

# Council Meeting November 18th 2014 minutes (CO-20141118)

Meeting Facilitator: Gretchen King Minutes Taker: David Clos-Sasseville

#### Final Agenda:

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  - 6.4 GSA Policies
  - 6.5 FB policy
  - 6.6 Health plan
- 7. GSA Committee Appointments
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  - 7.2 Equity Retreat
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  - 7.4 Other
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## 9.1 Oral report SGS council

## 10. Adjournment

#### 1. Call to Order

The meeting is called to order at 5pm

## 2. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion CO-20141118-01

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**Moved by:** Keroles **Seconded by:** Laura

Amendments

Add "3.4 Appointments"

All of New business will be moved automatically at 5pm

Add "6.4 GSA Policies"

Add "6.5 FB policy"

Add "6.6 Health plan"

#### Motion CO-20141118-02

Be It Resolved That the council overturn the Chairs ruling that motion 6.2 is improper.

Moved by: Isabelle Seconded by: Keroles

**Oposition noted:** Korosh, Mathilde, Harkirat

**Abstention noted:** Jon

Adopted

#### Motion CO-20141118-03

BIRT the Council extend Speaking right to Firas

Moved by: Isabelle Seconded by: Deanne

Amendment

Extend speaking right to all observers

Moved by: Keroles Seconded by: Jon

Adopted



## Motion (CO-20141118-03) as Amended

Be It Resolved That the Council extend Speaking right to all observers

Moved by: Isabelle Seconded by: Deanne Abstention noted: Ribal

**Adopted** 

Motion to Omnibus all amendments

Moved by: Sean Seconded by: Keroles

**Adopted** 

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**Moved by:** Keroles **Seconded by:** Laura

Adopted

#### 3. Council Business

## 3.1 Chair's report

#### Action Item

<u>Bylaw Committee</u> will discuss possible amendments that would provide a clearer framework for the creation of new staff positions and the filling of these positions in the future, including a provision for emergency situations. <u>Bylaw committee</u> will also discuss BOG representative, their independence, who should fulfill this role.

The <u>President</u> and the <u>Academic/Advocacy</u> represent GSA on graduate class sizes through monitoring, creating awareness, and advocating for a case by case assessment by Dec GA.

<u>Academic/Advocacy</u> and <u>Advocacy Manager</u> will request of the administration to stop sharing students info to third parties without consent.

[Completed] <u>Communication Manager</u> will issue an apology and promise to host events at venues that do not promote discriminatory policies in the next newsletter.

Financial report for GA should include a broad overview of the finances and a report on the Budget committee. <u>Sean</u> will present the Financial report along with <u>Jawad</u> and <u>Rohit</u>.

<u>Council</u> needs to strike a Equity Retreat Committee to organize a Special Council Retreat on Equity and Diversity to be held in January 2015.

<u>VP Mobilization</u> and the <u>GA committee</u> adopt an aggressive mobilization campaign for this coming GA at Loyola on Monday December 1st at Loyola.

Council's master action list needs to also include a time line.

#### **TIME FRAME?**



<u>BDS Committee</u> to investigate Concordia's relationship with the State of Israel and its institutions.

<u>VP Mobilization</u> and <u>Departments Manager</u> organize a GSA Arts & Science Congress and Fine Arts Congress in collaboration with Directors from each of these faculties.

<u>Executive Committee</u> will budget for and conduct a financial audit for the 2014-2015 fiscal year.

<u>Dept Manager</u> and <u>GSA President</u> will support the inclusion of DOEIGSA members in the DESC Space Committee and monitor the situation to ensure that the Faubourg building is renovated to meet students' needs.

<u>GradProSkills committee</u>, Keroles, Korosh, Trevor, Rohit and Jawad are mandated to negotiate the cost of GradProSkill French classes.

**Note: Keroles Resigns from this task** 

## 3.2 Funding Committee Update

Motion CO-20141118-04

Be It Resolved That the Council adopt the funding committee report.

