

1. Attendance: Alistair, Stephen, Cathy, Chris, Colin, Kevin, Robyn, Rox, Emily, Bree, Philip, Kaela
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Roxanne forgot to send out minutes, will do so later this week
3. Trent Latin and Swing Dance Club Request for Funding
 - a. A discussion regarding the Trent Latin and Swing Dance Clubs request for funding took place. Cathy moved to fund the club for \$100.00 for the second semester. Philip seconds the motion and all agreed. Future funding for the club will be considered if another proposal is submitted for next term
4. Meeting with Stephen Brown
 - a. Colin met with Stephen Brown this week (the head of Champlain College).
 - i. There will be a dinner in two weeks where a film maker will be presenting movies?? (Colin?). Ten spots are reserved to grad students for this event on a first come first served basis
 - ii. Stephen has offered us the use of the old masters lodge for social events such as potlucks and BBQs. This is an ARAMARK FREE ZONE
5. Social Events
 - a. The next two pub nights will be held on the 19th of January and the 16th of February, locations TBA
 - b. We are going to get group tickets for a Pete's game on the 2nd or 8th of March. Tickets will be \$12.00 each. Kevin is going to call the ticketing office to determine how many tickets we can get. The GSA will spot the money for the tickets and interested Grad Students will purchase them from us
 - c. March 31st is the end of the year party
 - d. April 5th is the seminar series dinner/gala
 - e. There will be bowling with the Canadian Studies students this Friday on Chemong
6. Facility Renewal Project
 - a. School is looking for ideas/recommendations for facility renewal
 - i. We would like to see dedicated grad student/faculty space and a student center
7. Office Housecleaning
 - a. There are a lot of things that need to be gone through in the office before the end of the year.
 - b. Colin, Roxanne, Stephen and Cathy will get together one afternoon to tackle the office
8. Re-visiting our Goals
 - a. Scholarship Set-up (Kaela)
 - i. We are waiting on Grad Studies to hear about whether we can have a scholarship set up for this term

- ii. We now have an account set up with TD and are in the process of closing down the Credit Union Account. We are opening/have opened an high interest savings account with ING which can only be accessed through TD, so we still will need multiple co-signers to get to the money
 - b. Finances (Stephen)
 - i. We still haven't heard anything from finance about the removal of instalment fees for grad students
 - ii. The checks for scholarships were 10 days late this term, so although they told us that checks would be on time, this seems not to be the case
 - c. Health (Kevin)
 - i. We will find out next meeting about the health issues, but may have to schedule a meeting ourselves if we don't hear anything about a meeting soon
 - ii. Be careful about opting out, you are not automatically opted back in each school year. You must fill out forms to opt back in or else you may get stuck with no health coverage for the year
- 9. Seminar Series Update
 - a. Three more left to go, the next one is January 18th
 - b. Invitations have been sent out
 - c. Colin had a meeting with the development office who has said they would help with the fundraising, although most of the work will be given back to us
 - d. Stephen will up the advertising for the rest of the term
 - e. If anyone is interested in helping plan the Gala on April 5th, contact Colin
- 10. Other Business
 - a. Ad Hoc Advisory Committee meeting this Sunday at 3 to review the position for the split between arts and science
 - b. WEGS (Bree) – WEGS executive still looking on getting sub-disciplines on degree for the WEGS executive, however it looks like they have to go to Grad Studies and then to Senate. Cathy will ask Doug if it can be on the agenda for the next Grad Studies meeting. The GSA may put forth a proposal if other disciplines are interested in seeing sub-disciplines on their degrees as well
 - c. CUPE (Philip) – there will be an AGM on the 31st of March in conjunction with the GSA. On February 2nd there will be an intellectual property seminar for interested persons. If you register before the 29th of January it is \$50.00
 - d. GSA/CUPE are putting a health committee together to try to get the university to provide health care coverage to grad students, if there is anyone continuing with the GSA who would like to sit on this committee it will be running until January of 2007