POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS’ SOCIETY OF MCGILL UNIVERSITY INC.
Minutes – Executive Meeting
Thomson House 403
5 June 2009 – 12h30
E-09-06-#01

Attendance: VP External Ladan Mahabadi (Chair) VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Regrets: President Daniel Simeone, VP Internal Harry Saitis

Call to Order
12h32

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Announcements

No announcements.

3. Approval of the Minutes

3.1 E-09-05-#29
Approval of minutes postponed.

3.2 E-09-05-#31
Approval of minutes postponed.

4. New Business

4.1 Submissions to the Council Listserv (E-09-06-#001)

The VP External moved the following resolution:

BIRT Effective immediately, to avoid further confusion, all submissions, with the exception of the call for submission or reminder of submission of council motions, go out on the Council listserv only if it has the approval of the majority of the Steering Committee.
Effective immediately, the call for submission or reminder of submission of Council motions be sent out only after the approval of the PGSS Service Coordinator.

Effective immediately, the Steering Committee oversee the content of the council package and the Council Commissioner put the package together.

Effective immediately, Council policy only be changed by 2/3 majority of the steering committee and that of the Council.

Motion passed unanimously.

4.2 Recommendation to adopt 2009-2010 draft budget (E-09-06-#002)

The VP Finance moved the following resolution:

BIRT the Executive Committee reaffirm the outgoing Executive's recommendation to Council to adopt the Society’s portion of the 2009-2010 draft budget.

Motion passed unanimously.

4.3 CFS-Q Board of Directors (E-09-06-#003)

The VP External moved the following resolution:

BIRT at the next opportunity for ratification of Canadian Federation of Students – Quebec (CFS-Q) Board of Directors members, the Vice-President (External), Ladan Mahabadi, be appointed as the representative of the PGSS as its duly appointed Board of Directors member for the CFS-Q for the duration of the term ending at the end of May 31, 2010;

BIFRT for the duration of the term ending at the end of May 31, 2010, in the absence of an explicitly sanctioned delegation, the Vice-President (External), Ladan Mahabadi, shall act as the officially sanctioned delegate to any meeting of the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS), CFS-Services, CFS-Q or any of their affiliates or subsidiaries requiring an official or sanctioned representative or delegation from the PGSS.

Motion passed unanimously.

4.4 CFS-Q Special General Meeting Delegation (E-09-06-#004)

The VP External moved the following resolution:

BIRT that the PGSS's delegation to the next Special General Meeting of the Canadian Federation of Students – Quebec (CFS-Q) be the Vice-President (External), Ladan Mahabadi, the Vice-President (Finance) Eric Pollanen, and Adrian Kaats.

Motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion
5.1 CFS-Q Representation
Discussion ensued.

5.2 Budget Discussion
Discussion ensued.

5.3 Council Q&A Session
Discussion ensued.

5.4 Commissioner’s listserv
Discussion ensued.

Adjournment
12h43
POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS’ SOCIETY OF MCGILL UNIVERSITY INC.
Minutes – Executive Meeting
Thomson House 403
25 June 2009 – 12h30
E-09-06-#02

Attendance: VP External Ladan Mahabadi (Chair) VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Regrets: President Daniel Simeone, VP Internal Harry Saitis

Call to Order
12h46

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Announcements

No announcements.

3. Approval of the Minutes

3.1 E-09-05-#29
Approval of minutes postponed.

3.2 E-09-05-#31
Approval of minutes postponed.

3.3 E-09-06-#01
Approval of minutes postponed.

4. New Business

4.1 CFS-Q Board Member (E-09-06-#005)

The VP External moved the following resolution:
BIRT prior to the ratification of the 2009-2010 VP External, Ladan Mahabadi, the previous year’s VP External, Adrian Kaats, continues to act in full capacity as the official PGSS appointed CFS-Q member of Board of Directors.

Motion passed unanimously.

4.2 Indemnification (E-09-06-#006)

The VP External moved the following resolution:

WHEREAS a Society may indemnify against all costs, charges and expenses, including an amount paid to settle an action or satisfy a judgment, actually and reasonably incurred by him or her, in a civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding to which he or she is made a party because of being or having been Society’s acting representative and executive, so long as she or he has acted honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the Society while having reasonable grounds for believing his or her conduct was lawful,

BIRT the PGSS indemnifies 2009-2010 VP External, Ladan Mahabadi, and 2008-2009 VP External, Adrian Kaats, against all costs, charges and expenses incurred to address or settle an action, lawsuit, proceeding or to satisfy a judgment incurred because of actions made in good faith while acting as PGSS’s Vice President External and/or representative.

Motion passed unanimously.

4.3. Litigation Funding (E-09-06-#007)

The VP External moved the following resolution:

WHEREAS numerous attempts to rectify the situation have failed and the current legal threats to the VP External for requesting elections to be held are troubling; BIRT up to $15,000 be allocated from the executive pool to the VP External to use for litigation and other charges tied to or required to bring the CFS-Q structure and Board of Directors to its operational, appropriate format.

Motion passed unanimously.

4.4 FEUQ Election (E-09-06-#008)

The VP External moved the following resolution:

WHEREAS the question of whether or not to join the Fédération étudiante universitaire du Québec (FEUQ) will be put to referendum this year, WHEREAS the VP External believes that an August referendum resolves timing conflicts with other society initiatives and is to the best interest of the society, BIRT FEUQ referendum be moved back to August 2009 BIFRT the exact date be determined by the FEUQ-PGSS Referendum Committee.
Motion passed unanimously.

4.5 Financial Restraint (E-09-06-#009)

The VP External moved the following resolution:

WHEREAS the CFS-Q Inc. has failed to produce complete financial documents as requested by its Board of Directors’ resolution in January 2009 and as demanded from the Chairman of the Board of Directors by the PGSS’s letter sent on March 11, 2009, BIRT VP Finance refrain from releasing CFS and CFS-Q dues until PGSS and its representative on the Board of Directors of CFS-Q Inc. have received proper financial documents as requested, and the PGSS Executive has passed a motion attesting to its satisfaction.

Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment
13h55
Call to Order
12h43

1. Approval of the Agenda

Agenda approved as amended.

2. Announcements

2.1 Orientation Week(s) - Events Schedule (VP Internal)
The VP Internal announced that this year there is a new orientation format. September 2nd, 4 to 8pm TH Wine and cheese + networking event, with FYO/GPSO etc. Need to prepare PGSS presentation for orientation website. September 17th, Discover PGSS at 5pm in Thomson House.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1 E-09-05-#29
Minutes approved.

3.2 E-09-05-#31
Minutes approved.

3.3 E-09-06-#1
Minutes approved.

3.4 E-09-06-#2
Minutes approved.
4. New Business

4.1 ASEQ Health Plan Renewal (E-09-07-#010)

The President moved the following resolution:

WHEREAS the Health Plan has gone to tender, and ASEQ has returned three bids;  
BIRT the PGSS instruct ASEQ to negotiate with [Sun Life, Desjardins, or Blue  
Cross - to be discussed] for the renewal of the Health Plan.

Motion tabled.

4.2 Coach house motion (E-09-07-#011)

The VP External moved the following resolution:

Whereas the External Affairs Committee has undertaken numerous projects involving  
referendums and close collaboration with other student bodies and associations on almost  
a daily basis;  
BIRT External Affairs Committee be provided access to use the Coach house for the  
2009-2010 External Affairs Projects.

Motion passed.

4.3 FEUQ referendum endorsement (E-09-07-#012)

The VP External moved the following resolution:

BIRT the Executive endorse joining the Fédération étudiante universitaire du  
Québec (FEUQ) at the upcoming August referendum.

Motion passed (abstention: President, VP Finance).

4.4 FEUQ referendum letter (E-09-07-#013)

The President moved the following resolution:

BIRT the President draft and send a letter from the Executive to the FEUQ  
requesting monetary help with holding the referendum.

Motion passed.

4.5 Archival Scanning (E-09-07-#014)

The VP External moved the following resolution:
BIRT that a work-study position for an amount not to exceed $1000 be allocated for the purposes of scanning archival documents. 
BIFRT the position will report to the VP-External. 
BIYFRT the money come from the Executive Pool.

Motion passed.

4.6 Wine and Cheese (E-09-07-#015)

The VP Internal moved the following resolution:

BIRT that $3500 be allocated from the VP Internal budget for the purposes of hosting the Graduate Orientation Open House and Welcome Event.

Motion passed.

5. Discussion

5.1 Continuum Health Plan
Discussion ensued.

5.2 H1N1 Preparation
Discussion ensued.

5.3 Feedback Form Motion (E-09-07-#016)

The VP Academic moved the following motion:

BIRT that the form presented by the VP-Academic be adopted and implemented for use with Senate and University standing committee representatives.

Motion passed.

5.4 Memorandum of Agreement
Discussion ensued.

5.5 PGSA Email addresses Motion (E-09-07-#017)

The VP External moved the following motion:

BIRT the PGSS email address of *.pgss@mail.mcgill.ca and *.pgss@mcgill.ca be preserved for those acting an official capacity for the PGSS 
BIFRT that ICS and NCS be instructed that any request created with the aforementioned formats without a motion of the PGSS Executive be revoked and that any such account activity ceased 
BIYFRT should such email accounts be issued to clubs PGSS executive motion.
BIYFRT the PGSS devise a policy to deal with this issue.

