

## **AGENDA**

Society of Graduate and Professional Students' Council  
Local 27 of the Canadian Federation of Students  
Tuesday, May 11<sup>th</sup> 2010, 5:30pm

### **Room 241, JDUC**

#### **1. Presentations**

TAFAs- Tim McIntyre- Hi, my name is Tim and I'm a PhD in the English department. I will be talking about the close vote process and then about the interim process and the bargaining committee. After the vote we set up the first general meeting for our members. We had Gaby Levesque come out from PSAC (Public Service Alliance of Canada) who spoke about other collective agreements and in general the negotiations that will go in the future months. The minutes from the general meeting are online if you are interested at [qtafa.com](http://qtafa.com). We encourage you to take a look at them. At the meeting, we elected a bargaining committee which is comprised of over 16 people. We also set up an interim Executive which is comprised of over 15 people because we are organizing an upcoming vote and elections in the coming months. Thanks.

Maryanne Laurico- Hi. I am also a PhD in English. The interim Executive has met. We are drafting bylaws and will present them in the fall when the real Executive is elected by the membership. There is a RANT campaign right now. We have to continue to sign union cards, legally. If you have not yet signed a union card, everyone is now in the union. If you don't sign a card, you still have to pay dues, but not until the first collective agreement is ratified. The only difference between someone who has signed a union card and someone who has not is voting rights, you still have to pay dues and you are still apart of the union. If you have questions, contact [queens.tafa@gmail.com](mailto:queens.tafa@gmail.com). We are trying to build a strong local right now and we would appreciate if people would sell this to their departments

Dave Thompson- Hello, a number of you may recognize me. I'm the past VP and I'm a PhD in History. I am a member of the collective bargaining committee. We met for the first time last night where we struck up several subcommittees. The first is to consolidate our negotiations. We will be using the past SGPS graduate survey, which you can access online in the minutes. That one had a large turn-out, about 12% of the membership. We are hoping to have a better turn out with a smaller survey to identify the key bargaining priorities. We must inform about the upcoming elections and votes as well as about signing cards. There will be a possible website set up now where union members will be able to post different collective bargaining priorities that they deem important. All bets are off as to when we will have a collective bargaining but we will be meeting with Gaby

Levesque soon to negotiate again. Again, if you want to contact us, do so at our e-mail, mentioned before. One final note, we will be working closely with the current SGPS president and Executive so that we work together as joint bodies that have a shared membership and so that the major issues within the SGPS remain firmly in tact (health, dental). We want to make clear that there is no poaching of these integral and important issues. Questions?

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- If you have already signed a card, you don't need to sign again?

Dave Thompson- Correct, if you have already signed, you don't need to do so again. This is a political requirement, and it is also for people who haven't signed yet and want to participate within the process.

## **2. Adoption of Agenda and Minutes**

**MOTION** **05/11/10: Change spelling errors in minutes** Moved \_\_\_\_\_Jawad Qureshy\_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_\_Jillian Burford-Grinnell\_\_\_\_\_ BIRT to correct the type-o of Daniel Moore's name in the minutes from David and to correct the type-o in Shaughnessy Hawkins' name in the agenda

*Carried*

**MOTION** **05/11/10: Change order of Motions**  
Moved \_\_\_\_\_Jawad Qureshy\_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_\_Anne- Marie\_\_\_\_ BIRT MOTION  
05/11/10:6 be considered before MOTION 05/11/10: 5

*Carried*

**MOTION**  
**05/11/10:1**  
Moved \_\_\_\_\_Mia Golder\_ \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_Jess Hickey\_\_\_\_\_ BIRT the agenda for May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010 be adopted.

*Carried*

**MOTION**  
**05/11/10:2**  
Moved \_\_\_\_\_Heather Gainforth\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_Mia Golder\_\_\_\_\_ BIRT the minutes for the April Council Meeting be accepted.

*Carried*

### **3. Executive and Speaker Reports**

a) President – Jawad Qureshy (report attached)

Five things: First, I am excited to introduce a new Equity and Social team. We will also move the Social team to streamline their ideas. As for the academic plan, there has been some confusion with the budget link. One is handled at senate while the other is taken care of at the board of trustees. I am going to forward an e-mail to the faculties so that they can forward this to the departments. The 30<sup>th</sup> was my first time as your representative at the board of trustees and it did not go over as well as anticipated. I stressed the importance of having representation on the committee but this was not well received. The framework agreement that has been signed, I will save this until the motion. We have just received assurance that the room next door, the one with the comfy chairs will be turned into a graduate lounge. We will discuss the framework agreement in a bit.

Jerome James- What room is that?

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- It is currently an undergraduate and graduate lounge, but now it will be turned into a Graduate lounge.

Heath Gainforth- What the board of trustees will affect the senate, right? So what is your message as to what you want to say about what will directly affect the students?

Jawad Qureshy- I don't want to make this distinction, I just want to clarify the relationship. We all spoke about the student unease around the planning process for the University, but we also spoke about the process of compiling the responses. What this means for the academic line for the planning process is another thing and I think that we haven't had a lot of access for student response. Instead of attacking everything through senate and from the academic plan, we will have a more slow process. We need a cohesive and inclusive plan and I don't think that we have had enough opportunity to do so.

b) VP Graduate – Daniel Moore (report attached)

Two meetings yesterday: the Executive met with the SGS. Janice Deakin will be leaving as of August 1st, she will be going to Western. The University has yet to find a replacement. The associate will be taking over in the interim, but we hope to be included in the process of choosing her replacement, but I don't think that the University has decided how they want to do this. Travel awards- they want to give it one more year to decide how effective it is, right now, the University is open to input on how well it works. We have put in some suggestions. Some departments are not advertising about where to get the form to apply for a conference travel award. My concern is how many students

are applying this year. Hopefully departments are putting them up, but departments should be putting them up on the website or making them available.