Moved by: Jon

Seconded by: Keroles

Adopted

### 3.3 Resignations

Motion CO-20141118-05

Be It Resolved That the Council recognize that Utkarsh missed more than 2 council meetings and be asked to resign.

Moved by: Korosh Seconded by: Leili

Motion to table

Motion to table Motion (CO-) to next meeting, pending motion from Korosh.

Moved by: Jon



**Seconded by:** Mathilde **Adopted** 

## 3.4 Appointments

## 4. Approval of Nov. 5th Council meeting minutes

Motion CO-20141118-06

Be It Resolved That the Council approves November 5<sup>th</sup> 2014 meeting minutes

**Moved by:** Laura **Seconded by:** Keroles

**Unanimous** 

Motion CO-20141118-07

Be It Resolved That the budget is tabled to the December council meeting, pending a budget committee meeting.

Moved by: Ribal

Seconded by: Mathilde

Adopted

**Note:** Verify if the Bursary on the website has been updated since last changes.

## 5. Business Arising from the Minutes

### **5.1 Budget Committee**

**Note:** Roddy will send an excel version of the budget to the Council before next meeting.

#### 5.2 GA Items

Motion CO-20141118-08

Be It Resolved That the GSA GA be Live streamed.

Be It Further Resolved That a GSA staff person be responsible for coordinating this and the person doing the work receive an honorarium.

**Moved by:** Keroles **Seconded by:** Jon



## Adopted

#### Motion CO-20141118-09

Whereas the most recent General Assembly lost quorum before addressing motions regarding anti-austerity and anti-pipeline mobilization;

Whereas these are pressing, time-sensitive issues that need to be addressed by the Council of Directors before the next General Assembly;

Be It Resolved That the Council of Directors endorse the November 29 demonstration against government austerity and cuts to education and other public services, organized by Refusons l'austérité;

Be It Further Resolved That the VP Mobilization work with staff responsible for campaigns and communications to encourage the participation of all GSA members in these events.

Moved by: Jon

Seconded by: Isabelle

Adopted

#### Motion CO-20141118-10

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  - 2.6 Motion recording of minority votes in council meeting
  - 2.7 "Concerns about the procedures and content issues..."
  - 2.8 Elections (VP/Councillor presentations, question period, and ballot vote)
- 3. New business
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  - 4.1 Announcement of election results
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## Moved by the GA Committee

#### Amendment

Be It Resolved That Item "2.8 Elections (VP/Councillor presentations, question period, and ballot vote)" becomes the new 2.1 and the numbering adjusted accordingly.

Moved by: Jon Seconded by: Keroles Adopted

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# **Moved by the GA Committee Adopted**



## Motion CO-20141118-11

Be It Resolved That the council have a 5 minutes break.

Moved by: Korosh Seconded by: Isabelle

Adopted

#### Motion CO-20141118-12

Whereas the government of Quebec is planning <u>additional cuts to universities on top of its planned \$172 million</u>, and as much as <u>\$1 billion in cuts to education</u>, in the context of so-called austerity measures referred to as "budgetary compressions"

Whereas Concordia University has been requested to make \$15.7 million in cuts to its own budget, and has already begun this process by attempting to eliminate 180 jobs through its "Voluntary Departure Program"

Whereas the quality and accessibility of our education is directly and negatively impacted by austerity measures, as is our society as a whole, and especially its most vulnerable members

Whereas austerity measures are part of a larger neoliberal trend of raising user fees while decimating public services (healthcare, childcare, pensions, etc.) at a time when the wealthiest people and the largest corporations are enjoying record profits and decreasing taxes

Whereas such measures have been denounced by experts worldwide, including <u>Nobel-prize winning economist Joseph Stiglitz</u>, as well as organizations from <u>OXFAM</u> to the <u>International Monetary Fund (IMF)</u>

Whereas various student, worker, and community associations at Concordia and across Quebec are currently organizing against austerity, with talk of a potential escalation of tactics in Spring 2015, including the group <u>Solidarity 2015 Concordia</u>