Motion to Table to next Exec meeting (VP Finance/ President)

Motion passed (1 opposed, VP External).

5.6 Thomson House Keys!
Discussion ensued.

5.7 CGSS Questions
Discussion ensued.

5.8 Presentation from Business Manager on Health Plan
Discussion ensued.

6. Adjournment
14h28
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Harry Saitis

Call to Order
17h31

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Health Plan Motion (E-09-07-#018)

WHEREAS the health plan is up for renewal, and whereas quotes have been received from three insurance companies;

BIRT that the PGSS renew its health plan with Sun Life;

BIFRT the Operations Manager be instructed to relay this decision to the insurance broker, ASEQ, and to make arrangements as necessary.

Motion passed.

Adjournment
10h31, 20 July 2009
POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS’ SOCIETY OF McGill UNIVERSITY INC.
Executive Meeting - Minutes
Thomson House 406
20 July 2009 – 18h00
E-09-07-#05

Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP Internal Harry Saitis

Regrets: VP External Ladan Mahabadi

Call to Order
18h20

1. Approval of the Agenda

Agenda approved.

2. New Business

2.1 Payment of CFS and CFS-Q Fees (E-09-07-#019)

The VP Finance moved the following resolution:

BIRT the Executive authorize the VP Finance to pay the CFS and CFS-Q fees as per the agreement of July 17, 2009.

Motion passed.

2.2 Annual Society Audit - Legal Counsel (E-09-07-#020)

The VP Finance moved the following resolution:

BIRT that the Operations Manager be authorized to contact legal counsel in order to complete the annual Society audit.

Motion passed.

3. Adjournment
18h21
POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS’ SOCIETY OF McGIN UNIVERSITY INC.
Minutes – Executive E-Meeting
21 July 2009
E09-07-#06

Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Harry Saitis

Call to Order
11h42

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Scanning Documents Position (E-09-07-#021)

WHEREAS the VP External has experienced problems in implementing the workstudy position in a timely fashion;
BIRT motion E-09-07-#014 regarding the hiring of a workstudy position be repealed;
BIFRT a position for an amount not to exceed one-thousand dollars ($1000) be allocated for the purposes of scanning documents;
BIYFRT the position will report to the VP-External;
BIYFRT the money come from the Executive Pool.

Motion passed.

Adjournment
12h13, 23 July 2009
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi

Regrets: VP Internal Harry Saitis

Call to Order
18h00

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Announcements

The VP Finance will be on vacation next week. The VP Academic will be on vacation from August 10th to August 21st, and September 1st to 11th.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1 E-09-07-#03
The minutes were approved.

3.2 E-09-07-#04
The minutes were approved.

3.3 E-09-07-#05
The minutes were approved.

3.4 E-09-07-#06
The minutes were approved.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

4.1 ASEQ Health Plan Renewal (E-09-07-#010) [Tabled from E-09-07-#03]
WHEREAS the Health Plan has gone to tender, and ASEQ has returned three bids;
**BIRT** the PGSS instruct ASEQ to negotiate with [Sun Life, Desjardins, or Blue Cross - to be discussed] for the renewal of the Health Plan.

Motion failed.

4.2 PGSA Email addresses Motion (E-09-07-#017) [*Tabled from E-09-07-#03*]
**BIRT** the PGSS email address of *.pgss@mail.mcgill.ca and *.pgss@mcgill.ca be preserved for those acting an official capacity for the PGSS;
**BIFRT** ICS and NCS be instructed that any request created with the aforementioned formats without a motion of the PGSS Executive be revoked and that any such account activity ceased;
**BIYFRT** should such email accounts be issued to clubs PGSS executive motion;
**BIYFRT** the PGSS devise a policy to deal with this issue.

Motion tabled.

5. New Business

5.1 Commissioner Pool (E-09-07-#022) (President/ VP Finance)
**BIRT** the Executive delegate approval authority to the Executive-Commissioner Caucus for disbursements from the Commissioner Pool,
**BIFRT** that such approval must be given by a majority of present voting members of the Executive-Commissioner Caucus, and by a majority of present Executives
**BIYFRT** that no spending decision may be taken without the presence of at least two (2) members of the Executive.

Motion passed.

5.2 Commissioner Projects (E-09-07-#023) (President/ VP Finance)
**BIRT** up to $450 be approved from the Commissioner Pool for Environment Committee events Strawberry social, Green Night and Green Drinks;
**BIFRT** up to $50 be approved from the Commissioner Pool for the Student Support Commissioner's pamphlet and poster project.

Motion passed.

5.3 GSA Email Addresses (E-09-07-#024) (President/ VP Finance)
**BIRT** that a request be made to Legal Services for an email address to be created for the Physiology Graduate Students' Association,
**BIFRT** that the form of the address requested be "pgsa.med.pgss@mail.mcgill.ca"
**BIYFRT** that the account expire in one (1) year from the date of this motion,
**BIYFRT** that the usage of the e-mail account be subject to such regulation as the PGSS may choose to implement in the future.

Motion passed (1 opposed, VP External).
5.4 FEUQ Referendum Contract (E-09-07-#025) (President/ VP External)
WHEREAS the proposed referendum contract outlining the terms of affiliation with the FEUQ has been negotiated, and whereas it includes a clause that specifies that it is valid if and only if Council votes to hold the referendum;
BIRT that the President and the VP Finance sign the referendum contract with the FEUQ.

Motion tabled.

5.5 Senate Nominations (E-09-07-#026) (President/ VP External)
BIRT that the President be nominated for Senate nominating, and the VP Academic for Senate steering.

Motion passed.

5.6 Regulation Amendment (E-09-07-#027) (President/ VP External)
BIRT the Executive committee endorse the proposed regulation amendments put forward by the Committee on Monetary Affairs (CMA).

Motion passed.

5.7 MGSA Email Address (E-09-07-#028) (President/ VP Finance)
BIRT that the current MGSA email address be permitted to continue to exist for a period of 30 (days) days, and that the MGSA be notified of such, and invited to make a formal request for the mgsa.pgss@mail.mcgill.ca email address;
BIFRT if such a request is made, then it would be approved, and then the account would expire in one (1) year from the date of this motion;
BIYFRT that the usage of the e-mail account be subject to such regulation as the PGSS may choose to implement in the future.

Motion passed.

6. Discussion

6.1 University IT Policy
Discussion ensued.

6.2 Upcoming Meetings with University Administration
Discussion ensued.

6.3 Theatrical academic discussion panel
Discussion ensued.

6.4 Schedule of council meetings and guest speakers
Discussion ensued.
6.5 Schedule (or not) of exec and board meetings
Discussion ensued.

7. Adjournment
19h00
POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS’ SOCIETY OF McGill UNIVERSITY INC.
Minutes – Executive E-Meeting
01 August 2009
E09-08-#08

Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Harry Saitis

Call to Order
13h53

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Referendum Contract with the FEUQ (E-09-08-#029)

BIRT the PGSS sign the referendum contract with the FEUQ, and that the President and the VP-Finance sign the contract on behalf of the PGSS.

Motion passed.

Adjournment
18h52, 02 August 2009
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Harry Saitis

Call to Order
21h11

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Passing Motions in stead of Council (E-09-08-#030)

WHEREAS the Council meeting did not meet quorum;
WHEREAS the Executive Committee may act in stead of Council in ways that do not include Article or Bylaw changes;
WHEREAS it is imperative that the FEUQ referendum go forward, and that other initiatives go forward;

BIRT the Council ratify the following appointments, as recommended by the Nominating Committee:
(1) Laura Gougeon to the Academic Policy Committee’s Subcommittee on Courses and Teaching Programs;
(2) Graeme Watson to the Internal Affairs Committee;
(3) Tony Lim to the Committee for Graduate Student Support;
(4) Daniel Ambrosini to the Advisory Committee on Human Research Ethics;
(5) Daniel Ambrosini to the Research Policy Committee;
(6) Mostafa Elsayed to the Honorary Degrees and Convocations Committee; and
(7) Mostafa Elsayed to the Selection Committee for the Dean of Science.

