



## GSA Council Meeting Agenda

**Date:** Wednesday, July 12th, 2023

**Time:** 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM

**Venue:** MB14.250

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### Final Agenda:

1. Attendance Sheet verification at 02:30 pm
2. Call to Order
  - Three points were added to the agenda under Business arising from meeting

<b>Motion Number: Motion CO-20230712-01</b>	
<b>Motion</b>	BIRT move to call meeting to order
<b>Agenda:</b>	
Moved	Parth
Seconded	Prateek
For	Unanimous
Against	None
Abstained	None
Adopted	Yes

<b>Motion Number: Motion CO-20230712-02</b>	
<b>Motion</b>	BIRT move to add Frosh volunteering to the agenda
<b>Agenda:</b>	
Moved	Parth
Seconded	Prateek
For	Unanimous
Against	None
Abstained	None

Adopted	Yes
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<b>Motion Number: Motion CO-20230712-03</b>	
<b>Motion Agenda:</b>	BIRT move to add Frosh discussion to agenda
Moved	Melisa
Seconded	Prateek & Nilesh
For	Unanimous
Against	None
Abstained	None
Adopted	Yes

<b>Motion Number: Motion CO-20230712-04</b>	
<b>Motion Agenda:</b>	BIRT move to add directors for standing committees to agenda
Moved	Venkata
Seconded	Parth
For	Unanimous
Against	None
Abstained	None
Adopted	Yes

3. Adoption of the Agenda

<b>Motion Number: Motion CO-20230712-05</b>	
<b>Motion Agenda:</b>	BIRT move to adopt the agenda
Moved	Sadath
Seconded	Parth

For	Unanimous
Against	None
Abstained	None
Adopted	Yes

4. Minute Taker and Council Chair Introduction

- CREW and the GSA members introduced themselves before the Minute Taker and Council Chair introductions.

5. Information Session with CREW

- CREW-CSN formed from previous members of TRAC-PSAC.
- Promises of CREWs three pillars are a stronger bargaining union, a more transparent union, and a union that campaigns for social change.
- CREW believes PSAC does not value the work TAs and RAs do enough to raise pay in a significant way.
- CREW-CSN is trying to become the new union for TAs and RAs at Concordia.

<b>Motion Number: Motion CO-20230712-06</b>	
<b>Motion Agenda:</b>	BIRT move to begin information session with CREW
Moved	Sadath
Seconded	Parth
For	Unanimous
Against	None
Abstained	None
Adopted	Yes

6. Approval of the June 20th council meeting minutes

<b>Motion Number: Motion CO-20230712-07</b>	
<b>Motion Agenda:</b>	BIRT move to approve June 20th
Moved	Sadath
Seconded	Parth

For	Unanimous
Against	None
Abstained	None
Adopted	Yes

7. Committee monthly reports:
- a. Student life committee
    - i. GSA will be present at frosh events throughout all of late-August to late-September.

<b>Motion Number: Motion CO-20230712-08</b>	
<b>Motion Agenda:</b>	BIRT move to approve the student life committee report
Moved	Nilesh
Seconded	Meena
For	Unanimous
Against	None
Abstained	None
Adopted	Yes

- b. Hiring committee
  - i. July 6-7th 2023, interviews were held for council chair and minute taker. On the 6th, minute taker interviews were held and council chair interviews were held on the 7th.

<b>Motion Number: Motion CO-20230712-09</b>	
<b>Motion Agenda:</b>	BIRT move to approve the hiring committee report
Moved	Shraman & Sadath
Seconded	Nilesh
For	Unanimous
Against	None

Abstained	None
Adopted	Yes

c. Budget and funding committee

- i. On June 28th, 2023, discussed budget allotment for the trip to Maurice National Park.

<b>Motion Number: Motion CO-20230712-10</b>	
<b>Motion Agenda:</b>	BIRT move to approve the budget and funding committee report
Moved	Wade
Seconded	Sadath
For	Unanimous
Against	None
Abstained	None
Adopted	Yes

d. Student handbook committee

- i. No discussion by the student handbook committee so far. Planning to start discussion next week.

<b>Motion Number: Motion CO-20230712-11</b>	
<b>Motion Agenda:</b>	BIRT move to take recess
Moved	Nilesh
Seconded	Hrushith
For	Unanimous
Against	None
Abstained	None
Adopted	Yes

<b>Motion Number: Motion CO-20230712-12</b>	
<b>Motion Agenda:</b>	BIRT move to call meeting to order
Moved	Meena
Seconded	Prateek
For	Unanimous
Against	None
Abstained	None
Adopted	Yes

8. Healthcare Committee Changes

- Formed in 2022, new chair is Raghulkanna Lakshmanan.

<b>Motion Number: Motion CO-20230712-13</b>	
<b>Motion Agenda:</b>	BIRT move to change the structure of healthcare committee
Moved	Sadath
Seconded	Shraman
For	Unanimous
Against	None
Abstained	None
Adopted	Yes

9. New business

- Policy committee report
  - Skill Up Bursary Allocation Discussion – applicable for specific certificates. In accordance with the maximum number of students, if the count exceeds the limit, the amount of 75 CAD will be reduced proportionally.
  - The list of approved certifications has not been drafted as of now.
  - Each individual can apply two separate times throughout the length of a single year.

<b>Motion Number: Motion CO-20230712-14</b>	
<b>Motion Agenda:</b>	BIRT move to approve the policy committee report
Moved	Parth
Seconded	Shraman
For	Unanimous
Against	None
Abstained	None
Adopted	Yes

- Discussion was held whether to have GSA offer French courses or not, still open point of discussion.

10. Business arising from meeting

- Volunteers for the frosh meeting
  - Eleven people volunteered for frosh.

<b>Motion Number: Motion CO-20230712-15</b>	
<b>Motion Agenda:</b>	BIRT move to add international health insurance discussion to agenda
Moved	Sadath
Seconded	Nilesh
For	Unanimous
Against	None
Abstained	None
Adopted	Yes

- Frosh Event discussion
  - Walkathon event will go from September 4th-13th.
  - The Buddy Program will be a different event for people to have a walking tour around Montreal. This pairs new students with other students who have been in Montreal for a year or two. They will go out and explore the entire city, go sightseeing, check out good places to



shop and get groceries in Montreal, and rate their experience afterwards.

- o Sports Week teams will be formed during this period. The sports have not been selected yet – currently being decided on.
- Directors dropping from the committees
  - o One vacant position for the General Assembly position to fill up.
  - o One vacant position for the Healthcare Committee position to fill up.
    - Since the Healthcare Committee is volunteer position, there is not a necessity to fill it up immediately.

<b>Motion Number: Motion CO-20230712-16</b>	
<b>Motion Agenda:</b>	BIRT move to adjourn the meeting
Moved	Wade
Seconded	Shraman
For	Unanimous
Against	None
Abstained	None
Adopted	Yes

## 11. Adjournment