

Council Meeting July 31st 2015 minutes (CO-20150731)

Meeting Facilitator: Alex Ocheoha followed by Ribal Abi Raad
Minutes Taker: David Clos-Sasseville

Present

Councillors: Vivek Khatri (ENCS), Julie Arrowsmith (A&S), Carolina Aponte (FA), Jasneet Kaur (ENCS), Aidan Macdonald (JMSB), Aria Azami (ENCS), Sapandeep Randhawa (ENCS), Mathilde Ngo Mbom (JMSB), Rahul Kumar (ENCS), Keroles Riad (Indi).

Executives: Surekha Reddy Kolli (VP Internal), Bhavreet Gill (VP Mobilization), Alex Ocheoha (President), Jawad Khan Mohammad (VP External), Rupinder Kaur (VP Academic/Advocacy).

Staff: Vinay Paramanand, David Clos-Sasseville, Gretchen King, Mahmood Salehi.

Absent

Councillors: Carine Ouedraogo (A&S).

Executives:

With Regrets: Stephi Stavropoulos (A&S), Nirmal Desai (ENCS), Pempho Kamwendo (A&S), Caitlin Robinson (A&S), Victor Molina (A&S), Ashley Michel (JMSB), Narinder Singh Lota (ENCS), Dollar Kumar Bansal (ENCS), Amandeep Narula (ENCS).

Final Agenda:

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 - 3.1 Appointment of Chair
 - 3.2 Recording Minority Votes
 - 3.3 Monthly Council Meetings
 - 3.4 Council Tasks
4. Approval of June 29th Council meeting minutes
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 - 5.2 Health and dental insurance update
 - 5.3 Advocacy Center Resource Allocation
 - 5.4 Vacant Advocacy Manager Position
 - 5.5 Vacant Service Manager Position
 - 5.6 New Filing System
6. New Business

- 6.1 Fall 2015 General Assembly
- 6.2 Research Committee
- 6.3 Repeal FB Campaign Ban
- 7. GSA Committee Appointments
 - 7.1 Appointments/academic committee
 - 7.2 Funding
 - 7.3 Bylaws
 - 7.4 Research
 - 7.5 BUDGET committee
 - 7.6 Insurance committee
 - 7.7 Communication committee
- 8. Reports
 - 8.1 Department/Campaigns Manager
 - 8.2 Finance Manager
 - 8.3 President
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 - 8.5 VP Internal
 - 8.6 VP External
 - 8.7 VP Mobilization
- 9. Other Business
- 10. CFS case conclusion briefing (Closed session)*
- 11. Appointment of Chair and Secretary (Closed session)*
- 12. New Finance Manager Employment Contract (Closed session)*
- 13. Outreach Coordinator Position (Closed session)*
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1. Call to Order

The meeting is called to order at 18:33pm

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion CO-20150731-01

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Moved by: Keroles
Seconded by: Aria

Amendment

Be it resolved that the following change be applied to the proposed agenda: Item 6.4, 6.5 and 6.6 to be moved under Council business, Item 5.7 to 5.10 to be moved after other business, Item 8 to be interchanged with 7.

Moved by: Keroles
Seconded by: Aria
Adopted

Motion (CO-20150731-01) as amended

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Moved by: Keroles
Seconded by: Aria
Adopted

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion CO-20150731-02

Be It Resolved That the June 29th minutes be adopted.

Moved by: Keroles
Seconded by: Rahul
Adopted Unanimously

3. Council Business

3.1 Appointment of Chair

Motion CO-20150731-03

Be It Resolved That the council go in closed session excluding Staff, Executives and other member.

Moved by: Rahul
Seconded by: Mathilde
Noted Abstention: Carolina, Keroles.
Adopted

Motion CO-20150731-04

Be It Resolved That Ribal is appointed as chair given that council reserved it's right to replace the chair at its discretion.

Moved by: Keroles
Seconded by: Sapandeeep
Noted abstention: Aidan, Carolina, Jasneet
Adopted

Motion CO-20150731-05

Be It Resolved That the closed session comes to an end.

Moved by: Mathilde
Seconded by: Keroles
Adopted

3.2 Recording Minority Votes

Motion CO-20150731-06

WHEREAS GSA membership have the right to know how their representatives on council vote to keep them accountable.

Be It Resolved That All votes must be roll called

Moved by: Keroles

Seconded by: Mathilde

Adopted

3.3 Monthly Council Meetings

Motion CO-20150731-07

WHEREAS bylaw article (V-8) states “. Council meetings shall be called at least once per month. One half (1/2) of the sitting directors shall constitute quorum. Meeting dates for each semester will be established within ten days of the of the start of the semester save summer, when the new council will establish summer meeting dates ten days after assuming office”

Be It Resolved That All future monthly council meetings are the last Saturday of every month.

Be It Further Resolved That VP internal be mandated of booking a conference room for those councils.

Be It Further Resolved That monthly council meetings dates and room are indicated in GSA agenda, website, newsletters and social media.

Moved by: Keroles

Seconded by: Mathilde

For: Keroles, Carolina, Rahul, Sapandeep, Julie, Aria, Mathilde, Aidan,

Against: Jasneet, Vivek,

Abstain:

Adopted

Motion CO-20150731-08

Be It Resolved That Council meeting will be held twice a month. Once on a weekday at the beginning of the month (vision meeting).

