

UMGSA Council Meeting Minutes
May 28, 2014, 5:00pm
GSA Lounge

APPROVED
August 27 114 *LR*

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:05 PM

2. Approval of the Agenda

2.1. Investment Proposals

2.1.1. The executive decided to postpone presentations from RBC and BMO to take more time to make this decision, develop an investment policy to guide decision making on investments for the future and secure third party advice.

2.2. Executive-at-Large Nomination

This item has been tabled to consider how to redefine and redistribute the responsibilities of the Executive Assistant, VPME position and the Exec at Large position.

MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council approve the Agenda for May 28, 2014 as amended.

Sebastien Kerherve (*Physics and Astronomy*)/ Kathleen Strader (*Linguistics*)
Carried

3. Approval of Minutes from April 23, 2014 UMGSA Council Meeting

MOTION: BIRT the minutes from the April 23, 2014 UMGSA Council Meeting be approved.

Melissa Rabb/ Amanda Gebhardt (*Management- MBA*)

Carried

3.1. Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

4. Unanimous consent agenda

4.1. Any item that has a beside it denotes unanimous consent agenda

Any member who wishes to debate an item that is listed below may have it removed from the consent agenda by contacting the Chair prior to the meeting or by asking that it be removed before the Chair calls for a mover and seconder for the following motions.

MOTION: BIRT that all executive reports are accepted omnibus.

Daniel Levin (*Sociology*)/ Kathleen Strader (*Linguistics*)

Carried

5. Councillor Transition Period

5.1. Please ensure you update Ruth (gsa@umgsa.org) with any changes to your department

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councilor's name, e-mail, and phone number.

5.2. Please inform incoming GSA department representatives that council meeting dates will continue to be the 4th Wednesday of every month, except for June, July, and December at which point there will not be a meeting.

6. Presentation of the GSA 2014/2015 Budget (Appendix A)

Only slight modifications were made to keep up with inflation and student need. We will reevaluate the budget in November when we get the current student numbers from the university.

MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council approve the 2014/15 Budget as presented.

Ryan Duplassie (*Native Studies*) / Halya Petzold (*Geological Sciences*)

Carried

7. Presentation of HSGSA 2014/2015 Budget (Information only)

8. Committee Membership (see Appendix A)

Please have your department (Councillor or alternate) sign up for a committee in order to be considered for Departmental Grants. Not all committees were filled in this meeting, we will seek membership for those that were not and ratify them in August.

8.1. MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council ratifies the nominations for the Internal Committee members.

Danielle Dubois (*History*)/ Jaymie Borchardt (*Interior Design*)

Carried

9. Executive Reports

9.1. President/ Executive Committee Report

9.2. Vice President Internal

9.3. Vice President Academic

9.4. Vice President Health Sciences

9.5. Vice President External

9.6. Vice President Marketing and Events

9.7. Senator 1

9.8. Senator 2

9.9. Senator 3

10. Senate Report

11. Department Reports

- None

12. Other Business

12.1. HSGSA recommends UMGSA strike a continuing fee strategic working group. The executive will discuss the development of this committee and will invite participation from Council.

12.2 Bill 63 The Advanced Education Administration Amendment and Council on Post-Secondary Education Repeal Act

UMGSA is monitoring the amendments to this Act. We submitted a written response to the Standing Committee on Social and Economic Development for the May 26 meeting.

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Our recommendations were around the issues of government powers and accountability measures, university autonomy, student representation on the proposed Advisory Committee, and clarification on terminology and scope of changing from professional programs to specialized degree programs and the implications for fee increases.

13. Announcements

- None

14. Adjournment.

BIRT the May28, 2014 UMGSA Council Meeting be adjourned.

Mehdi Rahimian (*Education*) / Sebastien Kerherve (*Physics and Astronomy*)

Carried

Next Meeting is Wednesday, August 27, 2014 at 5pm in the UMGSA Lounge.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.

