



Graduate Students' Association
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Local 110 of the Canadian Federation of Students
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Agenda / Ordre du jour

Joint Council Meeting / Première réunion du comité a'joindre
Wednesday, February 28th, 2018 at 12:00 PM / mercredi le 28 février 2018 à 12 h
Graduate Students Association

- 1) **Verification of Quorum / Vérification du quorum**
5 attendees:
 - Amber – President
 - Yasser – GSA executive
 - Pooja – Program rep
 - Ryan – GSA gender rep
 - Mia – Vice President
- 2) **Adoption of the Agenda / Adoption de l'ordre du jour**
Amended to add spring fling, Yasser second Ryan
Mia adopted – Pooja second
- 3) **Office Updates**
 - Executive Director
 - Lora Wahamaa
 - Scotia Bank (Signatures and Transactions) Update
 - Updated with new Executive Director
 - Green Shield Opt-in period
 - Green shield is coming in March.
 - Business Cards (ongoing)
 - Miss information, are they GSA jurisdiction or Grad studies.
 - Amber will be meeting with Alex Friedman to resolve the issue.
 - Yasser suggests Dean of graduates to resolve.
 - motion: Yasser, second Ryan/Mia
- 4) **VP of Research – Dr. Wang**
 - a) How and in what capacity can we increase the GSAs role in planning within research?
 - b) Making research come first.
 - i) Where is the money, graduate students need to work.
 - ii) What do Graduate students need to make research come first.
 - c) Increasing experiential learning and incorporating this into grad life.
 - d) Getting our members to become international students in other nations through opportunities and partnerships.
 - i) When have the offered this opportunity?
 - ii) This needs to be available and have housing and accommodations when the student goes or comes abroad.



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- iii) What kind of support/guidelines will there be for students?
- iv) Institution owning houses for students to rent while abroad.
- e) **Notes:**
 - i) Wanted GSA to run 3 min thesis, were never contacted.
 - ii) No one has reached out to the GSA.
 - iii) Specific portal for Graduate students, glossary/call list. Easier to share information or to find others. Interacting with others on campus.
 - iv) Appreciate/Incentives for research: This will be something to look into.
 - v) What is Dr Wang's acceptations of the GSA?: What do they want from the members or the association?
 - (1) They aren't including the GSA in research week.
 - vi) Laurentian free Microsoft Office
- f) Motion: Mia, Second: Ryan
- 5) **AGM**
 - a) **When, where, who?**
 - i) Entertainment
 - (1) Get a comedian, stand-up/roast (Bill Saunder)
 - (2) GSA member, faculty and admin getting roasted.
 - ii) Location
 - (1) Fraser
 - (2) ELC or round room.
 - (3) Graduate lounge
 - iii) Items
 - b) **Notes:**
 - i) Don't want to mix an informal event with a formal AGM meeting.
 - ii) Have entertainment after the AGM is over.
 - iii) We must reach Quorum
 - iv) AGM is an important meeting.
 - v) Door prize/Basket to incentives people to remain for the meeting. Or gift cards throughout the AGM.
 - vi) Online voting, not proxy.
 - vii) Hiring Old Rock to serve coffee and pastries all meeting.
 - viii) Coffee with the president (Zundel), in graduate club. Gets students mingling and talking with the president.
 - (1) How many people want to meet with Zundel, countered who would turn down coffee.
 - ix) **DATE and TIME:**
 - (1) Must announce elections on April 1st, maybe make it around the same time. Last week of March!
 - c) Motion: Ryan, second: Amber

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6) Spring Fling

- a) On or off campus?
- b) Save the money for orientation week?
- c) Downtown is the most accessible
- d) Should focus more on AGM
- e) Removing spring fling:
 - i) Ryan, Mia, Yasser, Pooja
- f) Motion: Mia, Yasser, Pooja, Second: Ryan

7) Joint Council Meetings

- Schedule
- Similar to senate, make an actual time and date every month.
- Can plan ahead of time.

8) Other items

-N/A

9) Next Executive Council Meeting/ Prochaine rencontre executive

- Standard date, time and location.
- Before the AGM

10) Adjournment / Levée de la reunion

- a) Motion : Yasser, Second : Pooja

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