

## **MINUTES of Trent Graduate Students' Association**

**Meeting date:** Monday, August 22, 2011

**Call to order:** An executive meeting of the Trent Graduate Students' Association, was held in Scott House Senior Common Room on August 22, 2011. The meeting convened at 7:00 PM, Vice President Bethany Hunt presiding, and Shanel Raney, VP Operations.

**Members in attendance:** Kristen Schultz, Megan Lloyst, Agnès Pelletier, Jason Henry, Diana Kouril

**Members not in attendance:** Robert Arkell, Karen Gillis, James Lisowski,

*Motion* to approve agenda → Bethany Hunt; Seconded by Kristen – Passed Unanimously

*Motion* to approve June 27, 2011 minutes → Kristen Schultz; Seconded by Shanel Raney – Passed Unanimously

**Symons Seminar Series Committee:** Erin Koen

→ Want a GSA liaison to volunteer: this person only needs to attend the meetings and there are about one a month

- Responsibilities: essentially to inform of conflicting events and funding opportunities. This person could also help setup and organize events if they wanted to be involved.
- The group would prefer a arts/humanities because there are already two ENLS students on their committee
- If interested contact Karen Gillis

→ Symons Seminar series: would like to put a poster with information on the Symons seminar series on the GSA website

→ Symons Seminar Series Gala date decided: April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012

**CUPE Bargaining:** Kristen Schultz

→ An overview: a new agreement needs to be made with the university because the contract has now ended. In general they would like a 3% wage increase. They are also looking into getting benefits included in contract. Also, CUPE does not want people working more than 120 hrs.

**Health Plan Questions:** Hilary Fast

→ Email question to Hilary until Beth Evans has an email address created specifically for health plan questions.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

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VP Operations  
Trent GSA

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Date of approval