	<i>Name</i>	<i>Signature</i>
President	Laura Rempel	present
VP Internal	Valery Agbor	Regrets
VP Academic	Kristjan Mann	Regrets
VP External	Faizan Khan	Present
VP Marketing & Events	Beibei Lu	Present
VP Health Science	Melissa Rabb	Present
Exec-At-Large (Non-voting)	Currently Vacant	
Senator	Chido Uchime	Present
Senator	Diba Vafabakhsh	Present
Senator	Richard From	Present
Council Chairperson (Non-voting)	Laura Rempel	Present
Office Manager (Non-voting)	Ruth Prokesch	Present
Executive Assistant (Non-voting)	Trish Kelley	Her contract is done
<i>Agric & Food Science</i>		
Agribusiness & Agric. Economics	Jereme Keren Biney	Present
Animal Science	Kristine Blair Atta Kofi Ayekum	Proxy: Roseline Kahindi
Biosystems Engineering	Charles Nwaizu	Absent
Entomology	Andres Fabian Herrera	Present
Food Science	Xinyang (Sheyna) Sun	Present
Plant Science	Chami Amarasinghe	Present

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Soil Science	Nicholson Jeke	Absent
Architecture		
Architecture	Gordon Yiu	Absent
City Planning	Krista Rogness Proxy: Ryan Litovitch	Regrets Present LE5:55pm
Interior Design	Jaymie Borchardt	Present
Landscape Architecture	Britney Bell	Present LE5:55pm
Arts		
Anthropology	Anu Lotay	Present
Economics	Musah Khalid Urmee Dasgupta	Present
English, Film & Theatre	Kendra Magnus-Johnston Karalyn Dakurno	Present
History	Nicole Courier Danielle Dubois	Present AL 5:22pm
Linguistics	Anna Parenteau Kathleen Strader	Present LE 6:00pm
Native Studies	Ryan Duplassie	Present
Political Studies and Public Administration	Alexander Salt	Absent
Psychology	Yunqiao Wang Hayley Chartrand (co-councilors)	Present
Sociology	Daniel Levin Matthew Sanscartier	Present
Management		
Management – PhD and MSc	Ji Zhou	Present
Management – MBA	Amanda Gebhardt	Present
Education		
Education – PhD – Ad hoc	Mehdi Rahimian	Present
Engineering		
Civil Engineering	Sam Esfandianpour	Present
Electrical & Computer Engineering	Ahmad Byagowi (co-councilors) Dan Lockery	Present
Mechanical & Manufacturing Eng.	Vikram Banthia	Present
Environment, Earth & Resources		
Environment & Geography	Darcy McDougall	Present
Geological Sciences	Halya Petzold	Present

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Natural Resources Institute	Bridget Antze	Regrets
Graduate Studies		
Applied Health Sciences	Navjot Pachu Scott Kehler	Present
Biomedical Engineering	Mario Solis Nepote	Absent
Peace and Conflict Studies	Julie Hyde Saad Khan	Present
Kinesiology & Recreation Mgmt.		
Kinesiology & Recreation Mgmt.	Soyun Chapman	Proxy - Thyra Shaw
Human Ecology		
Family Social Sciences	Morgan Stirling	Absent
Human Nutritional Sciences	Mohammad Abdullah	Present
Nursing		
Nursing	Jill Norminton	Absent
Science		
Biological Sciences	Michael Gaudry	Present
Chemistry	Joey Lussier Proxy: Michael McDonald	Present
Microbiology	Mac Kohlmeier	Present
Physics & Astronomy	Sebastien Kerherve	Present
Statistics	Monsur Ahmed Chowdry	Absent
Social Work		
Social Work	Nabieu Musa Sesay	Absent
UMSU (Non-Voting)		
President or Designate	Christian Pierce	Absent
CUPE 3909 (Non-Voting)		
President or Designate	Ana Vialard Hart	Present
FGS Rep (Non-Voting)		
Dean or Designate	Jay Doering	Absent
Student Life (Non-Voting)		
	Cora Dupuis	Present
Guests		
ECE (with Dan Lockery)	Hamid Reza Nasrinpour	Present
Biochemistry & Medical Genetics	Yasamin Asbaghi	Present

