

## **AGENDA**

Society of Graduate and Professional Students' Council  
Local 27 of the Canadian Federation of Students  
Tuesday, August 10<sup>th</sup> 2010, 5:30pm

### **Room 241, JDUC**

#### **1. Presentations**

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

##### **MOTION 08/11/10:1**

Moved Benjamin Grant / Jawad Qureshy BIRT  
the agenda for August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010 be adopted.

Benjamin Grant- I'd like to make an amendment to withdraw amendment 08/11/10:7. I believe this motion is faulty, rather than make a whole host of amendments, I think it's just better to get rid of this whole part.

##### **MOTION 08/11/10: 1-M1**

Moved Benjamin Grant / Jillian Burford Grinnell BIRT  
Council removes Motion 08/11/10:7 be removed from the August 10<sup>th</sup> minutes.

*Carried*

##### **MOTION 08/11/10: 1-M2**

Moved Anne-Marie Grondin / Jillian Burford-Grinnell BIRT council  
add an emergency motion regarding a letter drafted and Council's support in  
opposition to upcoming and imminent student tariffs. This motion is time  
sensitive as the letter must be submitted tomorrow.

*Carried*

Michael Bravo- Ok, great, are there any other changes?

Jawad Qureshy- Change three people's names.

##### **MOTION 08/11/10: 1-M3**

Moved Jawad Qureshy / Logan Crowell BIRT Council change the  
agenda to correct minor logistical errors including the replacement of Leora  
Jackson's name with Nick Day (Rector), replacement of Alfonso Nocilla's name  
with Benjamin Grant (Trustee), correct spelling of Shaughnessy Hawkings' name  
(VP Professional), no report for Equity Representative and no representative for  
Education Student's Coordinator.

Michael Bravo- Remove Alfonso, Leora and spelling of Shaughnessy's last name  
and add Ben. Modify rector to Nick Day. No one for ESC.

Daniel Moore- It says that the Equity rep. has a report?

Michael Bravo- Sorry about that, that was an oversight.

*Carried*

Michael Bravo- There is a motion that was tabled at last meeting that needs to be brought up at this meeting, from the May council meeting.

**MOTION 08/11/10: 1-M4**

Moved Jawad Qureshy / Sarah Waurechen BIRT Council reviews tabled MOTION 05/11/10:8 from the May 2010 Council Meeting.

*Carried*

**MOTION 08/11/10:1- AGENDA AS AMENDED**

*Carried*

**MOTION 08/11/10:2**

Moved Anne-Marie Grondin / Jillian Burford Grinnell BIRT the minutes for the May Council Meeting be accepted.

*Carried*

**3. Executive and Speaker Reports**

a) President – Jawad Qureshy (report attached)

I hope everyone had a great summer. The SGPS has been very busy. From my perspective, there are a couple of issues. Are we as effective as we can be in representing our members, is still an important question that we are looking at. We suffer from a lack of space and infrastructure that should improve soon. There has not been a lot of respect at the administrative level and this year is a very good opportunity to make changes in how we modulate our university and our relationships. We need more committee members from council members. I would also like to meet with everyone to discuss how we can make improvements and changes to our and your departments so that everything that we plan and want to do we can do. Hopefully this is something we can do together.

b) VP Graduate – Daniel Moore (report attached)

The student advisor hiring is still going on. In September it is difficult to find people and schedule, but we are hiring for all positions. We submitted a response to *Where's Next* and wanted Council's response and the Provost said that we are allowed to submit a response. All SGPS staff were solicited to put input into it. The academic affairs committee also put input and so we hope that it is reflective of our members and our community. We put out a survey and study about how graduate students find non graduate employment in non academic settings. The point of it would be to develop a new curriculum to find employment not in academic setting. Graduate councils- the manuals still have to be approved but hope to be soon. All positions, we are looking for volunteers, contact me or Jawad. We are hoping that these members will also sit on Council and update SGPS with these committee's activities.