The SGS has lifted the ban on CTAs for year 5 PhDs. In August they will have data about how many awards were issued, and size, etc. I think that the issue is how many awards are going out and if the size of awards can be increased.

The school is considering RAs to be T4 or T4 available for funding. Right now we are twice removed from the discussions. The problem right now is that we don't know why the University desires to make this an option, we just want to be on the table.

At the GSCC, Deakin remarked about travel awards but only 70 will be awarded to international students. Originally Deakin discussed lowering the awards, but she noted the further increase the gap between funding and tuition. If we raise our tuition, then the gap increases, Deakin remained at 4%. Hopefully they will maintain no more changes.

Did everyone get the TA committee questionnaire? TAFE was interested in how many departments actually get TAs to sign contracts. The questionnaire was simply to gauge how accurate this allegation was. Once the union sets a request to bargain, the University will not be suggesting to make any changes until we see the outcome of this.

As for the Grad lounge, some students don't have their own offices, only shared offices. We could advertise this as an alternative place for TAs to meet their students and chat. This is how I will advertise it.

c) VP Professional – Shaughnessy Hawkins (no report)

d) VP Campaigns and Community Affairs – Anne-Marie Grondin (report attached)

Carolyn Krauss is the new equity commissioner as well as Dana is not here, but most should know her as the Aboriginal representative on Council. Members of the senate pledged the support for the survey- to discuss data analyses and find out about the findings, before we implement the survey. The University will be addressing aboriginal Council and its function. This will be led with consultation with student, staff and community. We are looking for members to sit on the committees for sustainability. I encourage you to advertise this with your constituencies.

e) VP Finance and Services – Jillian Burford-Grinnell (report attached)

We will now, or will have a graduate lounge next year. We are still looking for more space for the SGPS. That's where things stand for space requests. And I didn't say it in my report, like I should have, I hope everyone has a fantastic summer.

f) Speaker – Michael Bravo (report attached)

Nothing to add.

**MOTION****05/11/10:3**

Moved \_\_Sarah\_\_ Waurechen\_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Jess Hickey\_\_\_\_\_ BIRT  
Executive and Speaker reports be accepted.

*Carried*

ii) Equity Coordinator – Lara Szabo Greisman (report attached)- I have submitted a report on the equity committee. I have written the report in which everyone edited. The representatives include people from QGSA, QCRED, QMSA, International student rep, equity coordinator and equity commissionaire., etc. This is not an exclusive list. I hope that people familiarize themselves with the equity mandate and direct any questions or comments to the equity commissioner, etc or Anne-Marie. This will be submitted for approval.

**4. Committee, Commissioner, Senator, B of T and Other Reports**

a) Graduate Student Senator – Andrew Stevens (report attached)

SORC ended with a let down. There were a number of issues with the EESS... this was stalled, when we finally got back to the drawing board, we decided to drop some principles on how we wish to re-structure the senate. We went back to the very beginning and ended basically where we started and with 0 resolutions really in regards to our own membership. This will be my last senate meeting next month. We shouldn't let this go. It turns out that the Con-Ed students are registered until year 5 as undergrad students and this is something we need to bring up. Regarding the academic planning process and virtualization, etc, things that are on the *where next* planning note, I think that people must be put in communication with their deans, I think that Arts and Sciences made an important first step in engaging students and departments in this process. I want to emphasize how important it is that we have someone on SORC and that someone is voted in in September.

b) Board of Trustees – Alfonso Nocilla (no report)

c) Committee Reports

d) Commissioner Reports

i) Social Commissioner – Diala Habib (no report)

ii) Communications Commissioner – Sean Richards (report attached)

Nothing to add.

iii) Equity Commissioner: Sophia Virani (report attached)

e) Other Reports

i) Committee Coordinator – Laura Gale (no report)

ii) Equity Coordinator – Lara Szabo Greisman (report attached)- SEE ABOVE

iii) International Students Coordinator – Aasma Khan (no report)

iv) Sustainability Coordinator – Ivana Zelenika (report attached)

v) Education Students' Coordinator – Alessandro La Gomba (no report)

vi) Rector – Leora Jackson (no report)

- vii) Chief Returning Officer – Aniss Amdiss (no report)
- viii) Departmental Reports

**MOTION**

**05/11/10: iii-M1**

Moved \_\_\_Anne- Marie Grondin\_\_\_/ \_\_\_Jillian Burford-Grinell\_\_\_ BIRT Council strike the Equity Commisioner’s report due to inaccuracies.

*Carried*

**MOTION**

**05/11/10:4**

Moved \_\_\_Jess Hickey\_\_\_ / \_\_\_Heather Gainforth\_\_\_ BIRT Senator/Board of Trustees/Commissioner/ Coordinator / Committee, and Other reports be accepted.

*Carried*

**5. Question Period/Departmental Issues**

**6. Business Arising from the Minutes**

**7. Main Motions**

**MOTION**

**05/11/10:6**

Whereas a letter has been included in the appendix to Councillors' package expressing the Executive's response at this time to the agreement signed by the University and the AMS regarding the future governance of the Queen's Centre and the JDUC;

Whereas this letter accurately reflects Council's opinion on this matter;  
Moved \_\_\_Daniel\_Moore\_\_\_ / \_\_\_Jillian Burford-Grinnell\_\_\_ BIRT Council endorses this letter by including the signature of each Councillor present in an appendix to this letter;  
BIRFT Council charges the President to mail this letter to Principal Woolf with Council's signatures appended.

**MOTION**

**05/11/10: 6-M1**

Moved \_\_\_Daniel Moore\_\_\_/ \_\_\_Mia Golder\_\_\_ BIRT MOTION  
05/11/10:6 will now read: Whereas a letter has been included in the appendix to Councillors' package expressing the Executive's response at this time to the agreement signed by the University and the AMS regarding the future governance of the Queen's Centre and the JDUC;

Daniel Moore- I would like to hear Council’s opinion on what we want- Strike everything up until to the BIRFT.

