



GSA Council Meeting Agenda

Date: Wednesday, April, 4 2018

Time: 2:09 PM to 5:00 PM

Venue: GSA House

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Chair: Nura Jabagi

Meeting Facilitator: Carlos Jabbour

Minutes Taker: Nura Jabagi

Councillors:

Present: Jaskaran Singh, Rouzbeh Ghouchani, , Mohd Azam Khan, Fatina, Breanna, Angelica Restrepo, Krupa Rajani, Fatemeh Ahmadi, Ronok

Absent: Manoj Pai, Sherif Nader Goubran, Parth Chandarana, Md. Masiar Rahman, Anza Khan, Geoff Weissbach, Sarah Ghorbani Elizeh, Nishant Sirdeshpande

Executives:

Present: Srinivas Bathini, Mohammad Taufiquzzaman, Amir Sadra Khorramizadeh

Absent: Deepak Reddy Erropole, Thufile Ariful Mohamed Sirajudeen

Final Agenda:

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1. Attendance Sheet verification at 2:00pm
2. Call to Order
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Presentation on library services and a possible referendum
 - i. Library fee
 - ii. GSA to be a member of QSU
5. Approval of executive reports and action plans (Closed Session)
 - a. President
 - b. VP Internal
 - c. VP External
 - d. VP Academic and Advocacy
 - e. VP Mobilization
6. Approval of November council meeting minutes (Closed Session)
7. Business arising from prior meeting
 - a. October and November Council Meeting minutes not on the GSA website
 - b. Approval of departmental allocation policy
 - c. Discussion on the policy committee's proposal to make council meetings public and finalize the decision
 - d. Club policy ratification
 - e. Presentation on new sustainability research award program (15 minutes)
8. New Business

- a. Approving the new sustainability policy as recommended by the sustainability committee
 - b. To change/update/optimize by-laws by taking legal help
 - c. To change collective agreement asap (not to hire any staff till it gets updated)
9. Adjournment

Minutes

1. Attendance Sheet verification at 2:00pm (done at 2:09)
2. Call to Order
3. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion CO-20180418-01

BIRT that the agenda has been adopted

Moved: Breanna

Seconded: Fatemeh

For: Jaskaran Singh, Rouzbeh Ghouchani, , Mohd Azam Khan, Fatina, Breanna, Angelica Restrepo, Krupa Rajani, Fatemeh Ahmadi, Ronok

Against: n/a

Abstain: n/a

Adopted: yes

4. Presentation on library services and a possible referendum
 - a. Library fee
 - b. GSA to be a member of QSU

Tabled. Person from library didn't show up.

5. Approval of executive reports and action plans (Closed Session)
 - a. President
 - b. VP Internal
 - c. VP External
 - d. VP Academic and Advocacy
 - e. VP Mobilization

Motion CO-20180418-02

BIRT meeting move to closed session

Moved: Breanna

Seconded: Krupa

For: Jaskaran Singh, Rouzbeh Ghouchani, Mohd Azam Khan, Fatina, Breanna, Angelica Restrepo, Krupa Rajani, Fatemeh Ahmadi, Ronok

Against: n/a

Abstain:
Adopted: yes

6. Business arising from prior meeting
- a. October and November Council Meeting minutes not on the GSA website
Note: Srinivas explains that this done already

- b. Approval of departmental allocation policy

Motion CO-20180418-06

BIRT the new departmental allocation policy be approved and to take effect from June 2018.

Moved: Jaskaran

Seconded: Breanna

For: Jaskaran Singh, Rouzbeh Ghouchani, Mohd Azam Khan, Fatina, Breanna, Angelica Restrepo, Krupa Rajani, Fatemeh Ahmadi, Ronok, Manoj

Against: n/a

Adopted: yes

- c. Executive Bursary Policy committee

Issues in the Document Executive Bursaries Policy

Issue #1 - (p.5) In case, of not being able to have a council meeting because of not achieving quorum, the applicant (replace with: executive) would get paid without any assessment, because of the above mentioned reasons.

Issue #2 - (p.6) Insert explanation as to why there are skipped months for executive monthly reports.

Motion CO-20180418-07

BIRT that the recommendations of changes in Executive Policy Committee be approved

Moved: Breanna

Seconded: Angelica

For: Rouzbeh Ghouchani, Mohd Azam Khan, Fatina, Breanna, Angelica Restrepo, Krupa Rajani, Fatemeh Ahmadi, Ronok, Manoj

Against: n/a

Adopted: yes

- d. Discussion on the policy committee's proposal to make council meetings public and finalize the decision (***Follow up re: Motion CO-20170928-11***)

Note: Rouzbeh requests that the Policy committee share either its minutes and/or a brief on the reasons why the decision was taken to not make council meeting recording (video/audio) public. Breanna agrees to this. It is suggested that Rouzbeh (or another lead) will separate the “transparency” issues vs. the “accessibility” issues and to propose a motion for an online vote for the less contentious accessibility issues.

- e. Club policy ratification
Tabled
- f. Presentation on new sustainability research award program (15 minutes)
Passed online

7. New Business

- a. Approving the new sustainability policy as recommended by the sustainability committee
Passed online

“Sustainability Policy Motion:

After reading and understanding the proposed changes to the sustainability policy (as presented in the PDF titled: “Changes and Edits in original sustainability policy”), I move to accept the proposed sustainability policy (as presented in the PDF document: “29012018_Updated GSA Sustainability Policy”). The updated policy will replace the original policy, effective immediately.

Moved: Breanna
Seconded: Sherif
For: Everyone, but Sarah
Against:
Abstain: Sarah”

- b. To change/update/optimize by-laws by taking legal help

Motion CO-20180418-08

BIRT meeting move to closed session

Moved: Azam
Seconded: Breanna
For: Rouzbeh Ghouchani, Mohd Azam Khan, Fatina, Breanna, Angelica Restrepo, Krupa Rajani, Fatemeh Ahmadi, Ronok, Manoj
Against: n/a
Adopted: yes



- c. To change collective agreement asap (not to hire any staff till it gets updated)

Lost quorum (4:15pm)

8. Adjournment