c) VP Professional – Shaughnessy Hawkings (no report)  
Not Present

d) VP Campaigns and Community Affairs – Anne-Marie Grondin (report attached)  
We are doing interviews for the international student coordinator position. We will have our decision by Monday. Our Equity Commissioner, Dana has decided to step down for personal reasons so our Equity Representative, Carolyn Prouse will take over and is well versed in all of the information, as she has been working all summer on this material. We are looking for a new Equity Commissioner.

e) VP Finance and Services – Jillian Burford-Grinnell (report attached)  
Welcome back everyone, I hope you had a great summer. Our new Executive Assistant, Pam started last week and she has been wonderful and has been doing work for us and hopefully she will be doing good work for a very long time. We got a thank you letter from the JUMP Start group which we contributed to. **Jillian reads letter**- these events would not be possible without SGPS donations and support. Thanks.

f) Speaker – Michael Bravo (report attached)  
Hi guys, welcome back. I didn't have a report, not too much has been going on this summer. Hiring is ongoing for the CRO position. I found someone who is interested in fulfilling the position, but if anyone is interested in being a CRO then put forth a request. If not, so Mikhail Kellawan will be here soon, but other than that, things are looking good.

**MOTION 08/11/10:3**

Moved Benjamin Grant / Mia Golder BIRT  
Executive and Speaker reports be accepted.

*Carried*

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

a) Graduate Student Senator – N/A

b) Board of Trustees – Benjamin Grant(no report)

Earlier this year, the board proposed making the board smaller. Our board is the second biggest board in the country. They struck a committee and made report which was accepted and so the Board of trustees will be reduced from 44 members to 25 members. Parliament has to say that this is OK. The three types of trustees that will be affected will be the graduates, Theology College and the benefactors. Even so, there are only 500 benefactors that are eligible to vote. Student representation will remain constant. There will be two students, me and the undergrad. So proportionally we will be stronger than we were before, especially now that there are only 25 members. Over the next three years, as the contracts lapse, the board will shrink, so it will be a gradual shrinking of the board.

c) Committee Reports

d) Commissioner Reports

i) Social Commissioner – Abdullah Abunafeesa (report attached)

If anyone has any ideas we are receptive to anything but everything is going well.

ii) Communications Commissioner – Sean Richards (report attached)

Nothing to add.

iii) Equity Commissioner: Carolyn Prouse (report attached)

e) Other Reports

i) Committee Coordinator – Sean Richards (report attached)

ii) Equity Coordinator – Carolyn Prouse (report attached)

iv) Sustainability Coordinator – Ivana Zelenika (report attached)

v) Education Students' Coordinator – N/A (no report)

vi) Rector – Nick Day (no report)

vii) Chief Returning Officer – Mikhail Kellawan (no report)

viii) Departmental Reports

Benjamin Grant- I also served on the Strategic Planning Committee. There were a heck of a lot of amendments. We are going to be sending out a questionnaire to commissioners, boards and execs asking for input on a strategic level. The deadline that we are asking you to return by is pretty tight so if you could return these post haste. Lastly we were asked to report back on the housing authority. But we are waiting to do so until we hear back from the finance committee. We are waiting on the finance committee to report back to us.

**MOTION 08/11/10:4**

Moved       Mia Golder       /       Joe Steele       BIRT Senator/Board of Trustees/Commissioner/ Coordinator / Committee, and Other reports be accepted.

*Carried*

**5. Question Period/Departmental Issues**

Jerome James- I was given a list last moment, so I wasn't able to verify against the issues at hand. In May Council meeting a motion was proposed by Sarah Waurechen. The motion was tabled concerning the housing authority so that Council could come up with more detail. Has there been more development on this issue?

Michael Bravo- This was an oversight on my part, sorry.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- We have put up a position online. Part of that position involves doing that housing portfolio. Sarah has e-mailed me back and we have been in e-mail contact and we are just waiting for someone to apply.

Jerome James- Waiting for..?

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- Waiting for someone to be interested in housing and to be a Research Assistant as well because there just aren't enough hours for a housing commissioner for all year. They can apply through the SGPS or the career site.

Jerome James-Second question. This is regarding the social commission's plans for the appreciation dinner for relevant bodies pertaining to SGPS during which the four annual SGPS awards would be presented. There is no indication in any of the reports about an update on this.