*Carried*

Daniel Moore- Motivating for Jawad's letter. It went through a couple of drafts. The initial seething-ness was toned down. The President had feedback from the strategic planning process to temper the language so that we wouldn't have to deal with it later. I would open up the floor about anyone wants to talk about the letter.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- We just made a motion to charge the President to charge this letter to send to President Woolf.

Michael Bravo- We passed the amendment and not the motion.

Jawad Qureshy- It doesn't just help for us to send it off, I think it is important for us to say that we should endorse this.

Heather Gainforth- Point of clarification.

Sean Richards- the whereas clause has been eliminated.

**MOTION**

**05/11/10: 6-M2**

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Jillian Burford-Grinnell \_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_\_ Jawad Qureshy \_\_BIRT this letter accurately reflects Council's opinion on this matter; endorses this letter by including the signature of each Councillor present in an appendix to this letter

*Carried*

Jawad Qureshy- I think that some background information would be helpful. The agreement has been signed with the AMS and the University. It gives over the management to the AMS. Many members said that they did not know of this before it happened. Despite having a seat on the Executive, we had no idea that this was happening. I found out on facebook. The outgoing AMS president was posting this. I confirmed this with the Principal's office and I received multiple phone calls and apologies. I ignored all of them. I said my peace, I was somewhat calm but I had strong words to say at the meeting. I received a public apology, from Caroline Davis.

The JDUC is a symbolic building, commemorating students who died in the Second World War. This is a symbolic slap in the face. We did not vote for the Queen's centre, but there was never any discussion about the JDUC. This letter speaks about the process more than the debate itself. I want to make sure that the letter reflects about how Council would like us to response. There are various ways for us to interpret an agreement such as this and I would like to know about how we would like to respond.

Joe Steele- I still find the letter hyperbolic and too passionate. It was surprising about the degree of outrage. That is just my personal opinion, not knowing anything about this.

Jawad Qureshy- You can propose an amendment if you want to take certain things out.

Joe Steele- No, thanks.

Sarah Waurechen- I think that part of what would help, is taking out the P.S. and putting it into the main section. This might help the general tone. I am proposing a discussion of the letter instead of an amended at every step.

Daniel Moore- It looks like the P.S. could be put as another paragraph. Janice Deakin put it, "eloquently outraged" about Jawad's letter. I think that there is a degree of acceptance of this tone and outrage.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- did everyone get a chance to read the framework agreement?

Michael Bravo- Would you like me to read it out?

Sean Richards- It is too long.

Daniel Moore- Can you elaborate on how it can this can be interpreted?

Jawad Qureshy- It could be considered a mere oversight, or a direct way to get us out of the negotiations. I don't think that this is a mere oversight, which is what many people have told us. Other people have said that this is simply a framework agreement, but this shows an actual intent that they actually wanted to leave the SGPS out intentionally. I think that we have to put people on the spot as to why the SGPS out, what gives them a right to exclude. We are taken seriously by our membership (4000 students), why are they not taking us seriously? There is nothing stopping me from writing a letter to the Principal for these questions, but I think that this is a Council and membership issue. This has to be something that we discuss because this is punitive. This takes away our governance rights to this building. They have no right to take us out of the governance, simply because they have a capital project elsewhere that the AMS supports. I think that we must call them out in the process, before September. That is why there is outrage; you should have seen the first draft.

**MOTION**

**05/11/10:6-M3**

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Andrew Stevens \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Joe Steele \_\_\_\_\_ BIRT Council **strikes:**

"Our membership employs the SGPS in order to procure essential services, not to play at Machiavellian politics over tables and chairs"

"Queen's students deserve better - infinitely better." And **Replace** with : "Queen's Grad students deserve better!"

**Strike:**

"At the very least, we need people who are committed to treating Queen's students with a modicum of decency that is not subject to administrative convenience."

"At the moment, apart from immediate behavioural and procedural change from many members within the Queen's administration, we expect an un-spun and jargon-free response to the following questions" **Replace with:** "We would appreciate a response to our questions"

**Incorporate:** The P.S. into the body of the text

Jawad Qureshy- I like some of the sentences, but you have to leave the Machiavellian quote. I think that some of the points are good, but I think that voting as people have ideas, and then have a consolidated motion to amend. I just wanted to change the jargon change. I think Sarah's idea to moving the P.S. up and move it up is a good one. The modicum of decency bit, I say this because we have been negotiating the space issue with the same people who gave up our governance from the JDUC. It is personal and not personal. That is why it is in there. I think that the reason I want to leave the Machiavellian bit in is because I think that there has been a divide between the students and pressure on dividing the AMS and SGPS. I think that this has to be reflected in the letter. I think that this should be left in, and discuss this further. The reason I think that came on the SGPS is to discuss this.

Jess Hickey- Maybe change question 3. This is really loaded. Where did they get, who told them, moral authority? I think that this is too much. This is a bit heavy. It is good, but a bit too much.

Michael Bravo- The issue is to vote in Andrew's amendment, strike it down and propose a further motion with new recommendations?

**MOTION**

**05/11/10:6-M4**

*Tie*

*Speaker-Tie breaking vote*

*Not Carried*

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- Can we propose amendments and discuss them? The Machiavellian part, I would like to change.

Michael Bravo- We can go one by one, of course. Every change that you want to make, we need a mover and a seconder.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- Can't we propose one motion and Councillors can propose things.

Michael Bravo- If we open a motion, it must address specific items, it can't be open. We can discuss first and then propose a motion with all of these changes.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- That's what I want to do.

Michael Bravo- Do people have copies in front of them? We are going to go paragraph by paragraph and we will note it down, then we will restate everything and then we will propose a motion. First paragraph stays the same. Second paragraph the same, Third paragraph remains the same, fourth paragraph remains the same, next page...

