

## MINUTES

<b>Meeting:</b>	Council Meeting	
<b>Chair:</b>	Executive-at-Large (Karalyn Dokurno)	
<b>Date:</b>	September 28 <sup>th</sup> 2016	
<b>Start Time:</b>	5:05pm	
<b>Location:</b>	GSA Lounge	
<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Actions</b>
Approval of Agenda	Animal Sciences/Education ad hoc	
Unanimous consent agenda	Psychology/ Bio-Medical Engineering	
Approval of Minutes	Education-ad hoc/Computer Sciences	
Introductions	Executives introduce themselves to new members	
Sponsorship opportunity with student life	<p>An effort to improve financial literacy for all students. The speaker is the author of a book called “Wealthening like Rabbits” talks about what is useful for young adults. They have ordered 250 versions of his book for students. There is a private event for indigenous students, but also an event in the atrium on October 13<sup>th</sup> gives students a starting point for financial literacy. No plan for the Bannatyne campus but a webcast is an option regardless of what happens today. The contribution tiers are 250 we would receive 15 copies and recognition 500 and GSA logo on promotional material and 15 copies.</p> <p>Motion to open discussion: GSA consider \$500 proposal-Philosophy/Geology</p> <p>Philosophy/ Education ad-hoc</p> <p>Everyone opposed no abstentions</p>	
CUPE 3909 Presentation	Introduction to the local union, representative will stick around to talk to people and answer questions after the meeting.	
New student orientation update	First time we coordinated with Student Life and FGS during orientation. 181 students participated. A number of students participated in GradSteps as well.	
Update on summer registration fee	<p>Still having an ongoing discussion, some feedback from the Vice Provost and Dean of FGS, we have reviewed the history of the Rec Centre. The only person who is listening to us is the Dean of FGS, however we will continue to push the agenda forward.</p> <p>A question as to where we are going from here since the administration seems unresponsive.</p> <p>Plan A is to try and do something about it and get a resolution, Plan B is to forget about it.</p> <p>Suggestion that we hold a survey and present it to the administration in hopes that is something that they will consider.</p> <p>UMSU is uninterested in participating in this campaign</p> <p>Do we have a number of how many people go to the gym in the summer?</p> <p>The only thing that binds the money we are paying is that it was voted on during the board of governors meeting. Counsel was given a chance to give their opinion but never had a chance to vote.</p>	
Financial Policy Manual be updated to include the following as Article IV.1.1	<p>Finance Committee has received applications for someone else on their behalf</p> <p>Linguistics seconds the motion</p> <p>No discussion</p>	

	Carried	
Financial Policy Manual be updated to include the following as Article IV.2	<p>People that go to a web conference will be treated as a conference in student's city of residence</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> by Natural Resource Institute</p> <p>Carried</p>	
Financial Policy Manual be updated to include the following as Article IV.3	<p>Special Project Grants</p> <p>Natural resource institute seconded</p>	
Executive Committee Report	<p>President: Had a fall term orientation on Sept 6 and 7, we had record participation and it was collaboration between FGS and student life. This was the first time we had volunteers. We spiced it up by offering specific sessions for students. All of the execs were engaged. We had an orientation social, most of it was positive, except for some people that had a problem finding venues for the orientation sections. We had a homecoming week and networking event. Met with the Minister of Education, optimistic about the meeting and the outcomes. We have been doing work on the Graduate Student Experience committee and addressing issues that affect graduate students. If you have any issues that affect your faculty come to us with them. We also participated in departmental orientations.</p>	
Finance Committee Report	<p>The state of our conference grants, we have a budget of \$161,000 and 4 months into the year we have spent over 50% of that funding. That could mean that if this continues we will not be able to support requests, we have to increase funding. When it gets to that point we may need to terminate conferences. We think that there will be less applications in the coming months however.</p>	
Bylaws and Policy Committee Report	<p>Looking at some of our bylaws and are tightening, we are bringing bylaws to the next meeting. If you see something in the manual that needs to be worked on please let us know. We are resolving and creating new policies that have been successfully passed.</p>	
Events Committee Report	<p>Not much besides the orientation that we had, thinking about doing a graduate student show from the UFM radio station. Next month is the Halloween social event.</p>	
Campaigns Committee Report	<p>Apart from summer registration, working on student housing because some of the houses in the university community are not up to code, there is a meeting set with a city councillor and will make recommendations based on that meeting.</p>	
Awards Committee	<p>Starting up again in October to plan the awards for next year to get them ready. The GSA awards luncheon is coming up this Friday, if councillors are interested in attending it starts at noon, good opportunity to network. Take names on a first come first served basis.</p>	
HSGSA	<p>Information for new councillors- Health Sciences comprises 14 departments. They had orientation and have been working on Bannatyne committee for graduate studies. All students accepted to the university will get \$3000 of funding and every department will receive a certain amount of money in addition to conference grants. They are doing a grad student mistreatment survey to see how grad students are treated.</p>	
Dept reports	<p>The philosophy student association and the ethics student association does a pub night every Wednesday of the month, first Wednesday they have a special topic at a pub on river just east of Osborne.</p>	
Announcements	<p>Chief Returning Officer is needed, if interested send an email to Enoch, do not need to be a councillor to do this, so if you know anybody willing to do this let us know.</p> <p>Councillor nomination forms needed.</p>	