BIRT the Council approve, from the PGSS/GPS grants program, the disbursement of up to:
(1) $240 to Alexandra Jahn for the project “Early career polar scientists career panel” [Grant ID 09-10--01]
(2) $700 to Jason Hickey for the project “Cultural Competence Workshop Series” [Grant ID 09-10--02]
(3) $700 to Anna Ezekiel for the project “McGill Philosophy Department Graduate Student Retreat” [Grant ID 09-10-03]
(4) $700 to Faisal Naqib for the project “iGEM 2009” [09-10--06]
(5) $700 to Leslie Cheung for the project “MSR Volume 1” [Grant ID 09-10--07]
(6) $645 to Tina Scardochio for the project “Pharmacology and Therapeutics Green Initiative” [Grant ID 09-10--08]
(7) $700 to Paul Holmquist for the project “Island catalogue of creative research” [Grant ID 09-10--09]
(8) $700 to Aimie Shaw for the project “Dire, traduire et écrire l’image” [Grant ID 09-10-10]

BIRT the PGSS hold a referendum, held by paper ballot, with campaign period from August 10th to August 21st, and voting period August 24th to August 28th, with the following question:
« Acceptez-vous que votre association, la Post-Graduate Students’ Society of McGill University (PGSS), devienne membre de la Fédération étudiante Universitaire du Québec (FEUQ) et qu’elle perçoive, à cette fin, la cotisation de 2,50$ par étudiant par semestre exigible par celle-ci à compter du 1er janvier 2010 ». 
“Are you in favour of the Post-Graduate Students’ Society of McGill University (PGSS) becoming a member of the Fédération étudiante universitaire du Québec (FEUQ), and of an amount of $2.50 per student per semester being levied for this end, beginning January 1st, 2010?”

BIRT Regulation 4.8.1 be modified by the addition of:
“The Elections Commissioner shall set a well-publicized period of no less than forty-eight (48) hours during which nominations for ROC chairpersons are to be received. If no nominations are received during this period, then the Elections Commissioner may, at his or her discretion, accept a later nomination.”

BIRT that for the FEUQ referendum, the amount of funding available to the ROCs be set at $500, rather than the usual $300; and
BIFRT that the extra monies required to fund this initiative come from the special budget item for the FEUQ referendum.

BIRT for the period of August 5th to September 5th 2009, an exception is to be made to Regulation 4.8.1 such that duly appointed representatives of the FEUQ shall be permitted to be members of the ‘YES’ referendum option committee for the FEUQ affiliation referendum. Such members shall not, however, be eligible to be the Chairperson of the referendum option committee.

BIRT that the PGSS Touring Town Hall Committee be created;
BIFRT that the committee be chaired by the President, and that the VPs Internal and Academic be members ex officio of the committee;
BIYFRT the committee will be charged with organizing and implementing the PGSS Touring Town Hall;
BISYFRT that there be fifteen (15) other members of the committee, to be selected immediately by approval of the Council, with responsibility as follows:

- one (1) representative for Burnside and Otto-Maas and nearby buildings;
- one (1) representative for MacDonald, McConnell, Adams and nearby buildings;
- one (1) representative for Birks and Wilson and nearby buildings;
- one (1) representative for Rutherford, Trottier, Wong, and nearby buildings;
- one (1) representative for Leacock, Arts, Morrice Hall, MacLennan, and nearby buildings;
- one (1) representative for Mac Medical, Stewart Bio, smaller institutes to the West, and nearby buildings;
- one (1) representative for MacDonald Campus;
- one (1) representative for Strathcona Anatomy and Dentistry, the Royal Victoria, and nearby buildings;
- one (1) representative for 688 Sherbrooke, and nearby buildings;
- one (1) representative for Schulich, Strathcona Music, and nearby buildings;
- one (1) representative for the Lady Davis / Montreal General Hospital and associated institutions;
- one (1) representative for the Douglas Institute;
- one (1) representative for the Law buildings and for the Education buildings; and
- two (2) members at large;

BISYFRT if a seat remains unfilled, then the Chair may fill it immediately with an interested individual, by notifying the Services Director of such. Such appointments are to be ratified at the next Council meeting;

BISYFRT representatives for particular areas will be responsible for coordinating the PGSS Touring Town Hall session in their particular area, and that members at large will work together with others who are interested in coordinating the entire schedule, and developing materials for the session;

BISYFRT the PGSS Touring Town Halls will discuss the upcoming taskforce on diversity, funding, student space, and any other issues deemed relevant by the committee, or by the Town Hall participants; and

BISYFRT the committee will submit a report, after the end of the Touring Town Hall, outlining the feedback received at the town halls, and that upon the submission of this report to the Council, the committee will cease to exist.

BIRT that recognized departmental and faculty PGSA's receive, upon recognition for the 2009/2010 school year, $200 per semester from the budget line for the PGSA core funding initiative;

BIFRT that the VP (Finance) be authorized to make such payments to recognized departmental and faculty PGSA's at the end of October 2009 and February 2009;

BIYFRT that the President, in conjunction with the VP (Finance), present a report in April Council outlining the effectiveness of the programme, in which suggestions for statutes to implement it permanently may be made.

Motions passed.

Adjournment
14h50, 06 August 2009
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi,
Absent: VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Internal Harry Saitis

Call to Order
16h30

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Approval of Minutes

2.1 E-09-07-#07 Minutes approved.
2.2 EMeeeting-09-08-#08 Minutes approved.
2.3 EMeeting-09-08-#09 Minutes approved.

3. Announcements

No announcements.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

4.1 PGSA Email addresses Motion (E-09-07-#017) [Tabled from from E-09-07-#07]
BIRT the PGSS email address of *.pgss@mail.mcgill.ca and *.pgss@mcgill.ca be preserved for those acting an official capacity for the PGSS;
BIFRT ICS and NCS be instructed that any request created with the aforementioned formats without a motion of the PGSS Executive be revoked and that any such account activity ceased;
BIYFRT should such email accounts be issued to clubs PGSS executive motion; BIYFRT the PGSS devise a policy to deal with this issue.

Motion Failed.

4.2 FEUQ Referendum Contract (E-09-07-#025) [Tabled from E-09-07-#07] BIRT the President and the VP Finance sign the referendum contract with the FEUQ.

[Note: This has already passed in e-meeting.]

Motion Failed.

5. New Business

5.1 MGSS Email Address (E-09-08-#031) (President/ VP Finance) WHEREAS an error was made in the name of the MGSS; and WHEREAS the MGSS has made an official request for the email address; BIRT motion E-09-07-#028 be amended such that "MGSA" be replaced with "MGSS" and that "mgsa.pgss@mail.mcgill.ca" be replaced with "mgss.pgss@mail.mcgill.ca"; BIFRT the Executive acknowledge the official receipt of notice of request for an email address by the MGSS.

Motion passed.

5.2 Executive Cell Phone Costs (E-09-08-#032) (VP External/ President) WHEREAS a board resolution permits the subsidy of executive cell phones; BIRT the President receive $40 per month to defray the costs of cellular telephony; BIRT the VP-External receive $40 per month to defray the costs of cellular telephony.

Motion tabled.

5.3 Email Deletion (E-09-08-#033) (President/ VP Finance) BIRT the addresses listed in Addendum 1 be recommended for deletion.

Motion passed.

5.4 Committee Appointment (E-09-08-#034) President/ VP Finance) BIRT the Senate Commissioner be appointed as the PGSS representative to the Advisory Committee for the Selection of the Dean of Libraries.

Motion passed.

5.5 VP External Universal Transit Plan Investigations (E-09-08-#035) (VP External/ President) [From Council, to be ratified in September]
BIRT the Council mandate the VP (External) to continue investigating the possibilities for a universal transit plan, and that she investigate and communicate widely.

Motion passed.

5.6 MCGSS Orientation (E-09-08-#036) (VP External/ President)
BIRT up to $200 for MCGSS orientation be allocated from the Internal budget.

Motion passed.

5.7 TEDxMcGill Event (E-09-08-#037) (VP External/ President)
BIRT up to $500 be allocated for supporting the TEDxMcGill event from the Executive Pool.

Motion passed.

5.8 YES' and 'NO' FEUQ Referendum Committees (E-09-08-#038) (President/ VP External)
BIRT up to $600 be allocated from the Elections budget to support the 'YES' and 'NO' committees to the amount of $300 per committee.

Motion passed.

5.9 Research/Archiver Project Proposal (E-09-08-#039) (VP External/ President)
BIRT the Research/Archiver project proposal (see Addendum 2) be funded from the "Researcher/Archiver" budget line item;
BIFRT the VP-External be responsible for coordinating the project;
BIYFRT a hiring committee consisting of the VP-External and the President be struck, with a mandate to hire a researcher with a term of at most nine (9) months;
BIYSFRT the VP-External be required to present a report(s) to Council detailing results.

Motion passed.

5.10 PGSS Members - Leave of Absence (E-09-08-#040) (VP Finance/ VP External)
WHEREAS PGSS members who take a leave of absence generally do so for medical or health reasons;
WHEREAS only PGSS members have access to the PGSS health and dental insurance plan;
WHEREAS it would be harmful to revoke access to insurance during such a leave;
BIRT regular PGSS members who take a leave of absence for medical or health reasons may retain full PGSS membership.

Motion tabled.

6. Adjournment
17h13
Addendum 1

Internal usage addresses listed in bold.

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Addendum 2

Research / Archiving Project Proposal

The PGSS has been a member of both the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS), and Canadian Federation of Students, Québec Component (CFS-Q) for over a decade (the
two organizations will be referred together as CFS(-Q)). In this time, a great deal of documentation and correspondence has been generated regarding our participation in the CFS(-Q): the PGSS has collected over 75 binders of CFS(-Q) meeting materials, and over 125 PGSS council and annual general meetings have taken place in which reports have been tabled or discussion has taken place regarding the CFS(-Q). Past efforts, particularly in the 2005-2006 term, have consolidated some of the materials related to the CFS(-Q). However, a great deal of information has been omitted or is unclear, and no effort has ever been made to produce a coherent narrative regarding the PGSS’s involvement with the CFS(-Q).