Joe Steele- Strike "infinitely better" and put in "Queen's graduate and professional students".

Marvin Ferrer- "Callous boasting." Does this need to be in? Maybe something like, not "had it not been for facebook posts by the outgoing"

Jawad Qureshy- do you really want to put facebook in there? We can just leave out "callous"

Michael Bravo- Strike "callous"

Sarah Waurechen- Do we really want to call ourselves a simple student society?

Jawad Qureshy- We are a simple student society.

Terry Bridges- Strike, "is a fairly simple student society"

Marvin Ferrer- Strike "political smarts" from that same sentence.

Jawad Qureshy- We are trying to make a point. All that we wanted to say from this is to stop trying to make this more political that it needs to be. We are talking about student space.

Marvin Ferrer- I would still like to strike this.

Michael Bravo- Ok.

Sarah Waurechen- Can we find a way of rephrasing that sentence in general as to restate Jawad's sentence without belittling the organization.

Jawad Qureshy- I think that we are trying to say, don't do this again the day before the board of trustees meeting. If you want to take out the political smarts, then alright.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- Can we change this to political resources?

Michael Bravo- Strike and replace with "political resources".

Heather Gainforth- Do we want to keep in "paper pushers"? I feel like this is insulting to their staff.

Michael Bravo- Strike the "army of paper pushers" and "the administrative clout"

Jawad Qureshy- Strike the "modicum of decency".

Daniel Moore- Can we take out the scare quotes on agreement? For all of the places that this occurs.

Michael Bravo- Strike and replace with just agreement.

Andrew Stevens- I would just put "and existing contracts and conventions".

Jawad Qureshy- You are right, I would even take out the contract.

Andrew Stevens- Do you think there is a separate JDUC agreement?

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- There is an agreement, we need to find it. There is a hard copy of an agreement somewhere.

Jawad Qureshy- We should be a part of that agreement; we need to find the copy of it. There must have been an agreement.

Andrew Stevens- There is a contractual agreement and convention on the square footage of our space. I don't think that this was a contractual agreement in that same sense.

Jawad Qureshy- in that respect, I think that we should strike out the part of "contracts".

Anne-Marie Grondin- I wonder if there is any legitimacy about talking about how outrage might be strategic. We felt that this was outrageous, based on the timing in which the letter was signed. Given the way that Jawad found out about this and the sheepish reaction of the administrators. I think that there was something wrong about the way this was dealt with. I think that the outrage might be kept for a further tool in further negotiations.

Jawad Qureshy- They said sorry, we should have included you in the process. We have the apology, but I think that the idea is to put them on the spot as to why they didn't include us in the process and why they decided not to consult us. I recognize that, as a representative of Council, the letter has a lot more power if it comes from Council and not just me. If you want to know more outrageous details, I can tell you. As soon as we started, we knew we needed space, we were tasked with administrative hoops. On the 28<sup>th</sup> day that we have been working on these hoops, they said nice job and essentially gave the governance over to the AMS in one day. It is not a one day decision to sign over these buildings. They punished us instead of consulting us. So, that is the one thing. The next thing: you are going to sandbag someone at the board of trustees? This just shows some pettiness. This seems very petty and very mean. We wasted a lot of time and money that the graduate students cannot afford. We were never going to have access to the governance. They should have just told us that, that is where we are coming from. All of this is going to go into our minutes and our history and so we must decide about how we are going to respond and what we are going to say about our policy as a membership. Then the notion of outrage must be dealt with.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- I met with JDUC Council since March. Everything was good to go, and then all of a sudden this framework agreement is produced which is a total slap in the face to the SGPS. Prior to me, Amir was highly motivated to get this space and there was never any discussion about this framework agreement. At no time did this come to the Executive's attention.

Terry Bridges- I think that the letter is still outraged. I don't think that letter has been stripped. I think that it is still a powerful letter.

Sarah Waurechen- I would agree. I think that the toning down is simply to eliminate the inflammatory issues and keep Jawad and Jillian's initial sentiments.

Michael Bravo- Further changes then?

Andrew Stevens- A broader question: The use of legal expert and legal advice has been brought up many times. Are we actually going to go to a lawyer and discuss the legal agreement?

Jawad Qureshy- I think we are just going to get some legal advice about our legal rights. I think that we can go to the Queen's Legal Advice for discussion. I think that is for later date though.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- I have discussed it on the surface with legal representative's completely off the record, meaning at no cost to us. They are going to provide some feedback to me as to whether or not we should invest in legal Council to pursue this or whether or not it is worth doing this. How the agreement can take effect if there is an existing contract agreement with respect to the JDUC.

Jawad Qureshy- We are missing our law students. They will be back in August. Some preliminary discussions will be fine, but more in depth will come back later.

Terry Bridges- Strike the "un-spun jargon" and replace with "honest"

Daniel Moore- Replace with "honest and explicit"

Andrew Stevens- Question 3, "with regards to moral authority." Strike this.

Michael Bravo- Striken.

Anne-Marie Grondin- Do we want to preserve some of this. What can we call this more specifically?

Andrew Stevens- To be clear. I don't want to get rid of the whole thing, I just want to get rid of "moral"

Michael Bravo- Strike "moral". The final thing is the P.S. Sarah, where did you think this should go?

Sarah Waurechen- Anywhere in the body where it flows.

Michael Bravo- P.S. will be put before the paragraph starting with the words "At the moment..."

