

GSA Council meeting – August 23, 2017 – Tilley 302 – Minutes

1. Call to Order
2. Roll call/Call for Quorum + Yes
3. Wolastoq Acknowledgement – Graduate Student Association at university of New Brunswick, recognizes and honours the Wolastoq Nation and their not-ceded territories where we have gathered today.
4. Adoption of the Agenda – moved by education and seconded by Civil Engineering. In favor Yes, opposed, none.
5. Adoption of May meeting minutes – not distributed. VP Admin motion to push to next meeting. Seconded by Sociology. In favor, yes. Opposed, none.
6. Summary of Executive committee activities:

VP Finance – All CRA dues have been paid = \$30,000. Book keeping from the last 3 years has been organized and final account of 2017 almost complete. Questions = none.

VP Academic – no new updates

VP Admin – this Summer, CFS NB representative – attended both the Maritime and National meeting. Questions = none.

VP clubs & societies – Fall Orientation will be held sept. 5-9 and the schedule is on FB and the UNBGSA website. Volunteers are needed please sign up. Questions = none.

President – Bus pass has been designed with Jason and the City of Fredericton and is ready to go. UNB ID was not organizationally possible for this year. Bus pass will remain on the ISIC card. We are switching insurance providers from RWAM to Blue Cross. Also, individual is needed for Events committee. Questions – Do we need to pick up a new bus pass if card will be the same? Yes, different expiry dates. Question – New Insurance/Medicare for international students, update available? Bipin Kumar replies with the timelines we have been provided with and Cody supplements with fees of \$200 + \$64.50 which serves as interim coverage.

VP External – read into meeting – attended National Aboriginal Caucus in Alberta. Created a template for strategic action plan which is currently circulating amongst the executive and hopes to be presented in Fall meeting.

7. Committee Reports

Executive Director – busy preparing for the health & dental BlueCross roll-out and Bus pass distribution. Orientation organized and the WCB yearend complete. Completed ANH inspection and preparing to work with FM on action items with 30 & 60 day plan.

8. New business: Fall meeting dates

September 20

October 18

November 15

December 6

Moved by VP Finance and seconded by VP Admin. In favor, yes. Opposed = none.

9.

Announcements: Amy UGSW – Steward responsibilities & Requirements outlined. Important to have graduate student representation – couple of complaints about graduate students not getting a voice, spoke with the dean and informed of no policy in place. Now reaching out to GAU's to see where each one is at currently. If you have any info please send it along.

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Motion to Adjourn Civil Engineering Seconded by Forestry.