



## Graduate Students' Association

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# Minutes

## GSA Regular Council Meeting

16 February 2012

CSU Lounge, H-700, 1455 De Maisonneuve Blvd.. Montreal

### Attendance

*Chair:* Robert Sonin, Alex Matak

*Voting Directors:* Mohammad Nurujjaman Beajon (ENCS), Zouhair Briqech (ENCS), Natheer Alatawneh (ENCS), Mohammed Khader (ENCS), Manu Jain (ENCS), , Matthew MacDonald (Arts and Science), Roxanne Desforges (Arts and Science), Daria Saryan (Arts and Science), Richard Hinton (Arts and Science), Erik Chevrier (Arts and Science), Nadia Hausfather (Interdisciplinary), Edyta Niemyjska (Arts and Science), Nathan Williams (JMSB), Hossain Maleki (JMSB), Emily Paige (Fine Arts)

*Non-Voting Directors:* Holly Nazar (Vice-President External), Robert Sonin (President)

*Observers:* Andy Yuen (Finance Manager), Mark Schilling (Services Manager), Golam M Aurup (Secretary)

*Regrets:* Roddy Doucet (Advocacy Manager), Phalpinder Singh Gill (Vice-President Internal), Eric Martineau (JMSB)

*Absent:* Adnan Abueid (ENCS), Fred Giard (JMSB), Vinith Anand (ENCS),

### Documents

CD-120216-01 Notice of Meeting

CD-120216-02 Agenda

CD-120216-03 Agenda (Long Form)

CD-120216-04 Report of the President

CD-120216-05 Report of the Vice-President External

CD-120216-06 Report of the Advocacy Manager

CD-120216-07 Report of the Finance Manager

CD-120216-08 Report of the Service Manager

CD-120216-09 Proposed Budget

CD-120216-10 Proposed Amendments to GSA Bylaws

### 1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm.

### 2. Adoption of the Agenda

Upon motion duly moved and seconded (Daria, Edyta), it was unanimously RESOLVED:

*CDR-120118-01 The Agenda (CD-120216-02) be adopted with amendment to add selection of Chair.*

Upon motion duly moved and seconded (Erik, Nathan), it was unanimously RESOLVED:

*CDR-120216-02 Alex Matak be the Chair for GSA Council Meetings.*

### 3. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Upon motion duly moved and seconded (Edyta, Erik), it was unanimously RESOLVED:

*CDR-120216-03 The Minutes (CD-120118-M) be adopted.*

### 4. General Assembly for 6 March 2012

Upon motion duly moved and seconded (Edyta, Erik), it was RESOLVED: ten voted for the motion and one abstained.

*CDR-120216-04 General Assembly is hereby called for 6 March 2012. The agenda items will be: 1) Call to Order 2) Approval of the Agenda 3) Information Session on Tuition Increase 4) Vote on Strike 5) Information Session on Bylaw Change 6) Vote on Bylaw Change 7) Information Session on CLASSE 8) Vote to Join CLASSE 9) Adjournment.*

Upon amendment duly moved and seconded, it was RESOLVED: Ten voted for the motion, One voted against.

*CDR-120216-05 Other Business is added to agenda of General Assembly*

### 5. Motion to Join CLASSE

Upon motion duly moved and seconded (Beajon, Edyta), it was RESOLVED: Ten voted for the motion and one abstained.

*CDR-120216-06 The GSA will pursue membership in the 'Coalition large de l'Association pour une Solidarité Syndicale Étudiante' (CLASSE).*

### 6. Executive Reports

#### *6.1 President*

See document CD-120216-04 for report

#### *6.2 VP External*

See document CD-120216-05 for report

#### *6.3 Advocacy Manager*

See document CD-120216-06 for report

#### *6.4 Finance Manager*

See document CD-120216-07 for report and CD-120216-09 for proposed budget

#### *6.5 Service Manager*

See document CD-120216-08 for report

Upon duly moved and seconded (Emily, Mathew), it was unanimously resolved  
CDR-120216-07 Clarify process of all funding application and make the list of applications public

## 7. Committee Reports

Upon motion duly moved and seconded (Nadia, Natheer), it was unanimously RESOLVED:

*CDR-120118-08 FEM Budget to be discussed as item 7.1.1*

### 7.1.1 Motion to authorize FEM budget

Upon motion duly moved and seconded (Roxanne, Daria), it was RESOLVED: Ten voted for the motion, two abstained.

*CDR-120118-9 GSA will allocate 3000\$ to FEM from Campaigns budget*

## 7.2 Budget Committee Report

### 7.2.1 Motion to update the budget

Upon motion duly moved and seconded (Mathew, Nathan), it was unanimously RESOLVED.

CDR-120118-10 The GSA annual budget is amended as detailed in document CD-120217-09.

### 7.2.2 Motion to authorize payment to RAE

Upon motion duly moved and seconded (Nathan, Edyta), it was RESOLVED: Eleven voted for the motion, one abstained

CDR-120118-11 The GSA will contribute funds to RAE as necessary to cover recently incurred costs.

## 8. Appointments

### 8.1 Appointment of Interim VP Internal

Upon motion duly moved and seconded (Mohammad, Nadia), it was unanimously RESOLVED

CDR-120118-12 Daria Saryan is appointed Interim VP Internal effective immediately until 31 May 2012.

## 9. Adjournment

Upon motion duly moved and seconded (Nathan, Mathew), Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm

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Golam M. Aurup  
Secretary

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Alex Matak  
Chair