandry, Abhi Bhowmick, Shreyas Krishnamurathy, Fangfang Gu, Nancy Shukla, Jean-Simon Castonguay, Avneet Singh Chawla

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted: Yes

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6. GSA General Assembly Agenda.

Motion CO-20181023-05

BIRT GA Agenda is approved

Moved: Etta Sandry

Seconded: Anuj Bisani

For: Divya Divya, Yihan Wu, Yinglin Zhang, Anuj Bisani, Boshra Arghavani, Anumeet Kaur, Masoumeh Zaare, Etta Sandry, Abhi Bhowmick, Shreyas Krishnamurathy, Fangfang Gu, Nancy Shukla, Jean-Simon Castonguay, Avneet Singh Chawla

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted: Yes

7. Voting by the council on budget changes proposed the last council meeting.
8. A presentation by Amir on the international Insurance plan issues.
9. A presentation by Tabassum on special projects.

10. Formation of the Sustainability committee.
Divya, Etta, Aeisha

11. Bi-elections for Arts and science directors.

Motion CO-20181023-06

BIRT that we do not hold the bi-elections for AS directors during the GA, but rather that intra-faculty elections (e.g. Arts and Science; and Independent studies) events be held in order for candidates to introduce themselves, take questions, and facilitate voting (as adhering to the bylaws). The five (5) vacant positions for Arts Science students and one (1) independent student should be well advertised, and adhere to the GSA bylaws regarding channels of communication and timelines.

Moved: Etta Sandry

Seconded: Masoumeh Zaare

For: Divya Divya, Yihan Wu, Yinglin Zhang, Anuj Bisani, Boshra Arghavani, Anumeet Kaur, Masoumeh Zaare, Etta Sandry, Abhi Bhowmick, Shreyas Krishnamurathy, Fangfang Gu, Nancy Shukla, Jean-Simon Castonguay, Avneet Singh Chawla

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted: Yes

12. Re-considering the last meeting motion about funding i.e budget allotted for Ph.D and special project.

Motion CO-20181023-07

BIRT that 5,000\$ be transferred from the Conference subsidies for students to the Special Projects fund in order for both funds to have an allocation of 15,000\$ each.

Moved: Anuj Bisani

Seconded: Avneet Singh Chawla

For: Divya Divya, Yihan Wu, Anuj Bisani, Anumeet Kaur, Abhi Bhowmick, Shreyas Krishnamurathy, Fangfang Gu, Avneet Singh Chawla

Against: Etta Sandry, Masoumeh Zaare

Abstain: Yinglin Zhang, Jean-Simon Castonguay, Boshra Arghavani, Nancy Shukla

Adopted: Yes

13. Executives' explanation about the selection process of the committee members for the Graduate Curriculum Committee, the council of the school of graduate studies, the council of the school of the graduate studies steering committee and the Concordia sexual assault policy review committee.

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15. Business arising from the minutes

16. New Business

Motion CO-20181023-08

BIRT the meeting is adjourned

Moved: Jean-Simon Castonguay

Seconded: Nancy Shukla

For: Divya Divya, Yihan Wu, Yinglin Zhang, Anuj Bisani, Boshra Arghavani, Anumeet Kaur, Masoumeh Zaare, Etta Sandry, Abhi Bhowmick, Shreyas Krishnamurathy, Fangfang Gu, Nancy Shukla, Jean-Simon Castonguay, Avneet Singh Chawla

Against: Etta Sandry, Masoumeh Zaare

Abstain: Yinglin Zhang, Jean-Simon Castonguay, Boshra Arghavani, Nancy Shukla

Adopted: Yes

17. Adjournment