Abdullah Abunafeesa- We are planning on having it in November or December, considering the beginning of the year and September is pretty busy with Orientation and back to school events. At this point we are focussing on Orientation week.

Sean Richards- I went to try and fit in with the administrators. The most we could get was two or three at once. For September or October, there wasn't a way to fit it all in.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- It would be nice if we got all of this set up and had administration and external SGPS to attend and then we could invite the recipients to the semi-formal, but we are still discussing this.

Jerome James- There remains no update on the motion incorporating the student services and the housing authority. When can we expect for this resolution to be honoured?

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- I did mention it in my report. The finance and services committee did meet a couple times. And we discussed the specifics for the services incorporation and revising the budget. We are now dealing with the \$90,000 budgetary allowance. The other meeting no one could attend and one meeting it was only Sean and I. Two or three weeks ago there was a signed agreement to do the incorporation and we gave in the check. It takes 6-8 weeks to get it back from the government.

Jerome James- Regarding to this, can I forward this to the minutes?

Michael Bravo- Yes that would be good.

Sarah Waurechen- I was asked by department to talk to the Social Commissioner so that the Orientation week could more actively liaise with departments and give updates for students and to the departments, so that we won't clash dates and step on the SGPS' toes.

Abdullah Abunafeesa- That's an excellent idea

Sarah Waurechen- So then we'll be in contact with one another.

Logan Crowell- I wanted to extend on behalf of the Law students a thank you to Council and especially to the Executive concerning the Queen's centre fee and referendum. They displayed level headedness and respectfulness concerning the issue and I don't think that we could have had a better result.

Michael Bravo- Any business we see in the minutes?

## **6. Business Arising from the Minutes**

### **7. Main Motions**

#### **MOTION 08/11/10:5**

Whereas the 2009-2010 budget was reviewed by the Finance and Services Standing Committee at meeting on July 6, 2010; and

Whereas a few changes were necessary since the budget was drafted in September and requires updates to budget line allocations; and

Whereas the finance and services committee recommends the changes detailed below. The committee recommends the following:

SCHEDULE 2

Council—balance can be transferred (\$500)—to cover the Doctor's Without Borders motion of \$1000 that passed at council. The budget only accounted for a maximum charitable donation of \$500

SCHEDULE 3

Elections-balance of \$1189.10---transfer (only spent \$1560.90) all to Executive Internal Line Conferences-move \$2600 \*move to general office in Schedule Four  
Schedule 4

Insurance-\$600 move down a line to general office General Office—we need to update our computers and buy new ones—see quote below. It will cost approx. \$3200 to do this.

Schedule 5

Honoraria move \$1983.33 to general office

Schedule 6 Wages & Benefits

The Executive Assistant's August wages were not accounted for in the last update to the budget however, there is an excess of \$3000 from Part Time Staff to cover Aug payroll & deductions for the Executive Assistant.

Moved Jillian\_Burford-Grinnell / Anne-Marie Grondin BIRT Council approve the above revisions to the 2009-2010 budget

Marvin Ferrer- I'd like to amend it to remove the Doctor's Without Border's completely. Not to make it \$500 but remove it completely.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- There was a motion to donate \$500 to Doctor's Without Borders's but we need to take \$500 to cover the additional \$1000. But this motion has already been passed, so you cannot amend this.

Michael Bravo- You want to remove the direct motion to erase the Doctor's Without Border's donation? You can still pass this, but you have to propose another motion. You can answer for this transfer to be removed.

Logan Crowell- Point of Order- if the original motion had a specific reference to this budget line then he can rescind that motion.

Michael Bravo- Your point of order is well taken.

**MOTION 08/11/10: 5- M1**

Moved Marvin Ferrer / \_\_\_\_\_ BIRT Council remove SCHEDULE 2- Council—balance can be transferred (\$500)—to cover the Doctor's Without Borders motion of \$1000 that passed at council.