Jawad Qureshy- Strike "nevertheless" and replace with "while reserving the right to do so"

Michael Bravo- These are the proposed changes

**MOTION**

**05/11/10: 6-M5**

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Jillian Burford-Grinnell \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ Jarek Prwowarczyk \_\_\_\_\_ BIRT Council accepts the proposed changes to the letter concerning the JDUC framework agreement:

**STRIKE:**

“infinitely better” **IN** “Queen's students deserve better - infinitely better” **AND REPLACE WITH** “Queen’s Graduate and Professional Students”

“Callous” **IN** “Had it not been for callous boasting by the outgoing AMS President, the SGPS would not have known about this in time to report on this development at the Board of Trustees; we would have been left looking embarrassingly out of touch and SGPS students would have seemed irrelevant to our University's future plans”

“fairly simple student society” **IN** “The SGPS is a fairly simple student society”

“political smarts”, “army of paper-pushers” and “administrative clout” **IN** “The SGPS has neither the administrative clout, commercial depth, political smarts, nor the army of paper-pushers needed to be involved in a game of high-stakes realpolitik over the use of student space.”

**AND REPLACE WITH:** “The SGPS has neither the political resources, nor the commercial depth to be involved in a game of high stakes realpolitik over the use of student space”

“At the very least, we need people who are committed to treating Queen’s students with a modicum of decency that is not subject to administrative convenience.”

**Any and all quotation marks surrounding the word ‘Agreement’ AND REPLACE WITH:** “Agreement.”

“and pre-existing contracts” **IN** “These rights are enshrined in long-standing constitutions, principles and pre-existing contracts, so it is clear that they have been arbitrarily abused.”

“un-spun and jargon free” **IN** “At the moment, apart from immediate behavioural and procedural change from many members within the Queen's administration, we expect an un-spun and jargon-free response to the following questions:” **AND REPLACE WITH:** “honest and explicit”

“moral” **IN** “3. Where did members of the administration derive the moral authority to arbitrarily marginalize our members' voices and aspirations from the governance and management of the commemorative, symbolic, historical student centre that is the JDUC?”

“Nevertheless” **IN** “Nevertheless, Council has not felt it necessary at this point to reference her actions in this particular letter.” **AND REPLACE WITH:** “While reserving the right to do so”

**MOVE:**

“P.S. The SGPS President received a public apology from VP Caroline Davis and Council recognizes her genuine expression of personal contrition on procedural processes. Our disagreement, however, is not merely over procedural protocol but on substantive issues and foundational principles as well. Nevertheless, Council has not felt it necessary at this point to reference her actions in this particular letter.” **BEFORE THE PARAGRAPH ON PAGE 3:** “At the moment, apart from immediate behavioural and procedural change from many members within the Queen's administration, we expect an un-spun and jargon-free response to the following questions:”

Joe Steele- So that first change includes graduate students right?

Michael Bravo- Yes.

*Carried*

Marvin Ferrer- Can we also send a copy to the Journal?

Jawad Qureshy- That is implied. This will go to the Provost and the VP finance and the Principal. The departments involved have to be CC-ed. If you want to amend the motion to say Council endorses firstly and then secondly to send this to Principal Woolf.

**MOTION**

**05/11/10: 6-M6**

Moved \_\_\_Jawad Qureshy\_\_\_/\_\_\_Jess Hickey\_\_\_ BIRT Council endorses this letter and charges the letter to be mailed to Principal Woolf and members of the administration.

*Carried*

Michael Bravo- Further debate on the amended motion?

Jawad Qureshy- The question was brought up about taking the motion to the press. I don't know if Council wants to say this. I would say that this is a letter that is going directly to the Principal and there is no need to embarrass him at this point. This is a discussion at this point.

**MOTION  
AMENDED**

**05/11/10:6 M1-MOTION AS**

*Carried*

**MOTION**

**05/11/10: 6-M7**

Moved \_\_\_Daniel Moore\_\_\_ / \_\_\_Jillian Burford-Grinnell\_\_\_ BIRT Members of Council endorse this letter unanimously.

Sarah Waurechen- Can I as a question, is it possible to abstain based on conflict of interest?

Michael Bravo- If you want that to happen, then there must be an amendment.

Jawad Qureshy- I don't think that we don't want to have sign individual names. I think that we want the weight of Council. I don't think we need individual signatures.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- We just passed a motion to endorse this by Council. I think that most of the Council members would be here, but I guess they are not.

Michael Bravo- Further debate?

*Carried*

**MOTION**

**05/11/10:5**

Moved \_\_\_Daniel Moore\_\_\_ / \_\_\_Jillian Burford-Grinnell\_\_\_ BIRT the Social Team be charged with organizing an appreciation dinner - inviting members of the School of Graduate Studies, the Board of Trustees, SGPS Council members, and other relevant bodies on campus - during which the four annual SGPS awards shall be presented to successful nominees.  
BIRFT the Executive recommends the Social Team plan the appreciation dinner for August, while also taking into consideration the availability of the parties invited.

Daniel Moore- The SGPS gives out 4 awards a year, we haven't done this year. I think that we should show the good side of the SGPS to the administration. I think that the better idea would have been to have this appreciation dinner in April. We will suggest this to the next Executive. This is just a recommendation to the social team, they will send out feelers to the administration.

Michael Bravo- Further debate?

Andrew Stevens- We just told the Principal to piss off and now we are now going to invite him to dinner?

Daniel Moore- Good point. The social team will ask the Principal's secretaries and we will send out invites in about 6-8 weeks.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- Absolutely.

Pat Cashin- We need to invite him. We need to be as cordial to them as possible. We need to say that, this is something that good decorum will prevail. They will be there. We can get together and behave civilly. We should get him out if he is willing to come.

*Carried*

**MOTION**

**05/11/10:7**

Whereas Council approved the 'Queen's University Against Killer Coke' Issues Policy on April 10, 2007 opposing further business transaction with Coca-Cola; and

Whereas Queen's did not meet its sales quota on vending, allowing for an automatic extension of the Coke contract for a period of two years; and

Whereas Coke has offered to forego its two year extension in exchange for a five year contract; and

Whereas Principal Woolf has indicated in a press release last April 16 that the sale of bottled water on campus would end within five years, thus allowing for the possibility that the Coca-Cola contract might indeed be renewed and extended to a period of 5 years; and

Whereas both extensions run directly counter to the ban on bottled water backed by Queen's Water Access Group (WAG) and endorsed by Principal Woolf in April of this year.

