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CANADIAN FEDERATION OF STUDENTS LOCAL 27

AGENDA

Society of Graduate and Professional Students' Council
Local 27 of the Canadian Federation of Students
Tuesday, October 13th, 2009, 5:30pm
Room 240, JDUC

1. Presentations

2. Adoption of Agenda and Minutes

MOTION

10/13/09:1

Moved _____ / _____ BIRT the agenda for October 13th, 2009 be adopted.

MOTION

10/13/09:2

Moved _____ / _____ BIRT the minutes for September, 2009 be accepted.

3. Executive and Speaker Reports

- a) President – Vacant (report attached)
- b) VP Graduate – Joellen Lin (report attached)
- c) VP Professional – Kate Kahn (report attached)
- d) VP Campaigns and Community Affairs – Steve Osterberg (report attached)
- e) VP Finance and Services – Amir Nosrat (report attached)
- f) Speaker – Mark Rosner (no report)

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10/13/09:3

Moved _____ / _____ BIRT Executive and Speaker reports be accepted.

4. Committee, Commissioner, Senator, Board of Trustee and Other Reports

- a) Graduate Student Senator – Andrew Stevens (report attached)
- b) Board of Trustees – Alfonso Nocilla (report attached)
- c) Committee Reports – Housing Committee (report attached)
- d) Commissioner Reports
 - i) Social Commissioner – Diala Habib (report attached)
 - ii) Communications Commissioner – Sean Richards (report attached)
 - iii) Equity Commissioner: Usman Mushtaq (report attached)
- e) Other Reports
 - i) Committee Coordinator – Laura Gale (no report)
 - ii) Education Coordinator – Vacant
 - iii) Equity Coordinator – Laura Szabo Greisman (no report)
 - iv) Rector – Leora Jackson (no report)
 - v) Chief Returning Officer – Vacant
 - vi) International Student Coordinator - Aasma Khan (report attached)

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10/13/09:4

Moved _____ / _____ BIRT Senator/Board of Trustees/Commissioner/Committee Coordinator / Committee, and Other reports be accepted.

5. Question Period/Departmental Issues

- Conference Funding for Graduate Students
- Education Students Concerns (parking)

6. Business Arising from the Minutes

SGPS Elections – President and VP Graduate

Order of Elections

1. VP Graduate – Speeches by candidate(s) (5 minutes)

Question Period for candidate(s) (5 minutes)

2. President – Speeches by candidate(s) (5 minutes)

Question Period for candidate(s) (5 minutes)

Council Deliberations (5 minutes)

Voting (10 minutes)

Tabulation of Ballots (10 minutes)

MOTION

10/13/09:5

Whereas the Housing Committee was established in Council's August session,

Whereas the Housing Committee along with the Executive were charged with the task of initiating the process of establishing a separate Housing Authority which remains subservient to the SGPS,

Whereas the Housing Committee along with the Executive have made preparations for the establishment of a new Housing Authority,

Moved _____ Nosrat _____ / _____ Ostenberg _____ BIRT that the Housing Committee along with the Executive establish a separate non-profit Corporation in accordance with local, provincial, and federal laws in a timely manner,

7. Main Motions

MOTION

10/13/09:6

Whereas the Housing Committee has recommended to hire Queen's Business Consulting to do a feasibility study on the Housing Authority,

Whereas the Executive has recommended to explore the feasibility of a SGPS cafe on campus,

Whereas Queen's Business Consulting has made a proposal to do a feasibility study on both recommendations for the same price,

Moved _____ Nosrat _____ / _____ _____ BIRT the SGPS BIRT that the VP Finance and Services be authorized to hire Queen's Business Consulting based on the proposal presented in Appendix 1; and

BIFRT that the Contingency budget line under Non-Schedule budget items in the 2009-2010 be increased by \$3500 to compensate Queen's Business Consulting as outlined in Appendix 1.

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10/13/09:6

Moved _____ Nosrat _____ / _____ _____ BIRT that P.1.5 Sports Bursary be created to read:

P.1.5 Sports Bursary

P.1.5.1 Purpose

Committee shall request an interview with those members applying for club status if they have any questions regarding the preliminary budget or any other matter that is relevant to accessing club funding.

d. All club members must comply with the request for meeting from the VP Finance and Services and/or the Finance and Services Standing Committee in order to qualify for club funding.

e. Funds shall be disbursed in the form of reimbursements.

f. Any club receiving funding from the SGPS in a given year shall maintain a complete set of financial records, including a year-end budget, which shall be subject to an internal audit by the SGPS VP Finance and Services, for that year.

g. Procedure:

(1) A Club Funding Application must be submitted to the VP Finance and Services. The content of the application shall be determined by the VP Finance and Services to serve the purposes of the Club Funding.

(2) The VP Finance and Services shall present the application to the Finance and Services Committee for review.

(3) The Finance and Services Committee shall have the authority to approve the application so long as it meets the Club Funding Eligibility Criteria as outlined in (4).

(4) The Club Funding Eligibility Criteria shall be defined as criteria serving to promote social life amongst the SGPS membership, serve academic interests of the SGPS membership, or to improve the image of the SGPS membership in Queen's University or the City of Kingston.

(5) A Club can be eligible to receive a Club Funding allocation up to a maximum of \$250.00 in a fiscal year.

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10/13/09:8

Whereas the SGPS extends the health and dental plan to civilian RMC graduate students; and

Whereas the civilian RMC graduate students have not negatively impacted the SGPS health and dental plan; and

Whereas the vocational students at St. Lawrence College, Kingston campus, have no health and dental coverage.

Moved _____ / _____ BIRT the SGPS health and dental plan be extended to vocational students at St. Lawrence College.

8. Other Business

9. Notice of Motions/Announcements

Reports and Motions for the next regular Council meeting are due Tuesday, November 3rd, 2009.

The next regular SGPS Council meeting will be on Tuesday, November 10th, 2009.

10. Adjournment

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10/13/09:9

Moved _____ / _____ BIRT the SGPS Council meeting be adjourned.

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Attached:

September Minutes

Reports

Appendix 1 – QBC Proposal

Appendix 2 – SGS Conferences Memo

Appendix 3 – Doc from School of Kinesiology and Health Studies (SKHS) re: conferences.

Appendix 4 – Questions posed in Senate by Andrew Stevens and Jeff Welsh

Appendix 5 – Motion moved in Senate by Andrew Stevens.