*NO SECONDER  
Not Carried*

**MOTION 08/11/10:5**

*Carried*

**MOTION 08/11/10:6**

Moved Jillian\_Burford-Grinnell / Jawad Qureshy BIRT Council approve the 2010-11 budget (first reading; see Appendices for details)

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- It is pretty standard. I don't know if anyone has any questions. If you have any questions I am more than happy to answer them.

Benjamin Grant- The club funding line, is that new?

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- Club funding was in the last schedule.

Logan Crowell- Can you give a run down of what was different from last year?

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- A number of items were increased slightly. Social was increased by two or three thousand. Charity was increased up to \$1000 from \$500. Copier and committee were increased. You will note that in Sean's report, he is looking for something that will serve our members and representatives better. Telephone is pretty standard. General has been updated up \$20, 000 to make up for our new space. We have gotten rid of the honouraria's. Regular employment and part time employees include two or three potential Research Assistants over the course of the year in which we are trying to get in the work-study program. We have increased between four and six thousand our health and dental. New this year is un-allocated funds for pushing.

Benjamin Grant- Club funding says that it is a new line.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- It was new as of last year.

Benjamin Grant- My question is what, oh, I thought it was new this year, sorry.

**MOTION 08/11/10:6- FIRST READING**

*Carried*

**MOTION 08/11/10: EMERGENGY MOTION**

Moved Grondin / Burford-Grinnell BIRT SGPS Council endorses the letter to Mister Secretary General McDougall regarding Access Copyright's

proposed student tariff. Whereas a letter expressing opposition to Access Copyright's proposed university student tariff has been distributed to Council and will be added to the appendices for future reference;

Anne-Marie Grondin- I'm going to start off with a bit of an apology because I got this e-mail around noon and then sat in a meeting for three hours so that this letter is a little rough. So Access Copyright is proposing to remove the 10 cent fee per page on course books. But they want to replace it with a mandatory \$45 fee per college and university student. It amounts to an increase of 1300%. Moving to a model of virtual course books, then the removal of the 10 cent fee isn't that influential any more because we no longer really use that much paper... most notably that because of the wording, some of the things included under the definition of copy are hyperlink material and digital copies. This is problematic because links to our own material would be a fee. The letter that I have put together must be sent to the acting secretary general and it must be sent out tomorrow. It reads as follows:

Gilles McDougall  
Acting Secretary General  
56 Sparks Street, Suite 800  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0C9

Dear Mister Secretary General,

We, the Society of Graduate and Professional Students (SGPS) at Queen's University (Kingston, Ontario) are writing to firmly object to Access Copyright's proposed increase in student tariffs.

Though the proposal will eliminate the 10 cents fee on every page reproduced for course texts, the \$45 per head tariff amounts to an increase of over 1,300% than the current charge, an amount we find unreasonable, particularly given the financial realities of post-graduate students who already face exorbitant tuition fees, summer unemployment, and growing amounts of debt.

Furthermore, it is our understanding that "copies" are defined in the proposed tariff to include links as well as hyperlinks to Digital Copy, and as such could be interpreted to include websites with copyrighted material. Within increasingly digitized university environments, this poses obvious concerns for innovative pedagogical endeavor, impacting post-graduates in their roles as students, teaching assistants, and teaching fellows alike.

For the above reasons, we object to the university student tariff proposed by Access Copyright.

Respectfully yours,

The Council of the Society of Graduate and Professional Students at Queen's University  
(Kingston, Ontario)

Michael Bravo- Any discussion?

Logan Crowell- I'm not sure what I understand about the new fee structure. So right now if a Prof wants to copy, it is 10 cents per page?

Anne-Marie Grondin- Well it is not clear, but yes for course kits.

Logan Crowell- So this is being taken off. Every student will pay \$45. So they can get unlimited copies? A couple course kits can get you more than \$45.

Sarah Waurechen- If there is a seminar course, however with digital links, you are linking two journals that the university already pays for.

Logan Crowell- So where does the 1300% increase come from?

Anne-Marie Grondin- Given the numbers that they give and the number of students enrolled, if you tally the number then this would amount to the increase.

Marvin Ferrer- Who is paying the \$45?

Anne-Marie Grondin- You, the enrolled student, will be paying this.