Moved \_\_Anne-Marie\_Grondin\_\_ / \_\_Jarek Prwowarczyk\_\_ BIRT the SGPS revisit Policy P.9.2 'Queen's Against Killer Coke Campaign' to allow for negotiation to exclude bottled water from the Coca-Cola exclusivity contract; and BIFRT Council support the efforts of the WAG to ban bottled water on campus; and BIFRT the SGPS advocate for the exclusion of bottled water sales from the Coca-Cola contract.

Anne-Marie Grondin- My whereas clauses are exhausting. The Coca-Cola exclusivity contract will end at the end of the summer. Queen's failed to meet the contract at vending and according to this, Coca-Cola gets to extend their contract by 2 years with a monopoly fee. Opposition to Coke has been growing. They propose to replace the 2 year contract for a contract of 5 years and waive the monopoly fee. The monopoly fee is supposed to go to students. What is being going on through Bruce Griffiths, Queen's has been in negotiations while the Principal has also been in negotiations for more sustainability. In a press

release, he also was quoted about stopping bottled water sales. This tells us that principal Woolf is seriously considering accepting the 5 year Coke contract, based on the \$ 40, 000 which is to go to the Queen's centre, \$30,000 to go to libraries and only about \$70,000 to student academic affairs. We are prohibited from engaging in any business transactions with Coke because of Policy 9.2.

Andrew Stevens- I want to speak against the motion. I understand why it is there though. Looking seriously at the policies of soda manufacturing. The campaign is more inclusive and powerful than the water access group. I don't see why these two are separate. I don't know why we can't say: just no sale of bottled water. I don't see why we need to give up this principle and policy stance in order to advocate for WAG.

Anne-Marie Grondin- The motion is not to revisit our stance on the Killer Coke Campaign. It is to campaign the inclusion of the bottled water campaign. We are continuing to support the killer coke and maintain the exclusion of the bottled water

Andrew Stevens- I think that coke should provide money for the maintenance and construction of water fountains around campus.

**MOTION**

**05/11/10:7-M1**

Moved \_\_\_Andrew Stevens\_\_\_/ \_\_\_Jarek Prwowarczyk\_\_\_ BIRT Council demands Coca-Cola to allocate money for the maintenance and construction of water fountains throughout campus.

Jerome James- I think that we should look into what Western is doing. A condensed version of a large water filler. We have to pay for it though.

Anne-Marie Grondin- I think that we need to make sure to not trespass on the water action group whose broader mandate is to make clean water accessible to everyone everywhere, restore water fountains where they have been taken away, etc. This is already in motion, so I think that perhaps what we could do is add a BIFRT that Coke include restore water fountains.

**MOTION**

**05/11/10: +30**

**min** Moved \_\_\_\_\_Jillian Burford-Grinnell\_\_\_/ \_\_\_Jawad Qureshy\_\_\_ BIRT Council extends the meeting by 30 minutes.

Andrew Stevens- I would like to withdraw my friendly motion.

Micheal Bravo- You cannot do this, you must first vote it down.

*Not Carried*

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- I'd like to speak to what Jerome and Anne- Marie mentioned. The Queen's centre initiative and JDUC meetings that I sit on, we have discussed that water fountains must be accessible and functional, at least within the athletics section and within the Queen's centre and the JDUC, the water fountains and the spouts are going to be put in.

**MOTION**

**05/11/10:7- M2**

Moved \_\_\_Anne-Marie Grondin\_\_\_/\_\_\_Heather Gainforth\_\_\_ BIRT Council adds a BIFRT clause to MOTION 05/11/10:7 to ban bottled water sales on campus and improve and extend access to water fountains in support of WAG's actions

*Carried*

**MOTION**

**05/11/10:7-MOTION AS AMENDED**

Jarek Prwowarczyk- With this motion, we will have a decreased amount of bottle water sales and then we will have a loss of revenue. How will the University maintain this?

Anne-Marie Grondin- So we are still contractually bound for at least 2 years. They are bound to at least 2 years now, and maybe 5 without the monopoly fee. What that means for sales of Coke, what are people going to do if they don't bring their canister, and they want to purchase a beverage, what will happen? They will probably buy a soft drink or a juice. There is no determined outcome I guess.

Jerome James- I think that works into the conditioning of the student. Because of the lack of water fountains then it works into the idea of buying a nice kept Brita water bottle. You know, everyone needs their glacier fresh water!

Daniel Moore- If the campaign against bottle water sale is successful, then the Coke sales improve, then these two initiatives can be mutually progressive.

*Carried*

**MOTION**

**05/11/10:8**

Whereas there is no centralized graduate-specific housing information centre on campus.

Moved \_\_\_Sarah \_Waurechen\_\_\_/\_\_\_Joe Steele\_\_\_ BIRT a Graduate Student Housing Representative be created who would act as a source of contact

between new and current professional and graduate student who are seeking professional or graduate student roommates. Such a representative would also provide information regarding rental sites and general prices in Kingston.

Sarah Waurechen- I was asked by my department, the History department to bring this motion forward. There is concern about how to get housing. We are looking for some sort of facilitator. It is not that Historians only want to live with other Historians, but only that they are past the undergrad shared house and are looking for something else. This would not be a paid position but only would be someone to put people in touch with other people for information about these needs.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- Is there someone who is interested or do you just want us to put this out there?

Sarah Waurechen- I was just asked to bring this up by my department.

Marvin Ferrer- If this were a paid position, wouldn't we have to go through other steps?

