

MINUTES of Trent Graduate Students' Association Executive Meeting
Meeting Date: August 28, 2012

Call to order: An executive meeting of the Trent Graduate Students' Association, was held in the Senior Common Room of Trill College on August 28, 2012. The meeting convened at 19:10, president Kaiti Nixon presiding.

Members in Attendance:

Kaiti Nixon	President
Andrea Samoil	CUPE Representative
Adrian Borlestean	VP Student Affairs (Sciences)
Jessica Taylor	VP Communications
Kimmy Demers	VP Student Affairs (Arts)
Andressa Lacerda	International Representative
Ayden Sherritt	Environmental Commissioner
Kyle Morrissey	Senator
Candy	Health Benefit Coordinator

Regrets: Stephanie Dotto (VP Operations); Elizabeth MacIntosh

Approval of last month's minutes:

- Motion for approval
- Seconded (Jessica)
- Minute APPROVED

Introduction to Symons Seminar Series

- Lana and Lauren present to introduce
- Searching for 1-2 grad students from arts/social sciences to join committee. Please mention this to any friends.
- Aims for this year:
 - o More food
 - o Grouping arts and sciences papers by similarities – having themed discussions
 - o Getting a radio show on Trent Radio, or an article in the Examiner
 - o Revamping the gala
- Looking for somebody to handle the social/food/publicity aspect
- We will make sure it's mentioned on the GSA website and Facebook page
- Adrian will make up a pamphlet for TIP camp

President's Comments

- Orientation Week
 - o Tuesday Morning 8:30-9:30: coffee hour during orientation
 - We will have a table
 - Information about health benefits
 - Getting the word out about the GSA

- We'll have mugs and bags to hand out
 - Tuesday morning 12:10 – we will have 10 minutes to talk about the GSA
 - Tuesday ends with BBQ – we need help the day before setting up fencing, acting as security the day of, and helping with takedown the day after
- The Arthur is pushing to have more student involvement
- After Orientation week we will need to start planning AGM elections ASAP
- Alumni Health Benefits – have been in touch with them, offered through Alumni Association
- New Office – 223 – anyone with a VP title has key access
- College Fees have not changed since 2004. They need to go up. Talked to Doug Evans about this. Next step is to consult with students to get it approved. We are trying to do more with less.
- Swipe access to Scott House will be expensive
- Would like to have actual office hours for GSA this year, sometime between 10-2 Monday-Thursday.

Executive Update – Adrian (VP Student Affairs)

- Pub Crawl
 - TShirts ordered today, will be \$10, which will also cover a drink at two pubs
 - Will set up doodle to see who can help
- Tuesday Traill 6pm – BBQ
- Wednesday Riley's 7pm – Pool and appetizers
- All these events fall under GSA must attend, so please send regrets if you are not going to make it

Executive Update – Andressa (International Rep)

- TIP Camp this weekend
 - Has a poster from Adrian
 - Selling pub crawl stuff there
 - Some free stuff from GSA to distribute
 - Information about UHIP

Executive Update – Andrea (CUPE Rep)

- printing a calendar for social events
- CUPE Pub Night at Olde Stone September 13 7pm

Executive Update – Kyle (Senator)

- First Senate meeting September 25
- Still waiting to hear on dates for committees

Executive Update – Candy (Health Benefit)

- everything going well

Executive Update – Jessica (VP Communications)

- email going out to new students next week

Next meeting

- will occur within two weeks. Watch for the Doodle.