Daniel Moore- Queen's is also filing a rejection and complaint against this. The bookstores have to pay \$1.50 per head, and then \$45 for copying. This will cost the bookstore up to \$600, 000 in order for the bookstore to reproduce educational material. They take the charge, but this is going straight to us.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- What does that mean? You get your course pack free?

Marvin Ferrer- In terms of course packs, is there a way for departments to make a little bit of money? As I understand it, my anatomy course was more expensive than I expected.

Sarah Waurechen- The fee should be about what you are copying. The photocopy fee would still be there.

Logan Crowell- So then you need to copy 450 000 pages for this to be worth it.

Sarah Waurechen- It sounds beneficial for undergrads for course packs, but how many graduate students buy course packs?

Anne-Marie Grondin- So, AC wants educators and students to pay for things that should be free. This information is coming from Michael Geist from University of Ottawa.

Michael Bravo- Anything to say about the letter specifically?

Logan Crowell- I think that the letter should be re-written. I particularly have issues with the digital and hyperlink paragraph because it doesn't get to the issue. They are charging things that shouldn't be. They can't charge for a fee when it is already on the web.

Anne-Marie Grondin- It makes even access to the internet problematic as well.

Sarah Waurechen- I think that we should be getting at the sneaking extension of web copyright laws.

Logan Crowell- I think that we should be getting at this breaking of copyright laws.

Michael Bravo- Is there is any further discussion? If you do vote to accept this letter then it is accepted as it is now.

Anne-Marie Grondin- There is a time issue. It has to be in by tomorrow.

Logan Crowell- Can we not move that Anne-Marie be tasked by adjusting the letter and send it off by tomorrow.

Jawad Qureshy- It will not be from council then.

Michael Bravo- It will be, because we are tasking Anne-Marie to do this. So we must strike this down first to move that motion.

Joe Steele- It says post grad students, some of us are graduate students. It also says summer employment. In Chemical engineering, there is no summer employment.

Michael Bravo- Technically I don't speak to motions, but for the respectfully yours section, you need names and titles at the end. Oh, you don't? Nevermind, call to vote.

**MOTION 08/11/10: EMERGENCY MOTION**

Whereas a letter expressing opposition to Access Copyright's proposed university student tariff has been distributed to Council and will be added to the appendices for future reference;

Moved Anne-Marie Grondin / Jillian Burford-Grinnell BIRT SGPS Council endorses the letter to Mister Secretary General McDougall regarding Access Copyright's proposed student tariff.

*Not Carried*

**MOTION 08/11/10: Access Copyright Letter to be Rewritten**

Moved Logan Crowell / Benjamin Grant BIRT Anne-Marie rewrite a new letter on behalf of SGPS Council and representatives to express opposition to new Access Copyright fees and this new letter be accepted by Council for submission tomorrow.

Jawad Qureshy- Does that not set a precedent?

Michael Bravo- This is the will of Council.

**MOTION 08/11/10: Access Copyright Letter to be Rewritten**

Moved Jillian Burford-Grinnell / Logan Crowell BIRT the "As per the reflection of discussion of SGPS Council" be added to the letter.

*Carried*

Andrew Cashin- This isn't a precedent setting, we've done this before. The precedent has passed.

Michael Bravo- In the previous letter, we did not have a deadline so close. We had time. I can understand where you are coming from, but because we have a deadline that is due tomorrow, I don't see this as a precedent.

Logan Crowell- This is a motion because of the time limit.

Sarah Waurechen- Maybe we can send this by e-mail for discussion?

Logan Crowell- We are specifically tasking Executive.

Michael Bravo- Once you have written it, I will send it out and then any changes can be sent back.

Logan Crowell- Just as we understand that Anne-Marie gets discretion that she does not have to incorporate all suggestions.

Jawad Qureshy- It will be signed by SGPS council?

Michael Bravo- Yes.

**MOTION 08/11/10: Access Copyright Letter to be Rewritten- AS AMENDED**

*Carried*

**MOTION 08/11/10: Change of dates**

Moved \_\_\_\_\_Jillian Burford-Grinnell\_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_Logan\_\_\_Crowell\_\_\_\_\_ BIRT to approve Council and General Meeting schedule for 2010/2011.

