

**General Assembly January 30<sup>th</sup> 2014 Minutes  
EV 1.615**

**(GA-20140130)**

**Meeting Facilitator: Gretchen  
Minute Taker: Alex**

**Final Agenda:**

0. Announcements
1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Appointment of Chair, Secretary, and Mood Watcher
4. Approval of the Minutes (both April 30 & November 8)
5. Business Arising
  - 5.1 Elections
    - 5.1.1 Appointment of Scrutineers (vote counters)
    - 5.1.2 Assembly decides on secret ballot or public elections
    - 5.1.3 Elections - (2 Arts & Science, 1 Fine Arts, 1 JMSB Directors, 2 Executives, and 1 Senator)
    - 5.1.3-b Motion to amend GSA Bylaws Article VIII.2 and Articles IX.4 and IX.5 \*\* note to do this point before VP elections \*\*
  - 5.2 President's Report
  - 5.3 Council Honorariums (submitted by Council)
  - 5.4 Ratification of Referendum result on Advocacy fee
  - 5.5 Motion to amend GSA Bylaws Articles V, XII and XIII (submitted by members' petition)
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**1. Call to order**

The meeting is called to order at 6:31pm

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

*Motion GA-20140130-01*

Be It Resolved That the following agenda be approved:

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  - a. Report to GA from President
  - b. Motion to amend GSA Bylaws Article VIII.2 and Articles IX.4 and IX.5
  - c. Elections (2 Executives; 2 Arts & Science, 1 Fine Arts, and 1 JMSB Council Directors; plus 1 Senator )
  - d. Council Honorariums
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**Mover:** Omid (Computer science, ENCS)

**Secunder:** Aubyn (English)

*Amendment – 01*

Be It Resolved to move all of 6.0 new business to become the new 5.3

**Mover:** Vignesh (ENCS)

**Secunder:** Mohit (ENCS)

**Fails by clear majority**

*Amendment – 02*

Be It resolved to move election 5.3 to 5.1

**Mover:** Pooria (ENCS)

**Secunder:** Ali (ENCS)

**Passed with clear majority**

**Noted opposition:** Geneviève (Fine Arts), Angus (Education),

*Amendment – 03*

Be It Resolved to move 5.3 directly before election for executive (VP) seats as 5.1.3-b \*to come before executive elections

**Mover:** Omid (ENCS)

**Secunder:** Korosh (ENCS)

**Passes by clear majority**

*Motion as amended (GA-20140130-01)*

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**Secunder:** Aubyn (English)

**Adopted**

### **3. Appointment of Chair, Secretary, and Mood Watcher**

*Motion GA-20140130-02*

Motion to approve Meeting Facilitator: Gretchen and Minute Taker: Alex

**Mover:** Omid (ENCS)

**Secunder:** Geneviève (Fine Arts)

**passed by clear majority**

### **4. Approval of the Minutes (both April 30 & November 8)**

*Motion GA-20140130-03*

Be It Resolved That the minutes for April 30<sup>th</sup> 2013 GA and November 8<sup>th</sup> 2013 GA (GA-20131108) be approved.

**Mover:** Firas (Arts and Science)  
**Secunder:** Holly (Arts and Science)

*Motion: to call to question*

**Mover:** Mostafa (ENCS)  
**Secunder:** Omid (ENCS)  
**passed with a 2/3 majority**

Be It Resolved That the minutes for April 30<sup>th</sup> 2013 GA and November 8<sup>th</sup> 2013 GA (GA-20131108) be approved.

**Mover:** Firas (Arts and Science)  
**Secunder:** Holly (Arts and Science)  
**Passed with clear majority**

**Notes:**

Amend the minutes to reflect that the vote to cancel cable and put money to the HIV/AIDS project was passed

Suggestion to include minutes with call out for the GA.

## **5. Business Arising**

### **5.1 Elections**

#### **5.1.1 Appointment of Scrutineers (vote counters)**

*Motion GA-20140130-04*

Be It Resolved That Deepak and Léonard Leprince be the Scrutineer for the elections.

**Mover:** Trevor (Arts and Science)  
**Secunder:** Natasha (?)  
**Passed with clear majority**

#### **5.1.2 Assembly decides on secret ballot or public elections**

*Motion GA-20140130-05*

Be It Resolved that the vote is made via secret ballot for the entire election process.

