**CALL TO ORDER – 6:00pm, Friday, October 16, 2015**

We would like to recognize that this GSA council meeting is taking place on unceded and unsurrendered Algonquin Territory.

**Chair: Jessica Squires**

**Recording Secretary: Neerija Kumar**

**1. INTRODUCTION OF CHAIR**

a. Announcement of Proxies

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

 **Moved:** Alex Klein (Legal Studies)

 **Seconded:** Lauren Montgomery (Sociology and Anthropology)

 **ADOPTED**

**3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

1. E-minutes from September 25, 2015

**Moved:** Kevin Dick (Systems and Computer Engineering)

**Seconded:** Amber Bramer (Political Management)

**CARRIED**

1. Minutes from September 25, 2015

**Moved:** Roxana Barcelo-Singh (VP Finance)

**Seconded:** Martin Martinov (Physics)

**CARRIED**

**4. EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

1. President (Michael Bueckert)
2. VP Finance (Roxana Barcelo-Singh)
3. VP Operations (Vidushi Gupta)
4. VP Academic (Alannah James)
5. VP External (Theo Hug) given on behalf of Micheal Bueckert
6. Questions

**5. OTHER REPORTS**

1. Senate & Senate Committees
2. Graduate Residence Caucus (GRC)
3. Carleton University Students’ Association (CUSA)
4. Rideau River Residence Association (RRRA)
5. Graduate Faculty Board (GFB)
6. Carleton Post-doctoral Association (CUPA)
7. First People’s Council
8. Canadian Union of Public Employees 4600 (CUPE 4600)
9. Board of Governors (BOG)
10. Questions

**6. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Motion 16.10.2015 - 01: Motion to Call for an in-Council Election for VP-External under Section 9.2 of the Constitution**

**Moved:** Vidushi Gupta (VP Operations)

**Seconded:** AmberBramer (Political Management)

Whereas Theo Hug has formally asked to resign from the position of Vice-President External of the GSA effective October 8, 2015, and;

Whereas Article 9.2 of the GSA Constitution provides the option of having Council appoint a replacement officer for the duration of the term of office (April 30, 2015), therefore;

BIRT GSA Council accept the resignation of Theo Hug effective October 8, 2015.

BIFRT GSA Council thank Theo Hug for his hard and dedicated work on behalf of graduate students at Carleton University.

BIFRT that those interested send their nominations to Vidushi at vpo@gsacarleton.ca by Monday, November 9, 2015.

BIFRT GSA Council elect a new Vice-President External at its November 2015 meeting.

**CARRIED**

 **b) Motion 16.10.2015 - 03: Motion to support Planned Parenthood Ottawa (PPO)**

 **Moved:** Lauren Montgomery (Sociology & Anthropology)

 **Seconded:** Alexa Dodge (Legal Studies)

Whereas Planned Parenthood Ottawa (PPO) is a pro-choice and non judgmental organization promoting healthy sexuality and supporting informed sexual and reproductive health choices through education, counselling, information, and referral services; and

Whereas PPO is facing a funding crisis, with declining contributions from key supporters, including Ottawa Public Health and the United Way; and

Whereas Planned Parenthood is also currently under attack across North America from critics using false information derived from deceptively-edited videos, which is putting their counseling and reproductive health services at risk; and

Whereas the GSA has worked collaboratively with PPO on many occasions, and has been a long-time supporter of reproductive rights; and

Whereas many Carleton students rely on the services of PPO; therefore

Be it resolved that the GSA donates $200 to support Planned Parenthood Ottawa; and

Be it further resolved that the GSA hosts a workshop by Planned Parenthood Ottawa open to all Carleton students, if possible before the end of the term, and

Be it further resolved that the GSA reaches out to other campus groups and organizations such as; graduate departmental societies, the Womyn’s Center, CUPE 4600, CUASA etc to work collaboratively on hosting the workshop.

**CARRIED**

 **c)** **Motion 24.06.2015- 04: Motion to Amend Grant Policy for Student Organizations**

 **Moved**: Roxana Barcelo- Singh (VP-Finance)

 **Seconded:** Alexa Dodge (Legal Studies)

Whereas GSA Council recently established policy as a mechanism through which the GSA could fund CUSA-administered clubs, societies, and service centres that provide programming of interest to graduate students;

and Whereas the policy repealed and replaced the old Intellectual Department Support Policy, Department Support Policy- Social, and Capital Department Support Policy;

and Whereas the GSA and CUSA have established an agreement covering the funding and use of service centres and clubs and societies by graduate students;

and Whereas some sections of the policy are now redundant in light of the GSA-CUSA Service Centre Agreement 2015;

and Whereas the structure of the funding policy needs to be amended to reflect proposed changes in the budget.

Be it resolved that:

“, and no more than $800 per department.” be added to the last sentence of the opening section.

Section 1.3 be amended to read "Carleton Student Clubs and Societies."

Sections 1.4, 1.5, 1.6 be removed.

Section 2.9 be added "The GSA encourages that all events and programming be open and inclusive to all students.”

**CARRIED**

 **d) Motion 24.06.2015- 04: Motion to Approve Amendments to the GSA 2015-16 (FY16) Budget**

 **Moved**: Roxana Barcelo- Singh (VP-Finance)

 **Seconded:** Alex Dodge (Legal Studies)

 Be it resolved that the GSA Budget amendments for fiscal year 2016 be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

e) **Motion to receive annual GSA softball report**

**Moved:** Vidushi Gupta (VP Operations)

**Seconded:** Martin Martinov (Physics)

Whereas the Commissioner for the Graduate Recreational Softball League has tabled a report on the 2015 season, therefore;

BIRT the report of the GSRL Commissioner be received by Council.

**CARRIED**

**10. OTHER BUSINESS**

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by:** Micheal Bueckert (President)

**Seconded by**: Kevin Dick (Systems and Computer Engineering)

**CARRIED**