2010:

September 14<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 PM;  
October 12<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 PM;  
November 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM;  
December 14<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 PM;

2011

January 11<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 PM  
February 8<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 PM  
March 8<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 PM  
AGM – March 22<sup>rd</sup> @ 5:30 PM  
April 12<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 PM  
May 10<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 PM

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- This is the second Tuesday of every month?

Michael Bravo- Yes.

**MOTION 08/11/10: Review and Change of Procedure at Council Meetings**

Moved \_\_\_Logan\_\_\_Crowell\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_Patrick\_\_\_Cashin\_\_\_\_\_ BIRT the time limits for each part of Council meetings will be the following:

Approval of the Agenda – 5 minutes  
Executive and Speaker's Reports – 20 minutes  
Financial Reports – 10 minutes  
Committee, Commissioner, Graduate Student Senator and Other reports – 20 minutes

Michael Bravo- These are all in the bylaws. I've added five minutes to the agenda motion.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- I would like to propose that we table this for September for more people around.

**MOTION 08/11/10: Review and Change Procedure at Council Meetings- M1**

Moved Jillian Burford-Grinnell / Marvin Ferrer BIRT Council table MOTION 08/11/10: Review and Change Procedure at Council Meetings until September Meeting.

Michael Bravo- Jillian Burford-Grinnell is moving to table this motion until the September meeting.

Logan Crowell- So you are having a RA and you want to give it part of his job?

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- I am foreseeing this as a housing position. I don't think that the position will require 10 hours a week all year. I think that it will take up time in July, August, September and January, and I am speaking preliminarily right now. But I am reluctant to support a decision when we barely have quorum.

Logan Crowell- So if we are talking about completely redefining a position, then why not vote this down completely, then for house keeping, lets just strike this down as instead of simply tabling this constantly.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- We also have our Executive Assistant who has been with us a week and a half now and we are still trying to sort out the various positions for the next couple weeks. We should maybe vote on striking this down and reassessing this in September.

Michael Bravo- If you want to strike this down, we first have to vote on the motion to table. It has been proposed already.

**MOTION 08/11/10: Review and Change Procedure at Council Meetings- M1**

*Not Carried.*

Michael Bravo- If we don't bring this back then it becomes null and void.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- What are we voting on? If we say yes, we want a Grad Student Housing representative right?

Michael Bravo- Right. This motion is no longer on the table; we are no longer dealing with this.

**MOTION 08/11/10: Review and Change of Procedure at Council Meetings**

*Not Carried.*

Marvin Ferrer- Can I do this thing that I wanted to do before? I want to propose a motion to strike the donation of \$1000 to Doctor's Without Borders for better criteria. Please someone second it this time so I can have a chance to speak.

**MOTION 08/11/10: Strike donation of \$1000 to Doctor's Without Borders (Haiti)**

Moved \_\_\_ Marvin Ferrer \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Logan Crowell \_\_\_ BIRT Council strikes Motion passed at February Council meeting to donate \$1000 to Doctor's Without Borders to aid in relief efforts in Haiti in wake of January 2010 earthquake.

**ORIGINAL MOTIONS FOR REFERENCE: MOTION 02/09/10: Emergency Motion**

Moved \_\_\_ Steve Osterberg/ \_\_\_ David Thompson \_\_\_ BIRT the SGPS Council donate \$500 to Doctors Without Borders to aid in the relief efforts in Haiti.

AND

**MOTION 02/09/10: Emergency Motion -1M**

Moved \_\_\_ Chris Harris/ \_\_\_ Steve Osterberg \_\_\_ BIRT the SGPS Council increase the amount to \$1000.

Marvin Ferrer- I was just now reading back on the discussion we had in February. It was very late at the time and people were exasperated that the meeting was taking so long so I propose that we check up on this now.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- Point of clarification- is this an emergency motion?

Michael Bravo- Because this is not an amendment, or anything like that, then you need to put forth through a motion in September.