Be It Resolved That the GSA denounce the prevailing government discourse of austerity and "budgetary compressions," and advocate for more just and sustainable economic solutions (such as progressive taxation, addressing tax evasion and corruption, and making corporations and the wealthy pay their fair share)

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Be It Further Resolved That the GSA support the group Solidarity 2015 Concordia and other anti-austerity initiatives at Concordia and elsewhere, with the aim of halting



government budget cuts to public services, through an escalation of tactics over the coming months

Be It Further Resolved That the GSA Campaigns Committee and campaigns budget be charged with event planning, mobilization, education, the production of materials, and other activities associated with its commitment to the anti-austerity movement

Moved by: Jon Seconded by: Leili

### Amendment

Add after "coming months", "while respecting the community's rights and safety"

Moved by: Keroles Seconded by: Mathilde Request for a Roll Call Fails Adopted

#### Motion (CO-20141118-12) As Amended

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Moved by: Jon Seconded by: Leili

**Opposition noted:** Ribal

Adopted

#### Motion CO-20141118-13

Be It Resolved That the Council table the following Item 5.3, 5.5, 5.6, 5.8, & 5.10.

Moved by: Mathilde Seconded by: Laura

**Opposition notes:** Korosh, Ribal

Adopted

#### Motion CO-20141118-14

Be It Resolved That the following GA budget be approved.

## **Proposed General Assembly Budget**

Type	Amount	Notes
Transportation	\$ 1,000.00	2 Buses to Loyola
Food	\$ 300.00	Coffee, Apples, Granola Bar
		Minute Taker (1), Mood Watcher (1), Noise
Employees	\$ 600.00	Watchers (4), Scrutineers (2)
Breakfast	\$ 200.00	Mobilization Event
Equipment	\$ 400.00	Microphones, etc.
Print	\$ 500.00	Posters, Flyers
Total	\$ 3,000.00	



Moved by the GA Committee Opposition: Ribal, Keroles Abstention: Deanne, Isabelle

**Note:** Ribal ask for a break down of the December 1<sup>st</sup> and future GA budget to brought to the next Council meeting.

### 5.4 Bylaw Change: Ballot Elections

Adopted

Motion CO-20141118-15

Whereas the current bylaws state in Article XIV, section 8: "By-elections <u>can be</u> conducted by secret ballot in accordance with Sections 4 and 5 of this article and the Electoral By-Laws of the G.S.A., or through a General Assembly, during which a secret ballot <u>can take place if the members present vote for this option."</u>

BIRT Council amends Article XIV, section 8, to state: "By-elections <u>shall</u> be conducted by secret ballot... or through a General Assembly, during which a secret ballot <u>shall take</u> place, unless unanimously adopted otherwise."

Moved by the By-law Committee
Requires supermajority (two-thirds vote)
Adopted by a Two-third Majority

---5.9 GSA & CCR Database (moved after 6.2)---

#### 6. New Business

---6.1 Respecting Our BDS Mandate (moved after 5.9)---

## 6.2 Sanctioning Mostapha Marzban

Motion CO-20141118-16

Whereas the actions of Mostapha Marzban at the Graduate Students' Association General Assembly on October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2014, (as attendees reported privately, as well as publicly in written articles <sup>1</sup> and via Facebook comments on several personal and Concordia student

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<sup>&</sup>quot;When a motion was put forth for a revote, Mostapha Marzban, VP Finance for the Engineering and Computer Science Graduate Association, threatened that his large constituency would reject every motion if members dared to



associations' pages<sup>2</sup>) included:

- 1- Making comments toward the General Assembly that were disrespectful to its members and to the very ideals of popular democracy.
- 2- Encouraging intimidating and disrespectful behaviour in others.
- 3- Interfering with the Graduate Students' Association's ability to represent the interests of its members.
- 4- Attempting to direct votes.

