

MINUTES

Meeting:	UMGSA Council Meeting
Chair:	Executive-at-Large (Karalyn Dokurno)
Date:	October 26, 2016
Start Time:	5:00 PM
Location:	UMGSA Lounge 217 University Centre
Guests:	Todd Mondor

Agenda Item	Discussion	Actions
Agenda approved	Geological sciences/Education Amended- Todd Mondor here to talk about the UMFA strike	
Unanimous consent agenda omnibus	Natural Resources Institute/ Engineering	
Todd Mondor	Here to discuss the potential of an UMFA strike and how that may affect graduate students. FAQs for grad students available online. Registrar is compiling a list of classes taught by non UMFA members. Also a list of people who are in UMFA and not striking. There will also be information on what to do when the strike is open. Once there is an end to the strike the faculty senate will vote on what to do. If you are looking at finishing and you can't they will look at the fairness of making students pay a fee that they would not otherwise have to pay. Most labs will stay open. Professors will not have email access disrupted and can still use their grants. There is a committee looking into how to continue things during strike. Defense and candidacy exam can only proceed if every member of your committee is in attendance. If you feel that you are having a problem, get in touch with an associate Deans and let them know. Strike date of November 1 st . For people in joint programs, the courses taught at U of W will continue as expected. Keep checking the website for information. UMGSA will pass on information as it becomes available	
Minutes approved	Biological Science/Animal Science	
Discussion of Summer Registration Fee	Decided to table the issue to discuss it after the VPE had more conversations, so we will resume discussions now. Met with Dean of FGS and they had an extensive discussion, he said there is no way that they are going to waive the fee for any student. His advice was to partner with UMSU, UMSU is trying to opt out for students in the coop programs. Campaign committee decided to bring it back to council to see what council wants to do. Request for anyone on council to make a motion about pursuing a solution to summer registration fees. No motion put forward. Campaigns committee is ready to take any recommendations from council. Motion for campaigns committee to tackle the issue of what can possibly be done about summer registration fee- seconded by Management. Campaign committee has taken all available steps. GSA council mandates campaigns committee to consider the possibilities of tackling the summer registration issue. 4 opposed, motion is carried and campaigns committee will report back at next meeting.	
Momin Al Aziz as Chief Returning Officer	Motions from elections committee seconded by Linguistics. Discussion: Candidate will closely follow the Bylaws and rules for election to maintain fairness but has not read any past reports. Motion passes.	
Amendment to Bylaws: Students are to provide proof of exchange rates from the Bank of Canada	Human Sciences Motion is passed	

Amendment to Bylaws: Students are required to provide translations of foreign language receipts	Seconded by Anthropology. Wondering if there will be reimbursements for translations. Official amendment to the motion that students are required to provide summary translation citing the category or purpose of foreign language receipt. Secunder of the amendment – Anthropology. Everyone in favour of the Amendment students required to provide a summer in English indicating the language of foreign relations receipts.	
Every position allocated same budget for campaigning.	Seconded by sociology. Motion is carried	
All positions receive a budget of \$50	City Planning. Issues raised as whether it is enough money and whether it is fair to pay the same to an individual as it is to a whole group. Motion carried one opposed two abstentions	
Executive Committee Report	Work on the childcare project. Meeting with administration on updates on the strike negotiations. Working with FGS on FAQs. Budget model redesign committee and negotiations on fee hikes	
Finance Committee Report	If you don't have dept grant app get it in by November 1 st . Welcome Education faculty onto the committee	
Bylaws and Policy Committee Report	Emergency funds for students that have emergencies. For purposes of transparency want the process to be open. How this will work and how this will be useful for students. Had a meeting with someone for financial aids and awards to see how they have an emergency fund set up.	
Events Committee Report	We have talked about the event that is happening tomorrow, we have a Halloween social in this room, have a DJ and magician. Looking at the participants in the last social we thought about expanding into a bigger room but chose not to this year and tomorrows turnout will help us decide for next time	
Campaigns Committee Report	Apart from summer reg also trying to address issues of student housing want to make recommendations to apartments around the university community find out how GSA can be apart of collaboration, city councillor trying to make recs to mgt agencies as far as getting grad students accommodations.	
Awards Committee	We have some new committee members, will meet in November	
HSGSA	New IDRC chair and new CRO, been busy for planning for Canadian student research program, want to use CMHR venue for a mixer. Invited by a company of Winnipeg to use their facility- a company that helps you invent new ideas	
New Councilor Orientation	Happened today and attendance was great	
Councilor Nomination Forms	Due whenever you become a new councilor	
Departmental Grant Forms	Due November 1 st at 4pm	
Internal Committee Membership	Please let us know about committees	
Halloween Social	Must bring government issued photo id also HSGSA Halloween social on Friday	
UMGSA Council meeting be adjourned		

Minutes by: Danielle Filecia
Meeting adjourned: computer science/ education 6:24PM
Next meeting: November 23rd, 2016