

GSA COUNCIL – E Minutes

*Carleton University Graduate Students' Association, Ottawa, Ontario
Senate Chambers, 5:00 pm, Friday, 2 December 2011*

CALL TO ORDER – 5:00 pm, Friday, 2 December 2011

Chair: Jessica Squires

Recording Secretary: Rong Rose Liu

Council Members Present

- Kelly Black (VP Operations)
- Elizabeth Whyte (President)
- Nick Falvo (VP Finance)
- Holly Gilroy (VP Academic)
- Phil Robinson (GSA)
- Kim Wucher (GSA)
- Naeim Karimi (Journalism)
- Colin Cordner (Political Science)
- Graeme Turner (Math and Stats/Senate/Graduate Faculty Board)
- Nick Bourgeois (Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering)
- William Knisely (Electronics)
- Darren Pacione (Legal Studies)
- Anna Goldfinch (Public Policy and Administration)
- Alanna Cates (Legal Studies)
- Josh Hochman (Music and Culture)
- Peter Holdsworth (History)
- Emma Hazan (Social Work)
- Alanna Blackie (Philosophy)
- Vladlena Mitskaniovk (Communications)
- Karl Wasslen (Chemistry)
- Talie Shalmon (Industrial Design)
- Mohammadreza Ataei Naeini (Systems and Computer Engineering)
- Lisa Neville (Earth Science)
- Stephen Crane (Earth Science)
- Ryan Zanatta (Geography)
- Shah Owlia (Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering)
- Daniel Baker (NPSIA)
- Laura Kurkimaki (Political Management)
- Brynne Sinclair-Waters (Political Economy)
- Cristina Muenlberger (Political Economy)
- Chloë Graee Fogarty-Bauget (ALDS)
- Danielle Lorenz (Canadian Studies)
- Tabatha Armstrong (Canadian Studies)
- James Meades (CUPE 4600)
- Mat Nelson (CUPE 4600)

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- Brittany Milton (Math and Statistics)
- David Billedeau (GRC)
- Chris Rudyk (Neuroscience)
- Julia Berliant (Psychology)
- Emma Lind (ICSLAC/GFB)
- Jean-Daniel Medjo M.B. (System and Computer Engineering)
- Jan Nitoslowski (NPSIA)
- Andrew Connolly (English)

1. INTRODUCTION OF CHAIR

- a. Announcement of Proxies

None

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by: Darren Pacione (Law)

Seconded by: Colin Cordner (Political Science)

CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

- a. E-minutes from 18 November 2011

Moved by: Kelly Black (VP Operations)

Seconded by: Alanna Blackie (Philosophy)

CARRIED

- b. Minutes from 18 November 2011

Moved by: Shah Owlia (Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering)

Seconded by: Peter Holdsworth (History)

Motion to Amend

Moved by: Peter Holdsworth (History). *Holdsworth submitted a written amendment of his statement in the minutes of November 18, 2011. Holdsworth is content with the essence of the minutes as originally recorded. The proposed amendment is to clarify his intent.*

Seconded by: Naeim Karimi (Journalism)

CARRIED

Minutes as amended CARRIED

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Following the meeting there will be a councillor appreciation event at Mike's Place. Join fellow GSA members for snacks (including several new menu items!) and a free drink of your choice.
- The GSA Office/Lounge and Mike's Place will be closed from December 17th until January 3rd for the holiday break.
- Tuesday, December 6th is the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women. There will be a vigil from 12pm – 1:30pm in the Tory Quad. Please attend and take the time to let your members know about this event through departmental listservs and word-of-mouth.

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- GSA VP External Austin Miller has tendered his resignation to the GSA Executive and Board of Directors, citing personal reasons and academic constraints. We wish Austin luck with his many projects.

5. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

- a. President (Elizabeth Whyte)
- b. VP Operations (Kelly Black)
- c. VP External
- d. VP Finance (Nick Falvo)
- e. VP Academic (Holly Gilroy)
- f. Questions

6. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

7. OTHER REPORTS

- a. Senate & Senate Committees
- b. Board of Governors Representatives (BoG)
- c. Graduate Residence Caucus (GRC)
- d. Carleton University Students' Association (CUSA)
- e. Rideau River Residence Association (RRRA)
- f. Graduate Faculty Board (GFB)
- g. Carleton Post-doctoral Association (CUPA)
- h. Canadian Union of Public Employees 4600 (CUPE 4600)
- i. Questions

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Motion 2.12.2011-1: Motion on the Carleton University “Mandate Review” Working Group.**
Moved: Colin Cordner (Political Science)
Seconded: Holly Gilroy (VP Academic)

Whereas the Government of Ontario has indicated its intentions to enter into individual agreements with post-secondary institutions and its intention to 'differentiate' Ontario's post-secondary education sector, and;

Whereas differentiation includes further focusing the mandates of individual universities in terms of research versus teaching, undergraduate versus graduate education, international versus domestic enrolment, and other axis of differentiation including levels and sources of funding, and;

Whereas the senior management at Carleton University has created the Mandate Working Group to develop a new mandate for Carleton University, and;

Whereas the Mandate Working Group is comprised solely of senior management and reports to senior management, and;

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Whereas students, faculty and staff will be directly affected by any change in Carleton University's mandate, and;

Whereas the Senate is the highest decision making body responsible for academic issues at Carleton University, therefore;

BIRT the GSA advocate for the inclusion of students, faculty and staff on the Mandate Working Group.

BIFRT the GSA and GSA representatives on Senate advocate that the Mandate Working Group become a sub-committee of Senate that reports directly to Senate.

Amendment: Be it resolved that the GSA executive solicits CUSA's formal support on this initiative.

Moved by: Naeim Karimi (Journalism)

Seconded by: Vladlena Mitskaniovk (Communications)

Amendment Withdrawn

CARRIED

9. OTHER BUSINESS

Moved by: Graeme Turner (Math and Stats/Senate/GFB)

Seconded by: Mohammadreza Ataei Naeini (Systems and Computer Engineering)

CARRIED