	<p>Dept Grant forms are needed and due in December, you need to turn these in for your department to get funding.</p> <p>You need to sit on an internal committee for your department to get its grant.</p> <p>New councillor orientation will be October 26<sup>th</sup> in this room. If you are a new councillor this will let you know what to expect. Please RSVP</p>	

Minutes by: Danielle Filecia

Meeting adjourned: Education ad hoc/Bio Med Engineering 6:10 PM

Next meeting: October 26<sup>th</sup>

### GSA Council Meeting Attendance

September 28, 2016

<i>Position/Department</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Signature</i>
President	Enoch A-iyeh	Present
VP Internal	Ben Akoh	Present
VP Academic	Kathryn Marcynuk	Present
VP External	Albert Boakye	Present
VP Marketing & Events	Md (Wali) Waliullah	Present
VP Health Science	Chukwunonso (Nonso) Onyilagha	Present
Senator1	Md (Emrul) Hasan	Present
Senator2	Md (Monjurul) Khan	Present
Senator3	Hadeesha Piyadasa	<b>LOA until October</b>
Chairperson/Exec at Large	Karalyn Dokurno	Present
Office Manager (No Vote)	Ruth Prokesch	Present
Office Assistant (No Vote)	Danielle Filecia (Minute Taker)	Present
<b><i>Agric &amp; Food Science</i></b>		
Agribusiness & Agric. Economics	Tao Wang (Co-Councilors) Tijani Bio Abdul-Salam	<b>Both Absent</b>
Animal Science	Yue (Yvette) Shang (Co-Councilors) Deepak Ettungalpadi Velayud	Yvette Present
Biosystems Engineering	Ikra Iftekhar Shuvo	Present
Entomology	Thais F Silva Guimeraes	<b>Absent</b>
Food Science	Yuwei Song	<b>Absent</b>
Human Nutritional Sciences	Ifeanyi Nwachukwu (Co-Councilors) Tara Loader	Ifeanyi Present
Plant Science	Anjan Neupane	Present 5:48pm LE
Soil Science	Fernanda Pereira	Present
<b><i>Architecture</i></b>		

Architecture	Julia DeFelice	Present
City Planning	Andrew Gellner (Co-Councilors) Sonikile Tembo	Andrew Present
Interior Design	Christine Stochl	Present
Landscape Architecture	Connor Redman	Present
<b>Arts</b>		
Anthropology	Gerhard Jordaan	<b>Absent</b>
Economics	Oluwafemi Bamikole (Co-Councilors) Hubert Scarlett	<b>Regrets</b>
English, Film & Theatre	Sabrina Mark (Co-Councilors) Grace Paizen	Sabrina Present
Linguistics	Irina Volchok	Present 5:22pm AL
Philosophy	Carl Neumann	Present
Political Studies & Public Admin.	Ethan Cabel	<b>Absent</b>
Psychology	Kristene Cheung (Co-Councilors) Karmen McDivitt	Karmen Present
Sociology	Abdul-Bari Abdul-Karim	Present
<b>Management</b>		
Management – PhD and MSc	Ji Zhou	<b>Absent</b>
Management – MBA	Adeoye Babatunde (Co-Councilors) Han Kang	Both Present
<b>Education</b>		
Education – PhD – Ad hoc	Mehdi Rahimian	Present
<b>Engineering</b>		
Civil Engineering	Sam Esfandianpour (Co-Councilors) Mahmud Amin	<b>Absent</b>
Electrical & Computer Engineering	Hamid Reza Nasrinpour (Co-Councilors) Ehsan Tahmasabian	<b>Regrets</b> Nozhan Bayat <b>Hamid Sent Proxy:</b>
Mechanical & Manufacturing Eng.	Ehsan Alishahi	Present 6:05pm LE
<b>Environment, Earth &amp; Resources</b>		
Environment & Geography	Skye Kushner	Present
Geological Sciences	Cody Ross	Present
Natural Resources Institute	Anderson Assuah (Co-Councilors) Rajib Biswal	Rajib Present
<b>Graduate Studies</b>		
Applied Health Sciences	Navjot Pachu (Co-Councilors) Scott Kehler	<b>Both Absent</b>
Biomedical Engineering	Ahmed Elwali	Present
Peace and Conflict Studies	Bonface Beti	Present
<b>Kinesiology &amp; Recreation Mgmt.</b>		

Kinesiology & Recreation Mgmt.	Ilana Naiman	Present
<b>Nursing</b>		
Nursing	Hemaxi Patel	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Science</b>		
Biological Sciences	Elise Couillard	Present
Computer Science	Md Momin Al Aziz (Co-Councilors) Md S. R. Mahdi	Momin Present
Microbiology	Mac Kohlmeier	Present
Physics & Astronomy	Jaseer Ahmed	Present
<b>UMSU (Non-Voting)</b>		
President or Designate		<b>Absent</b>
<b>CUPE 3909 (Non-Voting)</b>		
President or Designate	Jen Black	Present She did a CUPE 3909 intro presentation
<b>FGS Rep (Non-Voting)</b>		
Dean or Designate	Dr. Todd Mondor	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Student Life (Non-Voting)</b>		
Office of Student Life	Cora Dupuis	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Guests</b>		
Kevin Oliver	Student Life	Presented Sponsorship Proposal
		<b>LE 5:25pm</b>
Catherine Draper	Education - Admin, Fndatns & Psychol	Possibly joining GSA Council