Michael Bravo- Yes. It might be better to defeat this motion, then go to the Executive and then discuss the idea in more fleshed out way. Just e-mail the VP, or services, e-mail Jillian and figure out a way to flesh out a potential way to get this out there.

Anne-Marie Grondin- We could maybe have some more thought about what other role this representative would have. Grad students living at John Orr and Ann Clachan do not have a representative. In other words, this might be something to think about. I wouldn't restrict the mandate of this representative.

Sean Richards- Maybe we could do a straw poll of Council as to whether we should look into this as a volunteer or paid position.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- I don't know if I can answer that because we haven't stated specifics. I don't see the bulk of this work being a 12 month position.

Sean Richards- I think you are right in saying that this will be busy three times a year. If this is just volunteer, then fine, but if it a paid position then we can flesh out more clear duties.

Andrew Stevens- I think that this is already an Executive position. I don't want to see another volunteer. I think that this should take place offline. I think this is a good idea, but I think that there should be just a broader housing strategy than this one person.

Mia Golder- Queen's has their own housing authority, but it is hard for grad students to find, I think that it would be good to set up a website.

Joe Steele- I think that this would just be good for some information. It would be nice for general information for students who are not here. Right now it is just me with a gmail account trying to find out things about Kingston.

Sarah Waurechen- The History department has someone working on this.

Sean Richards- I don't think that there is any room for any of the Executive people doing this, they have too much going on. I support the idea of a new position, or maybe re-tasking someone from the social committee to do this- I think that we should have a paid position so that this gets done.

Marvin Ferrer- I support the idea of this. I think that this is good for this to be a 12 month period position.

Pat Cashin- Isn't there already a group in the Town-Gown group?

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- Yes and there is already an abundance of information for landlord and tenant relations.

Michael Bravo- There is an SGPS housing service. The issue is about how do we collect all of this information specific to graduate and professional students. That is the issue at hand. We could go on and do another extension, etc, I think that we deal with the issue at hand and those who want to flesh this out are more than welcome to do so outside of Council.

Jawad Qureshy- I was at that meeting. I would be in support of tabling this motion and bringing it up in August. We can start and see if we have someone working, if not, I would be willing to take it on as trying to find someone before August. Perhaps make a paid position in August rather than right now.

**MOTION**

**05/11/10:8- TABLING**

Moved \_\_\_\_\_Jawad Qureshy\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_Jarek Prwowarczyk\_\_\_\_BIRT Council tables MOTION 05/11/10:8 until August Council Meeting

*Carried*

**8. Other Business**

Ratification of Deputy Speaker

Michael Bravo- Part of my responsibility is to find a deputy speaker. The secretary of the SKHS is wonderful and decided to take on the Deputy Speaker position. Her name is Morgan Craig-Broadwith and she has taken on some of the same responsibilities. Michelle has been good asset to council. I'd like to congratulate her for her work and wish her well in her future pursuits. Thanks.

**MOTION 05/11/10: Ratification of new Deputy Speaker**

Moved \_\_\_ Heather Gainforth/ \_\_\_ Jillian Burford-Grinnell \_\_\_ BIRT Council adopts Morgan Craig-Broadwith to replace Michelle Rosner as Deputy Speaker for the 2010/2011 term.

Jawad Qureshy- Other departments have to realize that there is a slow take over the SKHS!

*Carried*

Michael Bravo- Thanks, she will be here in August.

Jawad Qureshy- Thanks to Council for helping with the letter. I would like to talk about and recognize the best student senator in SGPS history. Andrew is the ex-president of the SGPS. I think that Andrew has shown a willingness to help and has been exemplary. I think that the SGPS has recognized that he needs to move on with his life, but we would like to honour his lengthy and prolific participation. I would like to propose that we make him a honorary SGPS member for life.

Andrew Stevens- So I can use the health plan after I'm done?

**MOTION 05/11/10: Adoption of honorary SGPS member**

Moved \_\_\_ Jawad Qureshy \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Jillian Burford-Grinnell \_\_\_ BIRT Andrew Stevens be adopted as a honorary SGPS member for life.

*Carried unanimously*

**9. Notice of Motions/Announcements**

Reports and Motions for the next regular Council meeting are due Tuesday, August 3rd, 2010 at 4 pm.

The next regular SGPS Council meeting will be on Tuesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

**10. Adjournment**

MOTION

**05/11/10:9**

Moved \_\_\_ Jillian Burford-Grinnell \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Pat Cashin \_\_\_ BIRT the SGPS Council meeting be adjourned.

*Carried*

Michael Bravo- Have a good summer!

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- Have a great summer everyone!

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Attached:

April Meeting Minutes

Attendance April Meeting

May Reports

Appendix 1 – Equity Committee Mandate

Appendix 2 – Queen’s Institutional Response to SSHRC Briefing

Appendix 3 – FAS Response to SSHRC Briefing

**NEW TENT CARDS:**

**JOE STEELE- CHEMICAL ENGINEERING**

**SHAUNA CONNAUGHTON- REHABILITATION (PROFESSIONAL)**

**TESSA YOUNG- REHABILITATION (THERAPHY)**

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| ANATOMY & CELL BIOLOGY     | Marvin Ferrer          | X |
| ART CONSERVATION           | Hai-Yen Nguyen         |   |
| ART HISTORY                | <i>vacant</i>          |   |
| BIOCHEMISTRY               | Namit Sharma           |   |
| BIOLOGY                    | Chad Edwards           | - |
| BIOLOGY                    | Chris Harris           | - |
| BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING     | <i>vacant</i>          |   |
| BIOSTATISTICS              | <i>vacant</i>          |   |
| CHEMICAL ENGINEERING       | Joe Steele             | X |
| CHEMISTRY                  | Patrick Cashin         | X |
| CIVIL ENGINEERING          | Omar Khader            | - |
| CLASSICS                   | <i>vacant</i>          |   |
| COMM HEALTH & EPIDEMIOLOGY | <i>vacant</i>          |   |
| COMPUTING                  | <i>Dumitru Onceanu</i> | X |
| COMPUTING                  | Mohammed Hussain       | - |
| CULTURAL STUDIES           | Shannon Speed          |   |
| ECONOMICS                  | Derek Stacey           | - |
| ECONOMICS & JD COMBINED    | <i>vacant</i>          |   |
| EDUCATION                  | Clara Baik             |   |
| EDUCATION                  | Alex Townsend          |   |

