

## GSA Council Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Monday, Nov 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Time:** 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

**Venue:** GSA

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**Chair:** Jillian Vasko

**Meeting Facilitator:** Carlos Jabbour

**Minutes Taker:** Carlos Jabbour

### Present:

Councillors: Samer Elzahab, , Sushmita Roy, Emma Qi Gao, Mengjiao Zhao, Esmaeel Kariminezhad, Mohd Azam Khan, Jessica Cabana, Kartik Narayanan, Melissa Tamporello, Fatina Siblini, Ribal Abi Raad

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

### Absent

Councillors: Zhe Zhao, Rishi Ramayanam, , Cainy Mok, Boyang Pan, , Magdalena Ivasecko, , Ahmad Jabri, Bhavreet Gill, Keroles Riad, Saheer Ali

### Final Agenda:

1. Attendance Sheet verification at 5:30 pm
2. Call to Order
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Business arising from the minutes
  - a. Dec 5<sup>th</sup> GA – Agenda
  - b. Dec 5<sup>th</sup> GA – Updated Bylaws and motions
  - c. Graduate students academic event
  - d. GSA should build funding for clubs
  - e. Ribal to be appointed to committees.
5. Adjournment

## 1. Call to Order

Attendance sheet verified at 5:30 pm and meeting called to order at 6pm

## 2. Adoption of the Agenda

*Motion CO-20161107-01*

BIRT the Agenda is approved

**Moved: Ribal**

**Seconded: Jessica**

**For:** Samer Elzhab, Sushmita Roy, Emma Qi Gao, Mengjiao Zhao, Esmaeel Kariminezhad, Mohd Azam Khan, Jessica Cabana, Kartik Narayanan, Melissa Tamporello, Fatina Siblani, Ribal Abi Raad

**Against:**

**Abstain:**

**Adopted**

## 3. Business arising from the minutes

- a. Dec 5<sup>th</sup> GA – Agenda

*Motion CO-20161107-02*

BIRT the following changes be made to the Dec 5<sup>th</sup> GA Agenda:

-To include "Member Discussion" in Other Business

-To include "Discussion for international student fees hike" in Other Business

**Moved: Jessica**

**Seconded: Sushmita**

**For:** Samer Elzhab, Sushmita Roy, Emma Qi Gao, Mengjiao Zhao, Esmaeel Kariminezhad, Mohd Azam Khan, Jessica Cabana, Kartik Narayanan, Melissa Tamporello, Fatina Siblani

**Against:**

**Abstain:**

**Adopted**

*Motion CO-20161107-03*

BIRT the Dec 5<sup>th</sup> GA Agenda is approved and will be sent with all approved supporting documents and motions.

**Moved: Jessica**

**Seconded: Melissa**

**For:** Samer Elzahab, Sushmita Roy, Emma Qi Gao, Mengjiao Zhao, Esmaeel Kariminezhad, Mohd Azam Khan, Jessica Cabana, Kartik Narayanan, Melissa Tamporello, Fatina Siblini

**Against:**

**Abstain:**

**Adopted**

- b. Dec 5<sup>th</sup> GA – Updated Bylaws and motions

*Motion CO-20161107-04*

BIRT the president and vice-presidents titles be changed to “General co-ordinator” and “Co-ordinator” respectively.

**Moved: Samer**

**Seconded: Ribal**

**For:** Samer Elzahab

**Against:** Sushmita Roy, Emma Qi Gao, Mengjiao Zhao, Esmaeel Kariminezhad, Mohd Azam Khan, Kartik Narayanan, Fatina Siblini

**Abstain:** Jessica Cabana, Melissa Tamporello, Ribal Abi Raad

**NOT Adopted**

*Motion CO-20161107-05*

Motion to omnibus approve all 39 policy motions to be presented at the next GA

BIRT all 39 policy motions to be presented at the next GA

**Moved: Jessica**

**Seconded: Kartik**

**For:** Samer Elzahab, Sushmita Roy, Emma Qi Gao, Mengjiao Zhao, Esmaeel Kariminezhad, Mohd Azam Khan, Jessica Cabana, Kartik Narayanan, Melissa Tamporello, Fatina Siblini

**Against:**

**Abstain:** Ribal Abi Raad

**Adopted**

- c. Graduate students academic event (Individual Student Aid Initiative policy)

*Motion CO-20161107-06*

BIRT external funds are approved for this policy and made available for use contingent on final approval of the policy to be presented at the next council meeting.

**Moved: Jessica**

**Seconded: Esmaeel**

**For:** Sushmita Roy, Emma Qi Gao, Mengjiao Zhao, Esmaeel Kariminezhad, Mohd Azam Khan, Jessica Cabana, Kartik Narayanan, Melissa Tamporello, Fatina Siblini

**Against:** Samer Elzahab

**Abstain:** Ribal Abi Raad

**Adopted**

- d. GSA should build funding for clubs

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- e. Ribal to be appointed to committees.

*Motion CO-20161107-07*

BIRT Ribal is appointed to the Policy, Student Life and Funding Committees depending on vacancy.

**Moved: Ribal**

**Seconded: Jessica**

**For:** Sushmita Roy, Emma Qi Gao, Mengjiao Zhao, Esmaeel Kariminezhad, Mohd Azam Khan, Jessica Cabana, Kartik Narayanan, Melissa Tamporello, Fatina Sibli, Samer Elzahab

**Against:**

**Abstain:** Ribal Abi Raad

**Adopted**

#### 4. Adjournment

*Motion CO-20161107-08*

BIRT meeting is adjourned

**Moved: Samer**

**Seconded: Ribal**

**For:** Sushmita Roy, Emma Qi Gao, Mengjiao Zhao, Esmaeel Kariminezhad, Mohd Azam Khan, Jessica Cabana, Kartik Narayanan, Melissa Tamporello, Fatina Sibli, Samer Elzahab

**Against:**

**Abstain:**

**Adopted**