The External Affairs Committee’s (EAC) is in the process of producing an analysis of municipal, provincial and federal representation options for the PGSS. Given the PGSS’s extensive documented history with the CFS(-Q), it would be instructive to review and analyse the PGSS’s experience with these organizations. It is thus proposed that the “Researcher / Archiver” budget line be allocated to the EAC for that purpose. The following is a draft budget that the EAC might consider:

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The following is a possible motion for the consideration of the Executive Committee for the purpose of engaging this initiative:

   BIRT the “Researcher / Archiver” budget line be allocated for use by the External Affairs Committee under the stewardship of the Vice-President (External) for the purpose of reviewing and analysing the relationship of the PGSS with the lobby groups with which it currently holds membership.
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis

Absent: VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Called to Order
13h29

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Approval of the Minutes

2.1 E-09-08-#10
Approved as amended.

3. Announcements

No announcements.

4. Reports

No announcements.

5. Business Arising from the Minutes

5.1 Executive Cell Phone Costs (E-09-08-#032) (VP External/ President) [Tabled from E-09-08-#10]
WHEREAS a board resolution permits the subsidy of executive cell phones;
BIRT the President receive $40 per month to defray the costs of cellular telephony;
BIRT the VP-External receive $40 per month to defray the costs of cellular telephony;
Amendment:
BIRT the VP-Finance receive $40 per month to defray the costs of cellular telephony.

Motion passed unanimously as amended.

5.2 PGSS Members - Leave of Absence (E-09-08-#040) (VP Finance/VP External)
[Tabled from E-09-08-#10]
WHEREAS PGSS members who take a leave of absence generally do so for medical or health reasons;
WHEREAS only PGSS members have access to the PGSS health and dental insurance plan;
WHEREAS it would be harmful to revoke access to insurance during such a leave;
BIRT regular PGSS members who take a leave of absence for medical or health reasons may retain full PGSS membership.

Amendment:
BIRT regular PGSS members who take a leave of absence for medical, familial or health reasons may retain full PGSS membership;
BIFRT such a member may be called upon to pay PGSS service fees if not already so paying;
BIFRT such members continue to have all the rights and obligations of PGSS membership.

Motion passed as amended.

6. New Business

6.1 Resignation of the Elections Commissioner (E-09-08-#041) (President)
BIRT the Executive accept the resignation of the Elections Commissioner.

Motion passed unanimously.

6.2 Resignation of the Environment Commissioner (E-09-08-#042) (President)
BIRT the Executive accept the resignation of the Environment Commissioner;
BIFRT the Executive extends its thanks to Jessica Ward for her committed and excellent services as Environment Commissioner.

Motion passed unanimously.

6.3 Lifetime Membership to Noveline Downer (E-09-08-#043) (President)
BIRT that Noveline Downer be granted a life membership to Thomson House.

Motion passed unanimously.

6.4 DJ for Softball Party (E-09-08-#044) (VP Internal)
BIRT up to $150 be allocated for hiring a DJ for the end of softball league party from the Internal budget.

Motion passed unanimously.

6.5 Deletion of Email Addresses (E-09-08-#045) (President)
BIRT hm.pgss and hc.pgss be removed from the list for desired deletion of email address;
BIFRT the deletion request be delayed until time has occurred for a further review.

Motion passed unanimously.

6.6 QPIP Research Project (E-09-08-#046) (President)
BIRT $2,400 be allocated from the Family Care Commissioner Research Budget to the QPIP research project being undertaken at Universite de Montreal.
[See addendum]

Motion passed unanimously.

7. Discussion

7.1 Ancillary fees, Athletics
Discussion ensued.

7.2 Return on issues from Krieswirth
Discussion ensued.

7.3 CFS-Q
Discussion ensued.

7.3.1 Letter to CFS(-Services) (E-09-08-#047) (VP-External)
BIRT the President send a letter to CFS(-Services) asserting that the PGSS recognizes CFS-Q Inc, as the Quebec component of CFS(-Services).

Motion passed unanimously.

7.4 FEUQ Referendum
Discussion ensued.

7.5 PGSS Website
Discussion ensued.

7.6 Non-members present at Council meetings
Discussion ensued.
7.6.1 Council Guest (E-09-08-#048) (VP External)

BIRT the Council Commissioner be mandated to determine an effective method for differentiating councilors, guests, and non-PGSS guests.

Motion passed unanimously.

7.7 Supervision Workshop for Faculty
Discussion ensued.

8. Adjournment
14h49
POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS’ SOCIETY OF McGIN UNIVERSITY INC.

Executive Meeting - Minutes
Thomson House 403
04 September 2009 – 13h30
E-09-09-#12

Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Internal Charlampos Saitis, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi (via telephone)

Absent: VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Call to Order
15h37

1. Approval of the Agenda

Agenda approved as amended.

2. Approval of the Minutes

2.1 E-09-09-#11
Approval of the minutes postponed.

3. Reports

No reports.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

5. New Business

5.1 Letter to the FEUQ (E-09-09-#049) (VP External)
BIRT the President send an official letter to the FEUQ with the results of the referendum.
[Please see the addendum.]

Motion passed unanimously.
5.2 Motion to support movement to consult the membership regarding CFS(-Services) disaffiliation (E-09-09-#050) (VP External)

BIRT the Executive Committee support, in solidarity, the VP-External and the EAC in the completion of the re-evaluation of the PGSS's membership in the Canadian Federation of Students(-Services)

BIFRT the Executive Committee support the collection of signatures for a petition calling for a referendum on the question of CFS(-Services) disaffiliation.

Motion passed unanimously.

5.3 DJ for Housewarming party (E-09-09-#051) (VP Internal)

BIRT that up to $150 be allocated from the Internal budget for hiring a DJ for the Housewarming party.

Motion passed unanimously.

6. Discussion

6.1 PGSAs Conference (October 3) (VP Internal)
Discussion ensued.

6.2 Discover PGSS (September 17) (VP Internal)
Discussion ensued.

6.3 Possible invitation of PhDComics' Jorge Cham to give a talk. (VP Internal)
Discussion ensued.

6.4 VP-Internal and Social Commissioner Division of Tasks (VP Internal)
Discussion ensued.

6.5 First council meeting: refreshments (E-09-09-#052) (President)

BIRT that up to $50 from the President's budget be allocated for after-council refreshments.

Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment
16h27
PGSS

POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS’ SOCIETY OF McGill UNIVERSITY INC.
Minutes – Executive E-Meeting
11 September 2009
E09-09-#13

Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Harry Saitis

Absent: VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Call to Order
8h41

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Support for SEDE Office Calendar Launch (E-09-09-#053)

BIRT $100 be allocated from the VP Internal Budget for supporting the SEDE Office Calendar Launch.

Motions passed.

Adjournment
8h21, 15 September 2009
E-09-09-#14
APPROVED

POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS’ SOCIETY OF McGILL UNIVERSITY INC.

Executive Meeting - Minutes
Thomson House 403
25 September 2009 – 14h00
E-09-09-#14

Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Absent: VP Internal Charalampos Saitis

Call to Order
14h12

1. Approval of the Agenda

Agenda approved as amended.

2. Approval of the Minutes

2.1 E-09-08-#11
Minutes approved as amended.

2.2 E-09-09-#12
Minutes approved.

2.3 E-09-09-#13
Minutes approved.

3. Reports

The VP External reported that the Services Coordinator has received a petition to hold a referendum on CFS disaffiliation.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

5. New Business
5.1 Letter of Support (E-09-09-#054) (President)
BIRT the President write, on behalf of the Executive, a letter of support for the
FEUQ, MAUT-MUNACA, and CREPUQ submission to the parliamentary
commission on Bill 38.

Motion passed unanimously.

5.2 Pre-council Orientation Event (E-09-09-#055) (President)
BIRT up to $150 from the Executive Budget be allocated for the pre-council
orientation event scheduled for October 2.

Motion passed unanimously.

5.3 Allocation of funds from the Internal Budget (E-09-09-#056) (VP Internal)
BIRT up to $30 from the Internal Budget be allocated for providing drinks at the
September Speed Dating event.
BIFRT up to $50 from the Internal Budget be allocated for providing drinks at the
September Karaoke event.
BIYFRT up to $25 from the Internal Budget be allocated for purchasing DVDs to
facilitate Movie nights.

Motion passed unanimously.

5.4 External Affairs Solidarity Fund (E-09-09-#057) (VP External)
BIRT that the PGSS start a student union external affairs solidarity fund for the
purpose of research and costs under the administration of the External Affairs
Committee and the direct supervision of the VP-External;
BIFRT the PGSS contact other student unions to contribute to the student union
external affairs solidarity fund;
BIYFRT the PGSS set aside $1000 from the Executive Pool for this purpose.

Motion passed unanimously.

