

Lakehead University Graduate Student Association Executive Meeting

Date: May 19, 2017 Time: 1:00PM – 2:30PM Location: UC2020

Present:

- Courtney Moore, President
- Jocelyn Bel, Vice President
- Lynn Rimmelgas, Vice President-Orillia
- Harutyun Poladyan, Treasurer
- Tyson Bouchard, Chair
- Ayyappa Kumar Sista Kameshwar, Secretary

Graduate student guests attended:

- Kevin Gagnon
- Sagid Delgado.

No Regrets

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm

No Regrets all the GSA executives have attended the meeting.

No declarations of conflicts of interest were declared.

No camera items were discussed for this meeting

2. **MOVED** the consideration and Agenda to be adopted

Jocelyn/ Harutyun

Carried

3. **MOVED** the Approval of the Minutes for May 2, 2017

Jocelyn/Courtney

Carried

4. **CUPE 3905 Update**

Eric was not present.

- CUPE took the discussion on after hour Safety with HR. HR wanted more information and CUPE is sending a survey to students about the after hours and safety concerns in the form of M.C.Q

5. **MOVED** that the GSA contact its legal counsel to file for our non-for-profit status.

- The non-profit status will offer various advantages to the GSA as any of the legal issues it will charge the association and not any concerned person.
- Lynn: There is a government website with the guidelines for non-profit status for the association. (Government Ontario website)
- Harutyun: Opportunity to have a formal conversion with lawyer regarding the status.

Courtney/Ayyappa

Against the motion Jocelyn

6. MOVED that the GSA approve Kevin Gagnon as webmaster for the 2017-2018 year

- Kevin Volunteering to do the Webmaster approval.
- Disclaimer for **Kevin** adding the things in the website, contact information will be posted.

Courtney/ Second discussion: Harutyun

Carried

7. GSA Events Planning for the year 2017-2018

a. GSA Formal

It has costed 4,000 CAD\$ last year and it was bargaining year for CUPE and to support the CUPE.

b. Other Events Planning

A event every month will be planned. Discussed with Lynn regarding the events. A discussion on Formal event whether to do or now.

All the graduate students participating in the outside events must clearly understand and sign the waivers. Health Insurance of all the participating graduate students must be checked before.

Waiver must be made by the secretary for the outside events. Health Insurance must be checked.

GSA will provide its support for the Brenda's PhD graduate students meet.

c. Bargaining Year

8. Graduate Student Orientation for the fall 2017.

- Based on the known information no specific event for Grad orientation for incoming students.

Few suggestions by GSA executives:

- We can arrange a meet between senior and junior students. Manager student success center in performing the meetings.

- More suggestions will be discussed for the next meeting about the grad orientation.
- Google form to nominate the grad orient meeting.

9. Summer Delivery Program in Thunder Bay Campus.

- Local business in thunder bay will be posted through GSA.

10. Alterations to /Removal of Graduate Student Coffee Hours

- Reconsidering about the coffee hours as most of the students do not interact with each other.

11. LUSU GSA Relationship

- Discussed about the first draft on the relationship between LUSU and GSA.
- Separate Stamp for the GSA so that all the fliers will bear the GSA stamp.
- Keys for the LUSU board room.
- LUSU should consider GSA as the parallel entity and consider us in their orientation.
- Can participate in the board meetings VP.
- LUSU advertising for the GSA events.
- Changes made to LUSU and discuss the final refined document in next meeting.

12. Future Meeting Times

- June 2nd at 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM.

13. Announcements

- Agenda was been sent to everyone.
- Courtney apologizes for sending the document which were not supposed to send for the grad students.
- Communications must be interacted before sending it out with VPs.

14. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 PM

Jocelyn/Harutyun

Carried

