

## **GSA Council Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** Wednesday, October 27th, 2016

**Time:** 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM

**Venue:** John Molson Building MB 5.215

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**Chair:** Jillian Vasko

**Meeting Facilitator:** Carlos Jabbour

**Minutes Taker:** Carlos Jabbour

### **Present:**

Councillors: Samer Elzahab, Zhe Zhao, Mengjiao Zhao, Rishi Ramayanam, Esmaeel Kariminezhad, Cainy Mok, Boyang Pan, Melissa Tamporello, Fatina Siblini, Magdalena Ivasecko, Jessica Cabana, Ahmad Jabri, Mohd Azam Khan

Executives: Soliman Abu-Samra, Mahsa Khoshab, Nasir Shafique, Rafi Azad, Mudaser Akbar

### **Absent**

Councillors: Bhavreet Gill, Keroles Riad, Sushmita Roy, Yingnan Sun (Wendy), Saheer Ali, Kartik Narayanan, Emma Qi Gao

### **Final Agenda:**

0. Attendance Sheet verification at 3:30 pm
1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of the Agenda
3. Approval of September 21<sup>st</sup> Council meeting minutes
4. Approval of executives' bursaries and reports (Closed Session)
  - a. President
  - b. VP Internal
  - c. VP External
  - d. VP Academic and Advocacy
  - e. VP Mobilization
5. Business Arising from the Minutes
6. New Business
  - a. GA CRO hiring

- b. 1<sup>st</sup> GA discussion (Venue, Agenda, updated by-laws, budget)
  - c. Financial documents approval
  - d. Funding committee formation
  - e. Student Endowment fund and Student life committee issues
  - f. Appointment for budget and policy committees' ENCS director (tabled)
  - g. 2<sup>nd</sup> GA date (Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016)
  - h. Meet and greet event after mid-terms
  - i. GSA Extra Curricular Engagement Program
  - j. Speak about how to change the directors salary (tabled)
  - k. GSA should provide a way to receive donations (tabled)
  - l. GSA should build a funding for clubs (tabled)
  - m. Graduate students academic event (tabled)
7. Adjournment

### **1. Call to Order**

Attendance sheet verified at 3:30 pm and meeting called to order at 4 pm

### **2. Adoption of the Agenda**

*Motion CO-20161027-01*

BIRT the Agenda is approved

**Moved: Melissa**  
**Seconded: Samer**  
**For: Majority**  
**Against:**  
**Abstain:**  
**Adopted**

### **3. Approval of September 21st Council meeting minutes**

*Motion CO-20161027-02*

BIRT September 21st Council meeting minutes are approved

**Moved: Melissa**  
**Seconded: Cainy**  
**For: Majority**  
**Against:**  
**Abstain:**  
**Adopted**

4. **Approval of executives' bursaries and reports (Closed Session)**

5. **Business Arising from the Minutes**

None

6. **New Business**

- a. GA Chief Returning Officer hiring

*Motion CO-20161027-07*

BIRT Jillian Vasko act as CRO at the next GA.

**Moved: Azam**

**Seconded: Samer**

**For: Majority**

**Against:**

**Abstain:**

**Adopted**

- b. 1<sup>st</sup> GA discussion (Venue, Agenda, updated by-laws, budget)

*Motion CO-20161027-08*

BIRT that November 7<sup>th</sup> GA Agenda and package are approved

BIFRT the Bylaw updates be postponed to the December GA Agenda

BIFRT a special council meeting to be held right after the GA November 7<sup>th</sup> GA meeting

**Moved: Jessica**

**Seconded: Samer**

**For: Majority**

**Against:**

**Abstain:**

**Adopted**

- c. Financial documents approval

*Motion CO-20161027-09*

BIRT audited financial statements for 2014 and 2015 are approved.

**Moved: Boyang**  
**Seconded: Cainy**  
**For: Melissa, Fatina, Esmaeel, Zhe, Magdalena**  
**Against:**  
**Abstain: Jessica, Azam,**  
**Adopted**

- d. Funding committee formation

*Motion CO-20161027-10*

BIRT the funding committee is formed with Mahsa as Chair (VP Internal and VP Academic), Magdalena, Azam, Melissa, Fatina

**Moved: Jessica**  
**Seconded: Melissa**  
**For: Majority**  
**Against:**  
**Abstain: Cainy**  
**Adopted**

- e. Student Endowment fund and Student life committee issues

Mahsa presentation

- f. Appointment for budget and policy committees' ENCS director (**tabled**)
- g. 2<sup>nd</sup> GA date (Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016)

*Motion CO-20161027-11*

BIRT the 2<sup>nd</sup> GA will take place on December 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Moved: Jessica**  
**Seconded: Magdalena**  
**For: Majority**  
**Against:**  
**Abstain:**  
**Adopted**

- h. Meet and greet event after mid-terms

*Motion CO-20161027-12*

BIRT this event will go to the student life committee for planning. Expected between the

two GAs.

**Moved: Zhe**  
**Seconded: Boyang**  
**For: Majority**  
**Against:**  
**Abstain: Jessica**  
**Adopted**

- i. GSA Extra Curricular Engagement Program

*Motion CO-20161027-13*

BIRT the draft of the GSA Extra Curricular Engagement Program is approved

**Moved: Melissa**  
**Seconded: Magdalena**  
**For: Majority**  
**Against:**  
**Abstain: Fatina, Samer**  
**Adopted**

- j. Speak about how to change the directors bursary (tabled)

*Motion CO-20161027-14*

BIRT \$10 per half hour

**Moved: Zhe**  
**Seconded:**  
**For: Majority**  
**Against:**  
**Abstain:**  
**Adopted**

- k. GSA should provide a way to receive donations. (tabled)

*Motion CO-20161027-xx*

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**Moved: Zhe**  
**Seconded:**  
**For: Majority**  
**Against:**

**Abstain:**  
**Adopted**

- I. GSA should build a funding for clubs (tabled)

*Motion CO-20161027-xx*

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**Moved: Zhe**  
**Seconded:**  
**For: Majority**  
**Against:**  
**Abstain:**  
**Adopted**

- m. To support the graduate students on academic events within Montreal through external funding. (tabled)

*Motion CO-20161027-xx*

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**Moved:**  
**Seconded:**  
**For: Majority**  
**Against:**  
**Abstain:**  
**Adopted**

## **7. Meeting adjourned at 7 PM**

*Motion CO-20161027-xx*

BIRT the meeting is adjourned.

**Moved: Magdalena**  
**Seconded: Melissa**  
**For: Majority**  
**Against:**  
**Abstain:**



**Adopted**