Appendix A: UMGSA Internal Committees

Campaigns Committee

Chair			
Title	Name	E-mail	Phone Number
Vice President (External)	Faizan Khan	vpe@umgsa.org	204.474.9181
Ex-Officio Members			
Title	Name	E-mail	Phone Number
President	Laura Rempel	pres@umgsa.org	204.474.9181
Vice President (Academic)	Kristjan Mann	vpa@umgsa.org	204.474.9181
Vice President (Marketing & Events)	Beibei Lu	vpme@umgsa.org	204.474.9181
HSGSA Designate	Sahar Karimzadeh	vphsc@umgsa.org	204.480.1313
Senator	Chido Uchime	Senator1@umgsa.org	204.474.9181
Members			
Title	Name	E-mail	Phone Number
Council Member (required)	Karalyn Darkurno (English)		
Council Member (required)	Danielle Dubois (History)		
Graduate Student (required)	Joseph Dipple (Native Studies)		
Graduate Student (required)			
Graduate Student	Michael Gaudry (Biological Science)		
Graduate Student			

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Awards Committee

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Dean of FGS (or Designate)			
Members			
Title	Name	E-mail	Phone Number
Humanities Designate			
Social Science Designate	Anureet Lotay (Anthropology)		
Nat. and Ag. Science Designate	Andres Herrera (Etymology)		
Professional Studies Designate	Vikram Banthia (Mechanical & Mechanical Engineering)		
Graduate Student	Kabo Masisi (Food Science)		
Graduate Student	Navjot Pachu (Applied Health Sciences)		

Internal Development and Review Committee

Chair			
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President	Laura Rempel	pres@umgsa.org	204.474.9181
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Senator	Diba Vafabakhsh	Senator2@umgsa.org	204.474.9181
Executive at Large			
Members			
Title	Name	E-mail	Phone Number
Humanities Designate			
Social Science Designate	Darcy McDougall (Environment & Geography)		
Nat. and Ag. Science Designate	Joey Lussier (Chemistry)		
Professional Studies Designate			
Graduate Student			
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Bylaws and Policy Committee

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Members			
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Humanities Designate			
Social Science Designate			
Nat. and Ag. Science Designate	Halya Petzold (Geological Sciences)		
Professional Studies Designate	Ji Zhou (Management)		
Graduate Student	Julie Hyde & Saad Khan (Peace & Conflict Studies)		
Graduate Student	Peris Munyaka (Animal Sciences)		
Graduate Student	Lori Reimer (Plant Sciences)		

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Finance Committee

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Social Science Designate	Yunqiao Wang Hayley Chartrand (Psychology)		
Nat. and Ag. Science Designate	Sebastien Kerherve (Physics)		
Professional Studies Designate			
Graduate Student	Peris Munyaka (Animal Sciences)		
Graduate Student	Mac Kohlmeier (Microbiology)		
Graduate Student	Musah Khalid (Economics)		
Graduate Student	Jereme Biney (Agribusiness & Agri Economics)		

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Executive at Large			
Members			
Title	Name	E-mail	Phone Number
Graduate Student (Councillor)	Mohammad Abdullah (Human Nutritional Sciences)		
Graduate Student (Councillor)	Amanda Gebhardt (Management MBA)		
Graduate Student	Hamid Reza Nasrinpour (Electrical & Computer Engineering)		
Graduate Student	Sam Esfandianpour (Civil Engineering)		
Graduate Student (not on council)			
Graduate Student (not on council)			

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Elections Committee

Chair			
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Chief Returning Officer	TBD		
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Graduate Student (Councillor)			
Graduate Student	Peris Munyaka (Animal Sciences)		
Graduate Student			

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