

## GSA Meeting – April 8, 2008-DRAFT

### Present:

Erin, Kathryn, Sarah, Andrea S-S, Nic, David, Vikki, John, Stacy, Francis, Adrienne, Denina, Andrea M, Kristina, Yakuta

### Absent without regrets:

Peter

### Agenda Items

#### 1. Reports Back

##### President

1. No report at this time.

##### Vice-President

##### 1. Seasoned Spoon:

- a. Suggestion to get that some students from the TCCBE (students will get credit by working on this project over the summer) to take this project on along with a committee including incoming GSA VP Jennifer, incoming Social Director Allison, outgoing VP Sarah, and Annie and Karen from the Seasoned Spoon (plus any others who are willing to volunteer).
- b. Meri Kim Oliver feels that we do not have enough business to run on a full-time basis. Perhaps we will have to select particular days to be open. Looking at OWSP spots again.

##### 2. CASCC:

- a. The Trent University Charter of Rights and Responsibilities was voted down. What now?
  - i. Motion by Adrienne: We implore Meri Kim Oliver to attend to the changes suggested by the GSA at the April 1, 2008 CASSC meeting in her consideration of future revisions of the Trent University Charter of Rights and Responsibilities and/or any NAMP.  
Second: Sarah  
Vote: 11 agreed, 2 abstained
  - ii. Motion by Vikki: To encourage the new GSA executive to form a committee, headed by incoming VP Jennifer Dagg, as soon as they are instated as a new government and be in close communication with Meri Kim Oliver regarding potential activity concerning the Trent University Charter of Rights and Responsibilities and/or any NAMP.  
Seconded by Adrienne  
Vote: 12 agreed, 1 abstained.

##### 3. Transition Meeting

- a. Create a "Transition Handbook" that could potentially be formed out of the new constitution. It can outline necessary administration/respective counterpart contact information and include files that hold pertinent

- information relevant to each position. Email Adrienne respective summaries at least one week prior to transition meeting. Send out an email to all members that have sat on committees.
- b. Proposed Date: April 25<sup>th</sup> at 11-3. Suggestion to utilize surplus fund to supply lunch at transition meeting. Champlain College Room. Stacy will contact incoming executive regarding the meeting.
  - c. Stacy will compile list of topics and delegate speakers for the meeting.

#### Treasurer

1. Honorariums
  - a. In camera discussion.
2. Office cleaning party
  - a. Interested parties please volunteer. Nina will send out an email with a date.
3. Update website and web-ct with corrected final report:
  - a. Sending Stacy updated year end report to put up on webCT and website.
4. Thanks to the out-going GSA for their hard-work

#### Senate

1. Senate meeting Report Back
  - a. Missed the senate meeting due to traffic. 3 new faculty hires.
  - b. Part of the budget planning strategy is to cut faculty salaries and no tenure-tract positions
2. Gender neutral washrooms and similar initiatives by the human rights advisor to the president.
  - a. Motion by Nina: For the GSA to endorse gender neutral washrooms and similar initiatives by the humans rights advisor to the president  
Seconded by Stacy  
Vote: unanimous

#### CUPE Representative:

1. Bargaining Update:
  - a. Bargaining scheduled between June 30<sup>th</sup> and July 11<sup>th</sup>. Bargaining team is working. All is well.

#### Secretary

1. Pass March, 2008 Minutes:
  - i. Motion by Andrea S-S: To approve the GSA Minutes from March 25, 2008  
Seconded: Nic  
Vote: 12 agreed, 1 abstained
2. Pass Spring April '08 AGM Minutes:
  - i. Motion by Andrea S-S: To approve the Spring'08 AGM Minutes  
Friendly amendment: In the event that an individual has any objections to the minutes within 24 hours they will not be approved  
Seconded by Stacy  
Accepted by Andrea  
Vote: 10 agreed, 3 abstained
  - ii. Motion by Erin: To hold one last GSA meeting on Thursday April 24, 2008 at 4pm at Kerr House  
Seconded by Vikki

Vote: Unanimous

Communications Officer

1. Website:
  - a. Updates are delayed due to computer breakdown.

Social Coordinators

- a. Thank you for help and part-y!
- b. \$133 raised to donate to the Food Bank

2. Other Items:

1. Yakuta re: Symons Seminar Series funding changes:
  - i. Additional \$2000 spending breakdown. A portion is going towards the Gala Speaker. \$150 for Speaker's travel and an honorarium of \$500. One night at the Peterborough Inn and Suites ~\$135. Gift for the speaker- framing cost, etc.
  - ii. Suggestion by Nina to have a graduate student on the conference services committee.

Motion by Denina: To approve the proposal for expenditure of extra \$2000 allocated funds from GSA executive

Seconded: Andrea S-S

Vote: 11 agreed, 1 abstained, 1 opposed

2. Disproportionate Representation of Incoming GSA
  - i. As the current GSA we can make a recommendation to the incoming GSA about making changes with the new constitution stating that there should be a social coordinator from each program (Arts & Science). Perhaps have a forum/campaigning period for each position. Another suggestion is to have a definite Arts Representative and a definite Science representative.
3. Motion by Sarah to strike a committee to work on constitutional changes over the summer at the transition meeting

Seconded: Erin

Vote: Unanimous

3. Motion to adjourn: Erin

1. Seconded: Andrea S-S
2. Vote: UNANIMOUS!