Logan Crowell- There is no other meeting to discuss this.

Sean Richards- If we don't give this check in this month then we would have to approve a new budget. It has to be spent at the end of this month. For complication purposes we should do it now.

Michael Bravo- We can bring it up now, but need a 2/3 majority. That would be eight today. The motion is still up for discussion.

Marvin Ferrer- We passed this donation to aid Haiti and not Doctors Without Borders specifically. A lot of problems that I have are to development aid. I think that the decision aid was being made at the time because of a trendy idea. A lot of people are being affected by other environmental disasters around the world. The Haiti decision was a political decision and if it wasn't then we would be giving to Pakistan also. We need proper criteria. We can't keep making decisions because things are trendy or faddy. I am not saying we spend the money on ourselves but that we find and establish better criteria.

Jerome James- I totally agree with the fact that you shouldn't make trendy or hasty decisions, but we still have to make decisions and I would say that going forward we should have a budget that reflects our privileged position here at Queen's. We can look at the situation in Haiti, where over two million people are in need of housing. We are not turning our backs to other situations. But rescinding this motion is not the answer. We are having an ear to things that are going on around us. But I would implore us to find out whether this money is effective in a non established medical situation.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- I want to speak against rescinding this motion. I was at that council meeting. I fully support the donation. My only qualm was that we only have \$500 in the budget, but we have since made a decision to change that there. There was a significant majority passing this motion.

Sarah Waurechen- I wasn't at that council meeting but given our low attendance today, I would like to speak against this motion because most of the people who probably voted are not here. I would also like to discuss getting better criteria for donating to charities.

Patrick Cashin- Isn't there a limit to how many people can speak for or against the motion?

Micahel Bravo- Yes, three and we have reached it.

Logan Crowell- I think that this is a good motion. I hope to see at the next meeting a new motion for criteria on donation.

Anne-Marie Grondin- This is more for information, but did we find out how we are or were going to donate this?

Benjamin Grant- We need better policies and better criteria.

Marvin Ferrer- I wasn't saying keep the money. I was saying get better criteria and then donate the money. We didn't have enough money at the time. The recent flooding in Pakistan has caused more people harm than Haiti. My question is, will Jawad and Jillian speak to the hierarchy of the allocation of funds for natural disasters?

Michael Bravo- We need to keep to the Motion and the discussion at hand. I think that this is not an appropriate request. I don't think that you can ask those questions of them right now. Furthermore, the only reason I came back to you is because you had points of clarification about the motion. There is no other discussion for the clarification about the motion?

Jerome James- It was put forth to the finance person who said that there was a surplus that would cover the funds and it wasn't as if we were straining with money. It wasn't as quick and trendy as the member is proposing.

Michael Bravo- Let me just get this up and see what the specifics are.

Marvin Ferrer- the amendment was for \$1000 instead of \$500.

Michael Bravo- I am going to close discussion on this and call to vote. A vote in favour means you are rescinding. We need eight people to vote in favour.

Marvin Ferrer- Can we have a roll call?

Michael Bravo- Yes.

<b>Carried</b>	<b>Not Carried</b>	<b>Abstention</b>
Marvin Ferrer	Daniel Moore	Jawad Qureshy
Benjamin Grant	Jillian Burford-Grinnell	
Logan Crowell	Anne-Marie Grondin	
	Jerome James	
	Joe Steele	
	Mia Golder	
	Patrick Cashin	
	Eion O'Dwyer	
	Sarah Waurechen	

*Not Carried*

## **8. Other Business**

Ratification of Chief Returns Officer

Michael Bravo- Who is interested in running for CRO?

Mikhail Kellawan-I would just like to help out and contribute. I'm on the SKHS Council and I'm interested in getting involved.

Benjamin Grant- Could you just give us a run down of the duties of the CRO^

Michael Bravo- Sure, the CRO is involved in the elections process. Employed in September and April. He is in charge of organizing the elections and getting the general meetings, the all candidates meeting and setting up the actual elections

and voting areas around campus. There is a stipend for \$600 split up for both parts (September and April).

Benjamin Grant- I would just like to ask the candidate about electronic voting. The AMS has it, but we don't?