6. Discussion

6.1 MBA tuition issue, media response, and plan for future action/inaction
Discussion ensued.

6.2 FEUQ Anniversary event in Trois-Rivieres
Discussion ensued.

6.3 Meetings with Provost and Principal
Meeting dates:
October 2 1:30-2:30 Principal
October 6 9-10 Provost
Discussion ensued.
6.4 Ancillary Fees Plan
Discussion ensued.

6.5 Ideas for topics for the touring town hall
Discussion ensued.

6.6 Verification of petition
Discussion ensued.

Adjournment
15h45
POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS’ SOCIETY OF MCGILL UNIVERSITY INC.

Executive Meeting - Minutes
Thomson House 406
30 September 2009 – 16h00
E-09-09-#15

Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis

Call to Order
16h06

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Approval of the Minutes

2.1 E-09-09-#14
Tabled to next meeting.

3. Reports

The VP External gave a brief report.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

5. New Business

5.1 Sending someone to CAGS (E-09-09-#058) (President)
BIRT up to $1,000 be allocated from the Executive budget to send up to 2 Executives to CAGS.
BIFRT the President make best efforts to secure funding.

Motion passed unanimously.

5.2 FEUQ anniversary in Trois Rivieres (E-09-09-#059) (President)
BIRT up to $200 be allocated from the Executive budget to send a PGSS delegation to the FEUQ anniversary in Trois Rivieres.

Motion passed unanimously.

6. Discussion

6.1 January Orientation (VP Internal)
Discussion ensued.

6.2 September Orientation results (VP Internal)
Discussion ensued.

6.3 New PGSAs Conference date (VP Internal)
Discussion ensued.

6.4 Student-Dean Lunch (VP Internal)
Discussion ensued.

6.5 Nom com stuff (VP Academic)
Discussion ensued.

6.6 Drinks with Dean Kreiswirth and new Secretary-General Strople (President)
Discussion ensued.

6.7 Skills Development Workshops (VP Academic)
Discussion ensued.

6.8 Meetings with Principal and Provost (President)
Discussion ensued.

6.9 Alcohol Policy (President)
Discussion ensued.

6.10 2009-2010 PGSS Lecture Series (VP Internal)
Discussion ensued.

6.11 Research Policy Committee
Discussion ensued.

Adjournment
17h04
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Regrets: VP Internal Charalampos Saitis

Call to Order
14h22

1. Approval of the Agenda

Agenda was approved.

2. Approval of the Minutes

2.1 E-09-09-#14
Minutes were approved.

2.2 E-09-09-#15
Minutes were approved as amended.

3. New Business

3.1 CFS-Q Members' Action Fund (E-09-10-#060) (VP External)

BIRT the PGSS start a CFS-Q Members' Action Fund by contributing $10,000 from the Executive Pool;

BIFRT this fund be monitored and administered by the External Affairs Committee under the direct supervision of the VP External.

Motion passed unanimously.

3.2 Motions for the AGM of the CFS (E-09-10-#061) (VP External)
BIRT the PGSS delegation put forward the attached motions for the Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Federation of Students of November 2009.

Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment
15h23
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Call to Order
19h21

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 PGSS delegation to the CFS 28th AGM (E-09-10-#062) (VP External)

BIRT the PGSS delegation to the CFS 28th Annual General Meeting held on November 25 - 28, 2009 shall consist only of Ladan Mahabadi, Daniel Simeone, Adrian Kaats, as voting members, and Erin Hale, Liam Mooney, Dean Tester, and Jose Barrios as non voting members;
BIFRT The aforementioned shall be the PGSS delegates to all CFS, CFS-Services, and CFS-Quebec meetings of all kinds held in Ottawa during November 25 - 28, 2009.

Motions passed unanimously.

Adjournment
17h11, 18 October 2009
POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS’ SOCIETY OF McGill UNIVERSITY INC.
Minutes – Executive E-Meeting
21 October 2009
E09-10-#18

Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Call to Order
15h11

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Committee Recommendations (E-09-10-#063) (VP Academic)
WHEREAS the following committees:
International Student Services
Joint Advisory Health and Safety Committee
Charter of Student Rights
Mental Health Service Advisory Board
need to be urgently filled as per the university request, before November Council Meeting on November 4th, 2009, in order to be able to carry out meetings prior to this date;
BIRT the following candidates be nominated to the corresponding committees:

Arash Nourian for:
International Student Services
Joint Advisory Health and Safety Committee

Sophia Kapchinsky for:
Charter of Student Rights

Nicole Bailey for:
Mental Health Service Advisory Board

Antol Lebedev for:
Teaching and Learning Spaces Working Group
APC Subcommittee on Teaching and Learning

Motions passed unanimously.
1.2 Resignation of Council Commissioner (E-09-10-#064) (President)

WHEREAS the resignation of the Council Commissioner, John Ashley Burgoyne has been received;
BIRT the Executive accept the resignation of John Ashley Burgoyne.

Motions passed unanimously.

Adjournment
11h21, 22 October 2009
Executive Meeting - Minutes
Thomson House 405
28 October 2009 – 16h00
E-09-10-#19

Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi

Regrets: VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Call to Order
16h00

1. Approval of the Agenda

Agenda approved.

2. Approval of the Minutes

2.1 E-09-10-#16
Approval of minutes postponed.

2.2 EMeeting-09-10-#17
Approval of minutes postponed.

2.3 EMeeting-09-10-#18
Approval of minutes postponed.

3. New Business

3.1 Lifetime Membership: Rabia Khan (E-09-10-#065) (President)
WHERAS the other Executive members from 2009/2010 are automatically life members of the PGSS under Article 4.1.1 (or will be at the end of 2010/2011),
BIRT Rabia Khan be granted a lifetime special membership to the PGSS, and thanked for her contribution to resolving the PGSS financial crisis.

Motion passed.

3.2 DVD Purchase (E-09-10-#066) (President (on behalf of the absent VP-Internal)
BIRT $17.87 be allocated from the VP Internal Budget for the purchase of the Rocky Horror Picture Show DVD.

Motion passed.

3.3 CAGS Trip Funding (E-09-10-#067) (President)
WHEREAS the request for funding from the GPS has so far proved fruitless, and;
WHEREAS the President has obtained an excellent price on plane tickets, and an excellent price on accommodation, but the budgeted $1000 is insufficient to send two people;
BIRT the amount allocated to the CAGS trip be revised upwards to $1,600.

Motion passed.

3.4 Committee Member Welcoming Event (E-09-10-#068) (VP Academic)
WHEREAS the VP Academic would like to carry out a welcoming event to welcome all new members to PGSS committees. The event aims to highlight the roles of PGSS representatives in various PGSS/University/Senate committees. Expected number of people 75. And the proposed place is Thomson Ball Room. The proposed date is Nov. 10th. from 5 to 8 PM.
BIRT ____ be allocated from ____ to cover the expenditures of the event.

Motion tabled.

3.5 Cell Phone Costs: VP Academic (E-09-10-#069) (VP Academic)
BIRT that up to $40 per month be allocated from the Exec pool for PGSS-related cellular telephony for the VP-Academic.
BIRT that up to $40 per month be allocated from the Exec pool for PGSS-related cellular telephony for the VP-Internal.

Motion passed.

3.6 Car Rental for FEUQ Congress (E-09-10-#070) (VP External)
WHEREAS the VP External did not use the allocated ($200) to the FEUQ 20th anniversay;
BIRT $200 be allocated from the External Budget to accommodate for a rental car for EAC's delegates' attendance at the upcoming FEUQ congress on November 7 - 8 in Sherbrooke.

Motion passed.

3.7 Federal Granting Councils (E-09-10-#071) (VP External)
WHEREAS the attached "Toward a Graduate Student Voice in the Federal Granting Councils" has been prepared in collaboration with the attendees of the GG13 2009, and the FEUQ calling for "the creation of graduate student seats on each of the three federal granting councils (NSERC, CIHR and SSHRC);"
WHEREAS Graduate students are stakeholders within Canada's educational system;
WHEREAS the GG13 and the FEUQ who support this call represent over 100,000 students across Canada;
**BIRT the Executive support the call for student representation on the federal granting Councils and their decision making committees.**

Motion passed.

4. Discussion

4.1 CAGS
Discussion ensued.

4.2 Financial Statements
Discussion ensued.

5. Adjournment
16h19
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Call to Order
22h21

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Committee Member Welcome Night (E-09-11-#072) (VP Academic)

WHEREAS the VP academic would like to carry out an event to welcome new committee members who were recently appointed as PGSS representatives.
WHEREAS the event shall aim to:

1. Welcome all new committee members (average of 75 new PGSS representatives).
2. Define the roles of PGSS/University/Senate committees.
3. Clarify the roles of PGSS committee’s representatives.
4. Highlight the feedback procedure between PGSS representatives and PGSS.
5. Answer all questions and concerns of new PGSS representatives in a cozy environment.

BIRT that 350.00$ be allocated for Pizza and Coke for the event taking place on November 16th, 2009 from 5 to 7 pm at Thomson Ball Room.

Motion passed.