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| EDUCATION (President)       | Jarek Prwowarczyk | X |
| EDUCATION (VP External)     | Victoria Forbes   |   |
| EDUCATION (Graduate)        | Chi Yan Lam       | X |
| EDUCATION (Graduate)        | Terry Bridges     | X |
| ELEC & COMPUTER ENGINEERING | Ryan Bespalko     | X |
| ENGLISH                     | Andrew Bingham    |   |
| ENV STUDIES                 | Nicole Mcdonald   |   |
| FRENCH                      | Usha Rungoo       |   |
| GENDER STUDIES              | Katherine Mazurok |   |
| GEOGRAPHY                   | Vivian Wasiuta    | - |
| GEOGRAPHY                   | Clare Wasteneys   |   |
| GEOLOGY & GEO ENGINEERING   | <i>vacant</i>     |   |
| GERMAN                      | Stefanie Kullick  |   |
| GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT          | <i>vacant</i>     |   |
| HISTORY                     | Sarah Waurechen   | X |
| INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS        | Vacant            | - |
| KINESIOLOGY & HEALTH        | Heather Gainforth | X |
| LAW                         | Aniss Amdiss      | - |
| LAW                         | Rob Church        | - |
| LAW                         | Sierra Robson     | - |
| LAW MASTERS                 | <i>vacant</i>     |   |
| MANAGEMENT                  | Joachim Scholz    | - |
| MATH & STATS                | Philippe DePass   |   |
| MECH & MATERIAL ENGINEERING | Jerome James      | X |
| MICROBIOLOGY & IMMUNOLOGY   | Andrew Pursell    | - |
| MINING ENGINEERING          | <i>vacant</i>     |   |
| MINING ENGINEERING          | Justin Thompson   |   |
| NEUROSCIENCE                | Andrew Pruszynski | - |
| NURSING                     | <i>vacant</i>     |   |
| PATHOLOGY & MOLECULAR       | Jess Hickey       | X |
| PATHOLOGY & MOLECULAR       | Mia Golder        | X |
| PHARMACOLOGY & TOXICOLOGY   | Mike Philbrook    | - |
| PHILOSOPHY                  | Andrew D.F. Ross  |   |

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| PHYSICS & ASTRO ENGINEERING     | Eoin O'Dwyer             | X |
| PHYSIOLOGY                      | David Rodrigues          | - |
| POLICY STUDIES                  | Kate McGarry             | - |
| POLITICAL STUDIES               | Charan Rainford          |   |
| PSYCHOLOGY                      | Sveda Bahtiyar           | - |
| PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION           | Tyler Sutton             | - |
| PUBLIC HEATH                    | <i>vacant</i>            |   |
| REHABILITATION (PROFESSIONAL)   | Shauna Connaughton       | X |
| REHABILITATION (RESEARCH)       | Mary Thurgood            |   |
| REHABILITATION (THERAPY)        | Tessa Young              | X |
| RELIGIOUS STUDIES               | Kathryn Neeley           |   |
| SOCIOLOGY                       | Stephanie Cork           | - |
| SPANISH AND ITALIAN             | <i>vacant</i>            |   |
| THEOLOGY                        | Yusuf Kappaya            |   |
| URBAN PLANNING                  | Ryan Jeffrey             |   |
| SPEAKER *tie breaking vote only | Michael Bravo            | X |
| DEPUTY SPEAKER                  | Michelle Rosner          | X |
| PRESIDENT                       | <i>Jawad Qureshy</i>     | X |
| VP CAMPAIGNS & COMM AFFAIRS     | Anne-Marie Grondin       | X |
| VP FINANCE & SERVICES           | Jillian Burford-Grinnell | X |
| VP GRADUATE                     | Daniel Moore             | X |
| VP PROFESSIONAL                 | Shaughnessy Hawkins      | - |
| EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR              | Sean Richards            | X |
| COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSIONER     | Sean Richards            | X |
| EQUITY COMMISSIONER             | <i>Sophia Virani</i>     | - |
| SOCIAL COMMISSIONER             | Diala Habib              | - |
| RECTOR                          | Nick Day                 | - |
| EDUCATION SENATOR               | <i>vacant</i>            |   |
| GRAD SENATOR                    | Andrew Stevens           | X |
| LAW SENATOR                     | Logan Crowell            | - |
| THEOLOGY SENATOR                | Erin Burns               |   |
| TRUSTEE                         | Alfonso Nocilla          | - |
| CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER         | <i>Aniss Amdiss</i>      | - |

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| Sustainability Coordinator           | <i>Ivana Zelenika</i>      | - |
| Equity Coordinator                   | <i>Lara-Szabo Greisman</i> | X |
| COMMITTEE COORDINATOR                | Laura Gale                 | - |
| ABORIGINAL STUDENT REP               | Dana Wesley                |   |
| ABORIGINAL STUDENT REP               | Shauna Shiels              |   |
| INTERNATIONAL STUDENT<br>Coordinator | Aasma Khan                 | - |
| MATURE STUDENT REP                   | <i>vacant</i>              |   |
| PART-TIME STUDENT REP                | Lisa Hughes                |   |
| LAW LSS President                    | Erin Pleet                 | - |
| AMS PRESIDENT                        | Michael Ceci               | - |
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