

# Council Meeting February 16th 2015 minutes (CO-20150216)

**Meeting Facilitator:** Ashley Fortier **Minutes Taker:** David Clos-Sasseville

## Final Agenda:

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  - 7.1 Department Manager and Campaigns Advocate
- 8. GSA Committee Appointments
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  - 8.3 Student Life
- 9. Other Business
  - 9.1 Oral report SGS council



# 9.2 CCR Update 10. Adjournment

### 1. Call to Order

The meeting is called to order at 6:01 pm

## 2. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion CO-20150216-01

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Moved by: Korosh Seconded by: Laura

Amendment-01

To make Councilors Appointment 3.1

Moved by: Korosh Seconded by: Jonathan

Amendent-02

Add CSU Daycare at 3.2

Moved by: Korosh Seconded by: Laura

Motion (CO-20150216-01) with amendments integrated

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Moved by: Korosh Seconded by: Laura

Adopted

#### 3. Council Business

## 3.1 Council appointment

Motion CO-20150216-02

Be It Resolved That the following persons be appointed as councilors:

Stas Khanutin (JMSB)

Sean Boivin (A&S)

Ribal Abiraad (A&S)

Abhijit Joshi (ENCS)

Sapandeep Singh Randhawa (ENCS)

Mathilde NgoMbom (JMSB)

Jaran Manuvel Mathew (ENCS)

Anastasia Llewellyn (A&S)

Isabelle Johnston (A&S)



Moved by: Jonathan Seconded by: Laura

Adopted

## 3.2 CSU Daycare

Motion CO-20150216-03

Be It Resolved That the following question be added to the next GSA referendum: "Do you as a member of the Graduate Student Association support collaborating with the Concordia Student Union to help establish affordable daycare services on campus to support student parent?"

Moved by: Isabelle Seconded by: Korosh Unanimously Adopted

## 3.3 Chair's report

**Note:** Isabelle notes that it is hard to have those discussions with so many executives absent.

# 3.4 Motion to update action items

## 4. Approval of January 18th Council meeting minutes

Motion CO-20150216-04

Be It Resolved That January 18<sup>th</sup> 2015 Council minutes be adopted.

Moved by: Ribal Seconded by: Isabelle

Adopted

## 5. Business Arising from the Minutes

**5.1 GSA Career Fair** 

#### **5.2 GSA Policies**

Motion CO-20150216-05

Be It Resolved That the VP Internal work with the staff to centralize all GSA policies on the GSA website by April 30th, 2015.

Moved by: Jonathan



Seconded by: Ribal

#### **Motion to rescind** *Motion CO-20150216-05*

Moved by: Jonathan Seconded by: Isabelle

Adopted

## 5.3 FB policy

Motion CO-20150216-06

Be It Resolved That the GSA Council approves the following policy statement:

Welcome to the Facebook group of Concordia's Graduate Student Association (GSA)! We encourage the active participation of all grad students in our community.

In order to keep this a friendly and respectful space for our members, the following rules have been put in place:

- no racist, sexist, homophobic, or otherwise discriminatory comments
- no slanderous accusations, personal attacks, or insults against anyone in our community
- no advertising for large, for-profit businesses, for those not managed by GSA members, or for those not in line with GSA mandates
- no "spamming" or frequent posting of the same thing

FIRST OFFENSE: the offending post will be deleted. SECOND OFFENSE: post deleted and the user will be removed from the group. THIRD OFFENSE: post deleted and the user will be permanently blocked.

(This policy was approved by the GSA Council of Directors on .)

Moved by: Jonathan Seconded by: Sean

Amendment-01

Remove: "-personal attacks, or insults"

Moved by: Isabelle Seconded by: Sean

**Noted Abstention:** Jonathan

Adopted

## Amendment-02

Add: The offenders will be messaged each time a post made by them is deleted explaining the reason.



Moved by: Isabelle Seconded by: Sean Adopted

# Motion to call the question on the main motion Adopted

Motion (CO-20150216-06) As amended

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Moved by: Jonathan Seconded by: Sean Adopted

### 5.4 Waste and recycling at GSA events

Motion CO-20150216-07

Be It Resolved That that the VP Internal and Services Manager work towards limiting waste, and recycling as much as possible at all GSA events.

Moved by: Jonathan Seconded by: Isabelle

Amendement-01



Add: Composting

Moved by: Isabelle Seconded by: Jonathan

Adopted

## Motion (CO-20150216-07) As Amended

Be It Resolved That that the VP Internal and Services Manager work towards limiting waste, and recycling and composting as much as possible at all GSA events.

Moved by: Jonathan Seconded by: Isabelle Adopted

### 5.5 BYLAW CHANGE: No elections in GA

Motion CO-20150216-08

Be It Resolved That the GSA Bylaws be modified to remove all elections from the GA.