Adjournment
19h01, 03 November 2009
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Call to Order
12h31

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Delegation to the CFS 28th General Meeting (E-09-11-#073) (VP External)

BIRT the PGSS delegation to the CFS 28th General Meeting established in October 2009, approved unanimously by the Executive (attached Executive motion), shall adhere to the following rules:

1. Only the voting members, namely Adrian Kaats, Ladan Mahabadi and Daniel Simeone may vote and speak on behalf of the PGSS
2. The non-voting members may attend all meetings, but shan't vote or speak on behalf of the PGSS.
3. They shall identify themselves as non-voting members of the delegation. The non-voting members are staff to provide support, research materials, observe and preserve the proceedings of the meeting.

BIFRT that only the PGSS delegation chosen by the VP External in October and supported by the Executive in October, and not any other individual member(s), represent McGill students at the CFS General Meeting.

Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment
22h41, 07 November 2009
Minutes – Executive E-Meeting
14 November 2009
E09-11-#22

Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Call to Order
19h22

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 CFS 28th Annual General Meeting delegation - Council Listserv (E-09-11-#074) (VP External)

BIRT the President communicate with the Councillors, via the Council listserv, with an update on the CFS 28th Annual General Meeting delegation, as set by motion of the Executive in October 2009.

Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment
15h01, 15 November 2009
POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS’ SOCIETY OF McGill UNIVERSITY INC.
Minutes – Executive E-Meeting
17 November 2009
E09-11-#23

Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Call to Order
18h11

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Council Listserv Email Distribution (E-09-11-#075) (President)

WHEREAS the Council listserv is under the purview of Exec/Steering, and
WHEREAS a request has been received;
BIRT the email from Councillor Carlyle be distributed on the Council listserv.

Motion failed (1 in favour, VP Internal).

Adjournment
18h05, 20 November 2009
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis

Regrets: VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Call to Order
16h37

1. Approval of the Agenda

Agenda approved.

2. Approval of the Minutes

2.1 E-09-10-#16
Minutes approved

2.2 EMeeting-09-10-#17
Minutes approved.

2.3 EMeeting-09-10-#18
Minutes approved.

2.4 E-09-10-#19
Minutes approved as amended.

2.5 Emeeting-09-11-#20
Minutes approved.

2.6 EMeeting-09-11-#21
Minutes approved.

2.7 EMeeting-09-11-#22
Minutes approved.
2.8 EMeeting-09-11-#23
Minutes approved.

3. Reports

The VP External reported on the transit survey and the VP Internal reported on the PGSA conference.

4. New Business

4.1 Protect and Indemnify Executive Officers (E-09-11-#076) (VP External)
BIRT the PGSS will protect and indemnify its executive officers (VP Finance, President, VP External, VP Academic and VP Internal) from and against any action taken by CFS Inc. and/or CFS-Services Inc., either directly or indirectly or through a third party or otherwise. PGSS will take up the defense of the executive officer and pay all legal fees and any condemnation in debt, interest and costs. The executive officer shall cooperate with PGSS in the defense of any such claim. This indemnity shall apply to protect the executive officer for all actions taken while such person holds office (June 2009 - May 31, 2010).

Motion passed unanimously.

4.2 Closing plenary of the CFS-AGM (E-09-11-#077) (VP External)
BIRT up to $150 be allocated from the Exec pool to allow for the VP-Academic and the VP-Internal to come to Gatineau for the closing plenary of the CFS-AGM on November 28, 09.

Motion passed unanimously.

4.3 PGSS/GSAs Conference Expenses (E-09-11-#078) (VP Internal)
BIRT $891.86 be allocated from the VP Internal budget for (a) renting the Thomson House Ballroom for and (b) catering the PGSS/GSAs Conference, which took place on November 21, 2009.

Motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion

5.1 CFS-AGM
Discussion ensued.

5.2 Thomson House Reports
Discussion ensued.

6. Adjournment 17h06
E09-11-#25
APPROVED

POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS’ SOCIETY OF McgILL UNIVERSITY INC.
Executive Meeting - Minutes
Thomson House 405
30 November 2009 - 19h30
E09-11-#25

Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Regrets: VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Call to Order
19h56

1. Discussion

1.1 CFS-AGM Discussion
Discussion ensued.

2. New Business

2.1 Support for Defederation from CFS(-Services) Inc. (E-09-11-#079) (VP Internal/President)
WHEREAS the manner in which the PGSS delegation to the CFS-AGM, held on November 25-28 2009, was treated is reprehensible;
WHEREAS the utter disrespect for the core principles of democracy, for the law, and for internal governance is likewise reprehensible;
WHEREAS and effective student movement would respect dissent, respect difference, and respect autonomy, which the CFS does not;
WHEREAS the good faith attempts of the PGSS to help create a workable organization were uncritically rebuffed;
BIRT the PGSS support defederation from the CFS(-Services) Inc. in the briefest delay possible.

Motion passed unanimously.

2.2 Birthday Wishes (E-09-11-#080) (President)
BIRT Dahlia be wished a happy birthday.

Motion passed unanimously.
Adjournment
21h26
Minutes – Executive E-Meeting
07 December 2009
E09-12-#26

Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Charalampous Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Absent: VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Call to Order
21h01

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Mental Health Services Advisory Board (E-09-12-#081) (President)

BIRT that Elizabeth Cawley be named to the Mental Health Services Advisory Board as the PGSS rep.

Motion passed.

Adjournment
11h01, 11 December 2009
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Absent: VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Call to Order
9h31

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Green Month Budget Allocation (E-09-12-#082) (President)

BIRT $540 be allocated from the Commissioner Pool for Green Month.

Motion passed.

Adjournment
11h01, 11 December 2009
EXECUTIVE MEETING - MINUTES
Thomson House 405
21 January 2010 - 19h30
E10-01-#28

Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Call to Order
20h23

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Approval of the Minutes

2.1 E-09-11-#24
Minutes approved.

2.2 E-09-11-#25
Minutes approved.

2.3 EMeeting-09-12-#26
Minutes approved.

2.4 EMeeting-09-12-#27
Minutes approved.

3. Reports

No reports.

4. New Business

4.1 Love/Sex Week Budget (E-10-01-#083) (VP Internal)
BIRT up to $1,500 from the VP Internal budget by allocated for Love/Sex week.

Motion passed.
4.2 Elections Allocation (E-10-01-#084) (President)
BIRT up to $2,000 from the Elections Budget be allocated for elections advertising.

Motion passed.

4.3 Legal Steps against CFS (E-10-01-#085) (VP External)
WHEREAS PGSS Council has mandated the Executive to:
BIRT PGSS hold a referendum between January 15, 2010 and April 15, 2010
concerning the issue of whether PGSS members wish for PGSS to remain a member
of CFS Inc. and CFS Inc. affiliated entities;
BIFRT PGSS take all steps necessary to safeguard the integrity of the process.
WHEREAS a letter has been sent to the CFS Chair, Deputy Chair, and Treasurer stating
the PGSS' requested date for the CFS-PGSS referendum, and the CFS-PGSS Referendum
Oversight Committee;
BIRT the PGSS Executive proceed with taking the needed legal steps should the
CFS not respond back in an adequate manner by January 25, 2010.

Motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion

5.1 CFS Update
Discussion ensued.

5.2 Queer Grad Caucus
Discussion ensued.

5.3 Love/Sex Week budget update
Discussion ensued.

5.4 Queer Week update
Discussion ensued.

5.5 MoA with McGill
Discussion ensued.

5.6 Paid Maternity/Paternity Leave
Discussion ensued.

5.7 Electronic PDF forms
Discussion ensued.

Adjournment
21h55
Call to Order
16h04

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Approval of the Minutes

2.1 E10-02-#29
The minutes were approved.

3. Reports

Each Executive gave a brief report.

4. New Business

4.1 Maternity/Paternity Survey and Advertising (E-10-02-#086) (VP Academic)
WHEREAS the VP Academic would like to carry out a survey to have in depth information about the number of graduate students interested in the paid maternity/paternity leave of absence;
WHEREAS the analyzed data will be shared with PGSS Council, The McGill Administration, the FEUQ and the Quebec Government and will form a solid foundation for the proposal of this project;
BIRT that up to $100 be allocated for carrying out the survey at surveymonkey.com during February 2010 and March 2010 and up to 150 $ be allocated for printing flyers and posters to be distributed among campus and at council to raise awareness about the project and encourage graduate students to respond to the survey.

Motion passed.
4.2 FEUQ Congress at Thomson House *(E-10-02-#087) (VP External)*
BIRT up to $385 be allocated from the Executive budget for the FEUQ Congress to be held at Thomson House.

Motion passed.

4.3 CFS NGC *(E-10-02-#088) (VP External)*
BIRT up to $500 be allocated from the Executive budget for the CFS NGC held from Feb 25 - 27, 2009;
BIFRT the VP External be the sole representative of the PGSS at the aforementioned meeting.

Motion passed.

As a member of the ROC, E. Pollanen left the room for the following motion.