Moved by: Sapandeep

Seconded by: Vivek

Amendment

Add “when there are tabled item from the previous meeting”. Strike “(vision meeting)”.

Be It Further Resolved That this additional council meeting is open to informal discussion.

Moved by: Keroles

Seconded by: Jasneet

For: Keroles, Carolina, Jasneet, Rahul, Sapandeep, Julie, Vivek, Aria

Against:

Abstain: Mathilde, Aidan,

Adopted

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Be It Further Resolved That this additional council meeting is open to informal discussion.

Moved by: Sapandeep

Seconded by: Vivek

For: Keroles, Carolina, Jasneet, Rahul, Sapandeep, Julie, Vivek, Aria

Against:

Abstain: Mathilde, Aidan,

Adopted

3.4 Council Tasks

Motion CO-20150731-09

WHEREAS each council meeting costs over \$1000, efficiency and effectiveness of the meeting must be prioritized as well as a follow up mechanism on its decisions must be established.

Be It Resolved That a task list, a living document, be established of executives' action plan, council motions of actions along with the leading executive/staff responsible for the action, a deadline and the deciding motion number. This task list is an Excel file maintained by Council's chair.

Be It Further Resolved That Each executive and staff's report must include a progress update on each action the respective person is responsible for.

Be It Further Resolved That an oversight committee of a minimum of 5 councilors from each group (ENCS, A&S, FA, JMSB and INDI) be formed to review executives and staff's reports and task list at least 10 days before each council meeting and make a recommendation to council with respect to their bursaries.

Be It Further Resolved That Executives and staff's reports as well as the task list must be updated on the website the day following the oversight committee's meeting and included in council's package.

Be It Further Resolved That older task list motion CO-20141009-04 (older task list motion) be stricken.

Moved by: Keroles

Seconded by: Rahul

For: Keroles, Carolina, Jasneet, Mathilde, Rahul, Vivek, Aidan, Julie, Aria, Sapandeep

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted

Motion CO-20150731-10

Be It Resolved That the Oversight committee be formed and its members be:

ENCS: Rahul

A&S: Julie

FA: Carolina

JMSB: Mathilde

Indi: Keroles

Moved by: Keroles

Seconded by: Julie

For: Keroles, Carolina, Jasneet, Mathilde, Rahul, Vivek, Aidan, Julie, Aria, Sapandeep

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted

Note: The Council recognize that Carolina being the only Fine Arts councillor she might not be able to attend to all the committee meetings.

4. Approval of June 29th Council meeting minutes

Motion CO-20150731-11

Be It Resolved That the June 29th council minutes be approved.

Moved by: Keroles

Seconded by: Rahul

For: Keroles, Carolina, Jasneet, Mathilde, Rahul, Vivek, Aidan, Julie, Aria, Sapandeep

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted

5. Business Arising from the Minutes

5.1 Summer Budget

Motion CO-20150731-12

Be It Resolved That the Summer budget be approved.

Moved by: Carolina

Seconded by: Julie

For: Carolina, Jasneet, Vivek, Julie, Mathilde,

Against:

Abstain: Keroles, Aidan, Rahul, Sapandeep, Aria,

Adopted

5.2 Health and dental insurance update

Motion CO-20150731-13

Be It Resolved That 2 councillors (Rahul and Sapandeep), the President and the Finance Manager be mandated to negotiate with the University regarding the internal account. They have to report at the August Saturday meeting.

Moved by: Keroles

Seconded by: Rahul

For: Keroles, Carolina, Jasneet, Vivek, Julie, Mathilde, Aidan, Rahul, Sapandeep, Aria,

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted

Motion CO-20150731-14

Be It Resolved That the meeting moves directly to Item 7.

Moved by: Rahul

Seconded by: Keroles

For: Keroles, Carolina, Jasneet, Vivek, Julie, Mathilde, Aidan, Rahul, Sapandeep, Aria,

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted

--- The Council moves to 7---

7. GSA Committee Appointments

7.1 Appointments/academic committee

Motion CO-20150731-15

Be It Resolved That Keroles (INDI), Rahul (ENCS), Ashley (JMSB) be appointed to the Appointments Committee.

Moved by: Rahul

Seconded by: Mathilde

For: Keroles, Carolina, Jasneet, Vivek, Julie, Mathilde, Aidan, Rahul, Sapandeep, Aria,

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted

7.2 Funding

Motion CO-20150731-16

Be It Resolved That Jasneet, Keroles, David be appointed to the Funding Committee.

Moved by: Keroles

Seconded by: Rahul

For: Keroles, Carolina, Jasneet, Vivek, Julie, Mathilde, Aidan, Rahul, Sapandeep, Aria,

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted

7.3 Bylaws

Motion CO-20150731-17

Be It Resolved That Keroles, Rahul, Alex, Rupinder, Carolina, Jawad, David be appointed to the By-law committee.

Moved by: Rahul

Seconded by: Sapadeep

For: Keroles, Carolina, Jasneet, Vivek, Julie, Mathilde, Aidan, Rahul, Sapandeeep, Aria,

Against:

Abstain:

Adopted

7.4 Research

Quorum lost at 21:06
Meeting is adjourned