Whereas these actions were detrimental to the honour and interest of the Graduate Students' Association;

Whereas Robert's Rules of Order, the rules that govern the General Assembly when the Graduate Student Association's own bylaws do not address a given issue, stipulate that a deliberative assembly has the inherent right to make and enforce its own laws and punish an offender (72);

Whereas Robert's Rules of Order stipulates that the Assembly has the right to eject any one from its place of Meeting, either by a rule or by a vote, and "it is the duty of the chairperson to enforce the rule of order, using whatever force is necessary to eject the party" (73).

Be It Resolved That a just sanction shall be determined by Council during the November 18<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting, and that this sanction shall be brought to the December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 General Assembly;

Be It Further Resolved That all voting on this issue at the December 1<sup>st,</sup> 2014 General Assembly shall be done by secret ballot in order ensure that all members are able to vote their true sentiments;

Be It Further Resolved That a letter shall be sent to Mostapha Marzban by registered mail a minimum of seven (7) days prior to the December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 General Assembly

contest the election results."(Jonathan Summers, "The Graduate Students' Association Becomes a Circus", October 28, 2014.

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informing him of said sanction by Council and that it shall be addressed at the December 1<sup>st,</sup> 2014 General Assembly;

Be it Further Resolved That the Graduate Students' Association shall remind Mostapha Marzban, in this letter, of the Assembly's right, as per Robert's Rules of Order, either by a rule or by a vote, to eject any one from its place of meeting, and that "it is the duty of the chairperson to enforce the rule of order, using whatever force is necessary" to eject the party.

Moved by: Isabelle Seconded by: Deanne

Motion to go in closed session for everyone in the room.

Moved by: Mathilde Seconded by: Ribal

Amendment

Just for Council and council staff.

Moved: Jon

**Seconded:** Harkirat

**Abstention Noted: Ribal** 

Adopted

As Amended: Motion to go in closed session just for Council and council staff.

Moved by: Mathilde Seconded by: Ribal

**Adopted** 

*Amendment to motion (CO-20141118-16)* 

Be It Resolved That the following clause be removed:

"Be It Resolved That a just sanction shall be determined by Council during the November 18<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting, and that this sanction shall be brought to the December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 General Assembly;"

And

"Be It Further Resolved That all voting on this issue at the December 1<sup>st,</sup> 2014 General Assembly shall be done by secret ballot in order ensure that all members are able to vote their true sentiments;

Be It Further Resolved That "and that it shall be addressed at the December 1<sup>st,</sup> 2014 General Assembly;" be removed from the third clause

Be It Further Resolved That to Replace "Mostapha Marzban in this letter" by



"every GSA GA participants" in the last clause.

Moved by: Ribal Seconded by: Deanne

Sub-amendment

Add: Be It Further Resolved That the Third clause be removed.

Moved by: Korosh
Seconded by: Mathilde
Adopted

## Amendment As Sub-amended

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Moved by: Ribal Seconded by: Deanne Adopted

*Call of the question* 

Adopted by a two-third majority.

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Moved by: Isabelle Seconded by: Deanne

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**Opposition noted:** Isabelle, Deanne **Abstention noted:** Ribal, Keroles

Adopted

Motion to come out of closed session

**Moved by:** Keroles **Seconded by:** Korosh

Adopted

Motion CO-20141118-17

Motion to adjourn

Moved by: Harkirat Seconded by: Ribal

**Failed** 

#### ---Back to 5.9 GSA & CCR Database ---

Motion CO-20141118-18

Be It Resolved That to mandate the VP Academic to compile exec, Council, Committee positions into the CCR databases

Moved by: Kero Seconded by: Leili

**Adopted** 

### ---Back 6.1 Respecting Our BDS Mandate ---

Motion CO-20141118-19

Be It Resolved That council mandate the VP external write and publish a letter to support BDS yes campaign in CSU referendum, by Friday November 21<sup>st</sup>.

Moved by: Jon

Seconded by: Jawad

Amendment-01

Change the motion to give the writing of the letter mandate to the BDS committee.