Moved by: Jonathan Seconded by: Sean

Requires supermajority (two-thirds vote)

## Amendment

Add: and require a CRO to oversee the election process

Change: "Election" by "by-election".

Moved by: Isabelle Seconded by: Ribal

**Failed** 

## Call the question on the amendment

Moved by: Isabelle Seconded by: Sean

Adopted

## Call the question on the main Motion

Moved by: Sean



**Seconded by:** Isabelle **Adopted** 

Motion (CO-20150216-08) Unamended

Be It Resolved That that the GSA Bylaws be modified to remove all elections from the GA.

Moved by: Jonathan Seconded by: Sean

Requires supermajority (two-thirds vote)

**Fails** 

## Call for a break

Moved by: Ribal Seconded by: Laura

Adopted

## Call the meeting to order

Moved by: Ribal

**Seconded by:** Jonathan

Adopted

Motion CO-20150216-09

Be It Resolved that the council moves to item 6.4 of the agenda.

Moved by: Ribal

Seconded by: Jonathan

---Move directly to 6.4---

## **6.4 Elections**

Motion CO-20150216-10

Be It Resolved that the date of the election be March  $30^{th}$  to April  $1^{st}$ 

Be It Further Resolved that a Judicial Committee be formed and composed of Isabelle, Jonathan, Eftakhairul, Sindhura and an executive to be named.

Be It Further Resolved that the Hiring Committee be mandated to begin the process of hiring a CRO.



Be It Further Resolved that Isabelle, Sindhura be appointed to the Hiring Committee and anyone in a conflict of interest be required to resign.

Moved by: Jonathan Seconded by: Ribal Noted abstention: Ribal

Adopted

Motion to Call the question on the main motion

Moved by: Isabelle Seconded by: Jonathan

Adopted

Motion CO-20150216-11

Be It Resolved that the council moves to item 6.2 Senator appointment of the agenda.

Moved by: Isabelle Seconded by: Sean

**Noted Abstention:** Ribal

Adopted

---Move to 6.2---

## **6.2 Senator appointment**

Motion CO-20150216-12

Whereas current senator, Keroles Riad, is out of the country for four months and has consequently resigned his senate seat and GSA council seat.

Be It Resolved That GSA council accepts Marilou and Keroles's resignation.

Be It Further Resolved That the candidate next in line according to the most recent senate elections, Isabelle Johnston and Sean Boivin, be appointed as a senator to replace Keroles and Marilou.

Be It Further Resolved That Isabelle be appointed to Senate Finance committee.

Moved by: Sean Seconded by: Ribal

Amendment



Add: "Be It Further Resolved That they will be appointed for the current semester until May and then whoever wins the next election will take over following the final meeting."

Moved by: Ribal Seconded by: Sean Adopted

Call the question on the amendment

Moved by: Isabelle Seconded by: Sean Adopted

## Motion (CO-20150216-12) As amended

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Moved by: Sean Seconded by: Ribal

Noted abstention: Isabelle

Adopted

### Motion CO-20150216-13

Be It Resolved That the council deals with 6.3 as the last item of this meeting.

Be It Further Resolved That another meeting be called as early as possible in March

Be It Further Resolved That Gretchen will make another doodle.

Moved by: Isabelle



**Seconded by:** Eftakhairul **Adopted** 

# --- Move to 6.3 Funding---

# 6.3 Funding

Motion CO-20150216-14

Be It Resolved That the following people be appointed to the funding committee Ribal, Mathilde, Jawad.

Moved by: Sean Seconded by Isabelle Adopted.

Meeting Adjourned at 21:06



## **Annex 1: Attendance**

Council meeting January 16th, 2015 Attendance				
	Last Name	Given Name	Attended	
Executives				
President	Madnoune	Houda		
VP Internal	Patil	Rohit		
VP External	Khan	Mohammad Jawad	X	
VP Mobilization	Danish	Sheikh		
Directors				
A&S				
Appointed during the meeting	Abiraad	Ribal	X	
Appointed during the meeting	Boivin	Sean	X	
Appointed during the meeting	Johnston	Isabelle	X	
Appointed during the meeting	Llewellyn	Anastasia		
	Summers	Jonathan	X	
ENCS				
Appointed during the meeting	Joshi	Abhijit	X	
	Astaneh	Leili		
	Islam	Md. Eftakhairul	X	
	Koochekian Sabor	Korosh	X	
	Kumar	Vivek		
	Manthapuri	Sindhura	X	
Appointed during the meeting	Mathew	Jaran Manuvel	X	
Appointed during the meeting	Singh Randhawa	Sapandeep	X	
Fine Arts				
JMSB				
	Chen	Longren	X	
Appointed during the meeting	Khanutin	Stas	X	
Appointed during the meeting	Ngo Mbom	Mathilde	X	
SIP				



# **Annex 2: Observer Attendance**

Last Name	First Name	
Ocheoha	Alex	
Smith	Trevor	