**Mover:** Marie-Hélène (Arts and Science)  
**Secunder:** Pooia (ENCS)  
**Fails with clear majority**

*Motion GA-20140130-06*

Be It Resolved that the votes for council seats be made by secret ballot, and the rest by public elections (show of voting cards).

**Mover:** Faida (Arts)

**Seconder:** Audrey (Arts and Science)  
**Passes with clear majority**

*Motion GA-20140130-07*

Be It Resolved That the Assembly begin with 5.1.3-b (motion to amend bylaws), followed by VP, then Senate by public elections, and finally council seats by secret ballot

**Motion:** Omid (ENCS)

**Second:** Mostafa (ENCS)

**Passed with clear majority**

**5.1.3 Elections - (2 Arts & Science, 1 Fine Arts, 1 JMSB Directors, 2 Executives, and 1 Senator)**

*Motion GA-20140130-08*

Be It Resolved That the Assembly have a 5 min question period with 30 second response time for any candidate who wants to respond

**Mover:** Nadia (Arts and Science)

**Seconder:** Farida (Arts and Science)

**Fails with clear majority**

*Motion GA-20140130-09*

Be It Resolved That GSA Bylaws Article VIII.2 and Articles IX.4 and IX.5 be amended as follow:

Delete “d) The Vice-President Mobilization.” and “e) The Vice-President Academic/Advocacy” in article VIII.2.

Delete the entirety of sections 4 and 5 in Article IX.

**Mover:** Roddy (Arts and Science)

**Seconder:** Arun (ENCS)

*Motion to call to question*

**Mover:** Omid (ENCS)

**Seconder:** Ossama (ENCS)

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**Mover:** Roddy (Arts and Science)

**Secunder:** Arun (ENCS)  
**Fails with clear majority**  
**Noted opposition:** Trevor (Arts and Science)

*Motion GA-20140130-10*

Be It Resolved That the door of the GA be closed for the duration of the election.

**Mover:** Roddy (Arts and Science)  
**Secunder:** Ossama (ENCS)  
**Fails with clear majority**

**Election results**

*Newly elected executives:*

Shewetaank Indora - VP Academic/Advocacy  
Robert Sonin - VP Mobilization

*Newly elected Graduate Student Representative on Concordia's Senate :*

Firas al Hammoud

*Newly elected Councilors:*

Marilou Andrey - Fine Arts  
Juliette Lees - Arts and Science  
Marie-Helen Vanier - Arts and Science

VP Academic/Advocacy Results	
Name (plus Mover and Secunder)	Results
Shewetaank Indora Mover: Chetan Secunder: Pavan	55
Mostapha Marzban Mover: Omid Secunder: Ehsan	27
Alex Ilobuchi Ocheoha Mover: Ola Secunder: Farida	22
Robert Sonin Mover: Roddy Secunder: Omid	14

VP Mobilization Results	
Name (plus Mover and Seconder)	Results
Robert Sonin Mover: Roddy Seconder: Omid	58
Rohit M. Patil Mover: Osama Seconder: Pratik	54
Shide Salimi Mover: Ola Seconder: Farida	9

*Motion GA-20140130-11*

Be It Resolved That Firas Al Hammoud be elected as Graduate Student Representative on Concordia's Senate.

**Mover:** Holly (Arts and Science)

**Seconder:** Ola (?)

**Vote:** 46 For, 1 Against, 5 Abstentions

**Passes by a clear majority**

Fine Arts Councillor	
Name (plus Mover and Seconder)	Results
Marilou Andrey Mover: Geneviève Seconder: ?	Unanimous

Arts and Science Councilors	
Name (plus Mover and Seconder)	Results
Juliette Lees Mover: Trevor Seconder: Laura	Unanimous
Marie-Hélène Vanier Mover: ? Seconder: ?	Unanimous

## 5.2 President's Report

The Item is tabled

**Note:** Please read report in package.

## 5.3 Council Honorariums

**Quorum called at 9:06pm (32 individuals), quorum lost the meeting is adjourned.**

The following point are tabled due to adjournment:

- 5.4 Ratification of Referendum result on Advocacy fee
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## **8. Closing**

**Meeting is adjourned at 9:08pm**