4.4 Motion for Council: CFS Referendum *(E-10-02-#089) (VP External)*
BIRT that the Executive submit the following motion to Council:

BIRT Council enter into committee of the whole to discuss the following proposed motion:
Whereas the PGSS has been a member of the CFS;
Whereas the concerns with the operations of the CFS and its interactions with the PGSS have been presented to council for at least the past year;
Whereas the PGSS has made two previous attempts to leave the CFS in 2001 and 2006;
BIRT PGSS' Council endorse leaving the Canadian Federation of Students in the upcoming referendum held from March 29, 2010 - April 1, 2010.

Motion withdrawn.

4.5 Donation to the ACCM *(E-10-02-#090) (VP Internal)*
Whereas the Aids Community Care Montreal has offered a free workshop on safer sex for the PGSS members;
Whereas the ACCM is a volunteer organization;
BIRT $300 be allocated from the VP Internal budget to make a donation to the ACCM.

Motion passed.

4.6 Jorge Cham "phdcomics.com" talk, March 9th, 2010 *(E-10-02-#091) (VP Internal)*
BIRT up to $2000 be allocated from the Executive pool for the Jorge Cham PhD speaking tour, held in collaboration with AESCP (Polytechnique grads).

Motion passed.
4.7 Queer Delight (E-10-02-#092) (VP Internal)
Whereas the IAC has collaborated with Queer McGill to organize "Queer Delight 2010;"
BIRT up to $1000 be allocated from the VP Internal budget for the events of "Queer Delight 2010."

Motion passed.

4.8 Sustainability Referendum Question (E-10-02-#093) (President)
WHEREAS Student Accounts has been consulted on the referendum question,
AND WHEREAS the Elections Commissioner and Environment Commissioner have been informed of the suggestion from Student Accounts, and agree that this is both reasonable and feasible,

BIRT that the Sustainability referendum question be replaced so that it reads:

"Do you agree to institute a fee toward a Sustainable Projects Fund starting in the Fall semester 2010 and ending in the Winter semester 2013 with the per-semester fee as per the following fee schedule?

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BIFRT the President immediately contact council via the listserv to notify Council of the change, and that the issue be brought forward to Council for ratification.

Motion passed.

4.9 Creation of Listserv (E-10-02-#094) (VP Academic)
BIRT two Listservs be created, one for PGSS Committees and one for Senate/University Committees;
BIFRT the PGSS VP Academic, President, and Services Coordinator have access to these two Listservs.

Motion passed.

5. Discussion

5.1 CFS Update
Discussion ensued.

5.2 Transit Update
Discussion ensued.

5.3 Ancillary Fees Update
Discussion ensued.
5.4 Legal Issues
Discussion ensued in closed session.
[See Appendix A.]

5.5 Maternity/Paternity Survey Results
Discussion ensued.

5.6 Academic Affair Caucus Report Regarding Mat/Pat Project
Discussion ensued.

5.7 University Affair Committee Report Regarding Mat/Pat Project
Discussion ensued.

5.8 LaTeX workshop
Discussion ensued.

5.9 "Promoting Undergraduate Teaching" Panel Discussion "PGSS, SSMU, AGSEM"
Discussion ensued.

5.10 Post-doctoral taxation
Discussion ensued.

5.11 Annual General Meeting
Discussion ensued.

5.12 Discussion on Conduct
Discussion ensued.

5.13 Promoting and Marketing
Discussion tabled.

Adjournment
17h39
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Regrets: VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Call to Order
16h36

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Reports

Brief reports were given.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

3.1 Discussion on Conduct
Discussion ensued.

4. New Business

4.1 Advisory Committee for the Selection of a VP Administration and Finance (E-10-03-#095) (VP Academic)
BIRT Daniel Simeone be appointed to the Advisory Committee for the Selection of a VP Administration and Finance.
BIFRT this be ratified by Council tomorrow.

Motion passed.

4.2 SKIN movie screening (E-10-03-#096) (President)
Whereas the Nelson Mandela Children's Fund Presents the Montreal Premiere of SKIN on March 12th, 2010 at 6pm. The film will be screened in the Leacock Building, room 132, and doors will open at 5:30pm. Whereas McGill graduate have a unique opportunity to view an award-winning film that has not been released in theatres. Whereas the director has offered a special screening for McGill students in an effort to raise money for the Nelson Mandela Children Foundation. Whereas previous the International Development Studies Department was going to cover the cost of the screening license, but can now only provide 50$ of the 350$ fee. **BIRT the PGSS provide $200, from the Exec-Commissioner Pool, to help offset the cost so that the movie can be shown.**

Motion passed.

4.3 Promoting Undergraduate Teaching (E-10-03-#097) (VP Academic)

**BIRT $200, from the Exec-Commissioner Pool, be allocated for the Panel Discussion on Promoting Undergraduate Teaching.**

Motion passed.

5. Discussion

5.1 Meeting with the Provost
Discussion ensued.

5.2 Potential Projects List from the CMA
Discussion ensued.

5.3 Mat/Pat Project
Discussion ensued.

5.4 Events Promotion and Marketing
Discussion ensued.

Adjournment
18h03
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Call to Order
20h04

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Referendum question for the CFS referendum (E-10-03-#098) (President)

WHEREAS the ROC agreed that the referendum question should be the question that is in the bylaws of the CFS,

BIRT that the referendum question for the CFS referendum, as per the rules passed at March Council, be changed to read:
Are you in favour of continued membership in the Canadian Federation of Students?
Êtes-vous en faveur de la continuation de l’adhésion à la Fédération canadienne des étudiantes et étudiants?

Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment
8h53, 12 March 2010
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Call to Order
19h31

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Concerning the CFS referendum (E-10-03-#099) (President)

WHEREAS PGSS Counsel and the PGSS appointees to the Referendum Oversight Committee received a letter threatening immediate legal action from CFS via Gowlings LLP (letter attached),
WHEREAS CFS ROC member Lucy Watson claims that the CFS has placed inaccurate notices of referendum claiming a two-day referendum,
AND WHEREAS Lucy Watson claims to be beginning the process of booking McGill space for the purpose of holding a "pseudo-referendum"

BIRT the President be mandated to write an open letter (to be circulated to the Executive for comment before distribution) to the members of the PGSS, to be distributed via the listserv and sent as a letter to the Daily and the Tribune,
BIFRT the letter be designed to forestall any possible confusion on the referendum that is being held, and that the letter make NOT take a position on whether to vote in favour or against the referendum question
BIFRT that the letter express the will of the PGSS to hold a referendum as per the petition received, and December and March motions of Council.
BIFRT the letter include a link to:
http://pgss.mcgill.ca/pgsscfssreferendum

Motion passed unanimously.

1.2 Concerning the CFS referendum 2 (E-10-03-#100) (President)

WHEREAS the PGSS Referendum Oversight Committee has passed slight changes to the referendum rules,
BIRT the following motions of the Referendum Oversight Committee be ratified by the Executive, acting on behalf of Council, and come into force immediately:

“There shall be no campaigning using web 2.0 tools such as Myspace, Facebook, Twitter, MSN Chat, Google Talk, ICQ or any other forms of social networking.”

BIRT the above be replaced with the following:

“There shall be only limited campaigning using web 2.0 tools such as Myspace, Facebook, Twitter, MSN Chat, Google Talk, ICQ or any other forms of social networking.”

“For the purposes of the above limited campaigning means that only those sites that have been registered with the PGSS Elections Commissioner and are monitored by the PGSS Elections Commissioner for compliance with the rules herein will be permitted. All campaigners using electronic materials must make the PGSS Elections Commissioner aware of such materials, and must include the PGSS Elections Commissioner on any electronic social networking group or contact list.”

The following is in the rules:

“The ROC may make recommendations to the Court for any action to be taken against or any penalties or other amounts to be assessed against any offending person(s). Either party may ask the court to enforce those recommendations.”

BIRT it be replaced to read as follows:

“The ROC may set appropriate penalties (consistent with the PGSS Constitution) or it may make recommendations to the Court for any action to be taken against or any penalties or other amounts to be assessed against any offending person(s). Either party may ask the court to enforce those recommendations.”

Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment
12h08, 23 March 2010
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Call to Order
18h05

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Concerning the CFS referendum (E-10-03-#101) (VP Finance)
Whereas the PGSS ROC has urgent approval requests for submitted campaign materials;
Whereas one of the PGSS ROC committee members has not been heard from for three
days, and the last that was heard from him was that he was outside of the country;
Whereas the Nominating Committee selected Daniel Simeone to be on the ROC Appeals
process, should there be one formed;
Whereas the referendum is now being run under the rules set by the PGSS Council on
March 3, 2010 and there is no Appeals Committee under such rules;
Whereas Daniel Simeone was intending to and will stay out of campaigning for or
supporting either the “yes” or “no” sides of the continuing membership referendum next
week;
BIRT Daniel Simeone be appointed as an emergency back up replacement for either
of the two other ROC members, should they become unavailable within a
reasonable time for urgent time-sensitive referendum matters.

Motion passed unanimously (The President and VP External abstained).

Adjournment
19h53, 26 March 2010
Call to Order
13h52

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Approval of E-Meeting Minutes (E-10-03-#112) (President)
WHEREAS we need to have this motions ratified by Council,
AND WHEREAS they have not yet been approved by the Executive,
BIRT the minutes for the e-meetings held with respect to the referendum be
approved by the Executive.

Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment
19h06, 31 March 2010
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ryan Hughes, VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Regrets: VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Call to Order
15h58

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Reports

No reports.

3. Approval of the Minutes

3.1 E-10-02-#29
Minutes approved.

3.2 E10-03-#30
Minutes approved.

4. New Business

4.1 CFS SAGM (E-10-04-#102) (President)
BIRT the following motion be submitted for the CFS SAGM:

WHEREAS in a referendum held March 29 to April 1, 2010, the members of the Post-Graduate Students’ Society of McGill University voted against continuing their membership in the Canadian Federation of Students; therefore

Be it resolved that the membership of the Post-Graduate Students' Society of McGill University be terminated, effective April 1, 2010.
Motion passed unanimously.

4.2 GG13 - delegation and expenses (E-10-04-#103) (President)
BIRT the PGSS delegation to GG13 be Ryan Hughes, Natalie Lee, and Daniel Simeone;
BIRT up to $600 be allocated for expenses related to GG13 from the Executive Pool.

Motion passed unanimously.

4.3 SAGM - delegation and expenses (E-10-04-#104) (President)
BIRT the PGSS delegation to the CFS 57th Semi-Annual National General Meeting of the Canadian Federation of Services held on May 22 - 25, 2009 shall consist only of Alexandra Bishop, Ryan Hughes, Daniel Simeone and Adrian Kaats, as voting members.
BIFRT The aforementioned shall be the sole PGSS delegates to all CFS, CFS-Services, and CFS-Quebec meetings of all kinds held in Ottawa during May 22 - 25, 2009.
BIFRT up to $3000 be allocated for delegate fees and travel expenses from the VP-External budget and travel budgets.

Motion passed unanimously.

4.4 Board Appointment (E-10-04-#105) (President)
BIRT that Ryan Hughes be the PGSS member on the board of the corporation CFS-Q Inc.

Motion passed unanimously.

4.5 Welcome Ryan Hughes (E-10-04-#106) (President)
BIRT the new VP External, Ryan Hughes, be welcomed to the Executive Committee.

Motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion

Discussion ensued.

Adjournment
16h37
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ryan Hughes, VP Finance Eric Pollanen, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis,

Guests: President-Elect A. Bishop, VP Finance-Elect N. Lee

Call to Order
15h26

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Reports

Brief reports were given.

3. Approval of the Minutes

3.1 E-10-04-#34
Approval of the minutes postponed.

4. New Business

4.1 Council Appreciation Night (E-10-04-#107) (President)
BIRT that May 26th be Council Appreciation Night, and the up to $600 be allocated from the Exec Pool and $200 from the Council Awards budget item.

Motion passed.

4.2 APR Event (E-10-04-#108) (VP Finance)
BIRT up to $600 be allocated from the Executive Pool for the Post-Doctoral Researchers event held on April 14th, 2010.

Motion passed.
4.3 Budget 2010-2011 (E-10-04-#109) (VP Finance)
BIRT the PGSS Executive Committee recommend adoption of the draft budget.

Motion passed.

4.4 PGSS Events Forum (E-10-04-#110) (VP Internal)
BIRT $304.28 from the VP Internal budget be allocated for the PGSS Events Forum.

Motion passed.

4.5 Mat/Pat Open Forum (E-10-04-#111) (VP Academic)
BIRT up to $400 be allocated from the Exec Pool for an open forum Mat/Pat night.

Motion passed.

5. Discussion

5.1 Council Appreciation Awards
Discussion ensued.

5.2 Update on CFS referendum (legal)
Discussion ensued.

5.3 Update on MoA
Discussion ensued.

5.4 Learning Experiences
Discussion tabled.

5.5 Code of Conduct
Discussion ensued.

5.6 Mat/Pat
Discussion ensued.

Adjournment
16h30
POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS’ SOCIETY OF MCGILL UNIVERSITY INC.
Minutes – Executive E-Meeting
06 April 2010
E10-04-#37

Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ladan Mahabadi, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Call to Order
15h06

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Resignation of the VP-External (E-10-04-#113) (President)
BIRT the Executive accept the resignation of the VP-External, Ladan Mahabadi.
BIFRT the following motion be brought to Council from the Executive as an Emergency Motion:

"WHEREAS the VP-External Ladan Mahabadi has resigned, BIRT the Council ratify the decision of the Executive, as per Bylaw 4.3.5, to accept the resignation of Ms. Mahabadi from the position of VP-External, BIRT Council immediately go to election for the position of VP-External, with voting to occur along with commissioner elections."

BIFRT lifetime special membership to the PGSS be granted to Ms. Mahabadi in recognition of her exemplary service to the Society. BIFRT Council be informed of this by e-mail so that Council has the opportunity to solicit candidates.

Motion passed (VP External abstained).

Adjournment
15h16, 09 April 2010
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ryan Hughes, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Call to Order
11h40

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Post-doctoral Taxation (E-10-05-#114) (VP External)
WHERAS new information has come to light from CRA with respect to the current and possibly past status of post-doctoral stipends;
BIRT up to $600 be allocated from the Executive Pool for preliminary consultation with a tax lawyer with respect to the issue of post-doctoral taxation.

Motion passed.

Adjournment
11h29, 04 May 2010
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ryan Hughes, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Call to Order
11h40

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Professional Mediator (E-10-05-#115) (VP Finance)
BIRT up to $500 from the Executive pool be allocated for hiring of a professional mediator by the VP Finance for addressing interpersonal issues emerging between two members of the PGSS Executive.

Motion passed.

1.2 Ottawa Trip (E-10-05-#116) (VP Finance)
BIRT up to $2,500 from the Executive pool be allocated towards buses for PGSS members' Tulip festival excursion, organized by the VP Internal.

Motion passed.

Adjournment
7h07, 06 May 2010
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ryan Hughes, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Call to Order
7h48

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 Childcare Conference (E-10-05-#117) (VP Finance)
BIRT the VP Academic be sent as the official delegate of PGSS to attend this conference.
BIFRT up to 1000$ be allocated from the executive pool to cover the expenses of this conference.

Motion passed (President abstained).

Adjournment
10h17, 13 May 2010
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ryan Hughes, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Call to Order
7h48

1. Special Order for the Meeting

1.1 MBA Tuition Increase Pool (E-10-05-#118) (VP External)
WHEREAS the MBA tuition increase is an issue that effects the PGSS;
WHEREAS we need data to inform our position and that of our provincial representation;
WHEREAS the FEUQ will match our contribution;
BIRT the PGSS allocate $350 from the executive pool to fund an independent poll.

Motion passed (VP Finance abstained).

Adjournment
9h30, 17 May 2010
Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ryan Hughes, VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Regrets: VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie

Call to Order
14h37

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Reports

It's hot!

3. Approval of the Minutes

3.1 EMeeting-10-03-#36
Minutes approved.

3.2 EMeeting-10-04-#37
Minutes approved as amended.

3.3 E10-04-#34
Minutes approved.

3.4 E10-04-#35
Minutes approved.

3.5 EMeeting-10-05-#38
Minutes approved.

3.6 EMeeting-10-05-#39
Minutes approved.

3.7 EMeeting-10-05-#40
Minutes approved.

3.8 EMeeting-10-05-#41
Minutes approved.

4. New Business

4.1 Friend and Advocate of the Society (E-10-05-#119) (President)
BIRT Eric Maldoff be named the Friend of the Society for the year 2009-2010;
BIFRT Stephanie Law be named the Advocate of the Society for the year 2009-2010.

Motion passed unanimously.

4.2 Election Expenses (E-10-05-#120) (President)
BIRT $273.50 be allocated from the Executive Pool to reimburse J. Mooney, as per the recommendation of the Judicial Advisory Board.

Motion passed.

5. Discussion

Discussion ensued.

Adjournment
14h54
POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS’ SOCIETY OF McGINU UNIVERSITY INC.

Executive E-Meeting - Minutes
18 May 2010
E-10-05-#43

Present: President Daniel Simeone, VP External Ryan Hughes, VP Internal Charalampos Saitis, VP Academic Dahlia ElShafie, VP Finance Eric Pollanen

Call to Order
18h28

1. Special Order of the Meeting:

1.1 STD Test Day Amended (E-10-05-#121) (Health Commissioner)
Motion to Amend Something Previously Adopted:

BIRT that Motion ECC-10-04-#10:

"5.1 STD Test Day (ECC-10-04-#010) (Health Commissioner)
BIRT up to $200 be allocated from the Exec-Commissioner Pool for STD test day.
Motion passed."

Be amended to read $400 instead of $200.

Motion passed.

1.2 Child Care Conference (E-10-05-#122) (Family Care Commissioner)
BIRT up to $1100 be allocated from the Exec-Commissioner Pool for the Family Care Commissioner-elect to attend the conference "It Takes a University: Child Care and Post Secondary Institutions" at the University of British Columbia, May 21-22, 2010.

Motion failed.

Adjournment
12h13, 22 May 2010.