

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

**Meeting date:** Wednesday, October 12, 2011

**Call to order:** An executive meeting of the Trent Graduate Students' Association, was held in Scott House Senior Common Room on September 28, 2011. The meeting convened at 7:00 PM, President Karen Gillis presiding, and Shanel Raney, VP Operations.

**Members in attendance:** Bethany Hunt, Kristen Schultz, Megan Lloyst, James Lisowski, Diana Kouril, Hilary Fast, and Julia Smith

**Members not in attendance:** Robert Arkell, Jason Henry, and Agnès Pelletier,

*Motion* to approve agenda → Karen Gillis; Seconded by James Lisowski – Passed Unanimously

*Motion* to approve September 21, 2011 minutes → Karen Gillis; Seconded by Megan Lloyst – Passed Unanimously

**Trent Part-time Student Association:** Draft Proposal – Helen Wallis

- About 1000 part time students that are spread through colleges because their part time college got cut last year. Over half of the students are older than 25. They want to be a part of Trail College, so it will be grad and part time students.
- Will start with a draft proposal to send to head of Trail college (Doug Evans), other college heads, and then CASSC. Doug Evans would like this to happen.
- Was previously asked that part timers to be added to Trail but it was turned down. Part timers moving to Trail will result in reducing other colleges funds because their money will now go to Trail.

**Karen Gillis**

- Have you seen video store closing: they have a lot of videos students use for courses and would like to purchase them to put them into the library. But we need to see the numbers first. But in-order for the library to have them it needs to have the performance rights, so purchasing the videos may have excess costs than we may think.
- Committees and elections: first year rep needs to be voted upon with a physical ballot election. Maybe we could make a voting event.
- Training day: morning portion more important, roberts rules, university structure, etc.
- Voting: position elections and budget vote. Have voting over all reading week and voting on the bylaws.
- Committees need executives on: Teaching committee, Research committee, and NSERC committee.

### **Kristen Schultz**

- Flag football grad student team: want money we will get \$40 back in the end.
- Kristen Schultz: move to give \$140 to grad student flag football team, Seconded by Megan Lloyst, passed unanimously.

### **Beth Evans Pay: Hilary Fast**

- Honorarium usually gets paid at the end of term; but it sounds as though she would like some money now. Beth started working August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011. Think we should pay her now and give her the rest per term as discussed previously.

### **Events: Megan Lloyst**

- Wednesday, November 16 Movember: Band traveling through Peterborough will play at Trend. Prizes for who raises the most money.

### **James Lisowski**

- Promotion at Trail for events: PAC: parking issues, workshop promotions.
- Trend getting grease-less deep fryer, therefore re-vamping the menu. Swipe cards will be \$5000 per door: so maybe give a trial to Scott House codes.

### **CUPE: Steven**

- Health plan money request response: wanted CUPE to donate money to emerge fund and operating costs but they have declined. Declined because they will try to help through bargaining with employer to cover all or some of the health plan costs.

### **Trail Events**

- Want academic or semi academic events, ex: beer with profs
- Could they help with funding for our events, we are doing at the Trend.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

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VP Operations  
Trent GSA

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Date of approval