Mikhail Kellawan- I could look into this if you are interested. It would be about cost.

Sean Richards- I have been working with IT for the past year and a half or so and we will try and get this up for February and get this up and running. As a Council we can decide if we want to move to this.

Logan Crowell- Am I allowed to table this?

Michael Bravo- No. We need this position occupied for September.

Sean Richards- The ESS needs elections in September and has asked for us to take over.

Logan Crowell- Ironically enough, the Education students and Law students are not here, I just want to express opposition because this is a paid position.

Jillian Burford-Grinnell- This is a vacant position and has been vacant for a long time, if anyone was interested, they certainly had opportunities to express interest.

Logan Crowell- Yes, but we have new members constantly.

Michael Bravo- I guess that this is just something that needs to be done because of new stipulations on upcoming elections.

Benjamin Grant- What is going to happen if we say no?

Michael Bravo- If you say no, I will have to take over as CRO. This CRO position needs to be filled not only for the upcoming ESS elections as well as referendums. It becomes hard to juggle speaking duties, CRO duties, etc. You can vote nay but all that means is that I would be taking over.

Logan Crowell- Would it be possible to not fire someone in February?

Michael Bravo- You can propose this, but you would have change the bylaws.

Logan Crowell- Thanks for this.

## Vote on Ratification of new CRO

*Carried*

### 9. Notice of Motions/Announcements

Reports and Motions for the next regular Council meeting are due Tuesday, September 7th, 2010 at 4 pm.

The next regular SGPS Council meeting will be on Tuesday, September 14th, 2010.

Michael Bravo- Come on out to the Grad Club tonight!

### 10. Adjournment

MOTION **08/11/10:8**

Moved \_\_\_Jillian Burford-Grinnell\_\_\_ / \_\_\_Anne-Marie Grondin\_\_\_

BIRT the SGPS Council meeting be adjourned.

*Carried*

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Attached:

May Meeting Minutes

Attendance May Meeting

August Reports

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>	

COMPUTING	Mohammed Hussain	
CULTURAL STUDIES	Shannon Speed	
ECONOMICS	Derek Stacey	
ECONOMICS & JD COMBINED	<i>vacant</i>	
EDUCATION	Clara Baik	
EDUCATION	Alex Townsend	
EDUCATION (President)	Jarek Prwowarczyk	
EDUCATION (VP External)	Victoria Forbes	
EDUCATION (Graduate)	Chi Yan Lam	
EDUCATION (Graduate)	Terry Bridges	
ELEC & COMPUTER ENGINEERING	Ryan Bespalko	
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	
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	
PATHOLOGY & MOLECULAR	Mia Golder	X
PHARMACOLOGY & TOXICOLOGY	Mike Philbrook	
PHILOSOPHY	Andrew D.F. Ross	
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	
REHABILITATION (RESEARCH)	Mary Thurgood	
REHABILITATION (THERAPY)	Tessa Young	
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	Morgan Craig-Broadwith	
PRESIDENT	Jawad Qureshy	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	Carolyn Prouse	
SOCIAL COMMISSIONER	Abdullah Abunafeesa	X
RECTOR	Nick Day	

EDUCATION SENATOR	<i>vacant</i>	
GRAD SENATOR	<i>vacant</i>	
LAW SENATOR	Logan Crowell	X
THEOLOGY SENATOR	Erin Burns	
TRUSTEE	Benajmin Grant	X
CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER	<i>Mikhail Kellawan</i>	X
Sustainability Coordinator	<i>Ivana Zelenika</i>	
Equity Coordinator	<i>Lara-Szabo Greisman</i>	
COMMITTEE COORDINATOR	Laura Gale	
ABORIGINAL STUDENT REP	<i>vacant</i>	
ABORIGINAL STUDENT REP	Shauna Shiels	
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT Coordinator	Aasma Khan	
MATURE STUDENT REP	<i>vacant</i>	
PART-TIME STUDENT REP	Lisa Hughes	
LAW LSS President	Brianna Butchart	
AMS PRESIDENT	Safiah Chowdhury	