Moved by: Korosh Seconded by: Leili



## **Adopted**

Amendment-02

Change VP External for VP Mobilization.

Moved by: Mathilde Seconded by: Ribal Adopted

Motion (CO-20141118-19) as Amended

Be It Resolved That council mandate the BDS Committee to write a letter to support BDS yes campaign in CSU referendum and mandates the VP Mobilization to publish it by Friday November 21<sup>st</sup>.

Moved by: Jon Seconded by: Jawad Adopted

---Back to the Agenda---

#### 6.3 GSA Career Fair

Motion CO-20141118-20

Whereas building engineering students have a lower hiring ratio among other engineering students;

Whereas every time that Concordia prepares a career fair, there are few relevant companies that building engineers and all GSA members can refer and ask their questions;

Whereas many GSA members are international students and may not have enough information about the employment market;

Be it resolved that the VP Internal survey GSA members about their interest in participating in a GSA Career Fair;

Be it further resolved this survey ask what companies GSA members would like to see participating in a GSA Career Fair (such as building engineers, architects, construction managers, etc.);

Be it further resolved the VP External act on the survey results by inviting the suggested companies;



Be it further resolved the survey be completed by January 15 so the VP External can act quickly to contact companies;

Be it further resolved the VP Internal prepare an informal and informative event to let students mingle and ask their questions;

Be it further resolved that if many GSA members express interest, the VP Internal and External will prepare for two GSA Career Fairs before the end of Winter semester.

Moved by: Leili Seconded by: Keroles

Motion to table the motion to December Council

Moved by: Ribal

Seconded by: Mathilde

**Adopted** 

The meeting move directly to urgent items.

---7. GSA Committee Appointments---

Motion CO-20141118-21

Nomination of Ribal (A&S) and Mathilde (JMSB) for the Budget Committee

Moved by: Jon

Seconded by: Keroles

**Adopted** 

The Quorum is lost at 6:08pm



# **Annex 1: Attendance**

Council meeting November 18th, 2014 Attendance				
	Last Name	Given Name	Attended	
Executives				
President	Madnoune	Houda	X	
VP Internal	Patil	Rohit	X	
VP External	Khan	Mohammad Jawad	X	
VP Mobilization	Danish	Sheikh	X	
Directors				
A&S				
	Beraldo	Deanne	X	
	Boivin	Sean	X	
	Johnston	Isabelle	X	
	Abiraad	Ribal	X	
	Salimi Darestani	Shadi	X	
	Summers	Jonathan	X	
ENCS				
	Kumar	Vivek		
	Choudhary	Utkarsh		
	Kolan	Sriharsha		
	Manthapuri	Sindhura		
	Koochekian Sabor	Korosh	X	
	Islam	Md. Eftakhairul		
	Astaneh	Leili	X	
	Singh	Harkirat	X	
	Majumdar	Suryadipta		
Fine Arts				
	André	Marilou		
JMSB				
	Ngo Mbom	Mathilde	X	
	Chen	Longren	X	
SIP				
	Riad	Keroles	X	



# **Annex 2: Observer**

Observer					
Last Name	Given Name	Faculty			
Parvin	Soroush	ENCS			
Nelson	Katie				
Di Penna	Nick				
Sonin	Robert	A&S			
Kovacenic	Milos	Journalist, The Concordian			
Yeshwanth	Kumar	ENCS			
Ocheoha	Alex	ENCS			
Colford	Liz	Staff			
Duraichelvan	Raju	ENCS			
Pirniya	Gounash	ENCS			
Osman	Ashraf	ENCS			
Hassanbeiglou	Alireza	ENCS			
Fellahjahromi	Ali	ENCS			
Kagenij	Amirbahram	ENCS			
Tarik	M. Salman	ENCS			
Yaken	Sameli	ENCS			
Hamrahi	Farhang	MBA			
Mostapha	Marzban	ENCS			
Giesbrecht	Michael				
Al Hammoud	Firas	A&S			