

Athabasca University Graduate Students' Association

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AUGSA Minutes

Date: September 11, 6:00pm **Place:** Web conference

Attendance:

Executive Committee: Lindsay McNena (President), Muhammad Kamran (VP Operations & Finance),

Heather DeBoer (VP External), Meaghan Sullivan (VP Academic)

Faculty of Business Representatives: Margaret Clappison, David Thomson

Faculty of Health Disciplines Representatives: Kathleen (Katie) Bradley, Crystal (Crys) Vincent

Centre for Distance Education Representatives: Reva Bond Ramsden

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Representative: Emma Paige Johnston

Faculty of Science and Technology: Jamie Czerwinski,

Staff:

Ross Tyson (Executive Director)

Regrets: David Newman

Absent: Steve Swettenham (Centre for Distance Education Representative) Patrick Corbett, Eric Snow

(Speaker of Council)

Guests: Manjeet Birk (Executive Director, CASA)

		Presenter	ACTION	TIME
1.0	Call to Order	President	The meeting was called to order at 6:05 MST.	

2.0	Approval of Agenda	President	1) Motion 1.0: To move the agenda as distributed Moved: VPA Seconded: Clappison Carried Unanimously	
3.0	Presentation by CASA	Manjeet Birk	Manjeet Birk presented an overview on CASA as an advocacy group.	6:07 PM
4.0	Approval of Previous Minutes	President	Motion 2.0: to adopt the minutes of August 14, 2018 as distributed: Moved: VPA Seconded: Clappison No corrections to the previous minutes Carried Unanimously	6:31pm
5.0	Reports and Presentations		The executive presented their reports.	6:34 pm
	5.1 Executive Reports 5.2 Financial Report	Executive Committee VPOF		
6.0	New Business			
	6.1 Awards Committee for AU 6.2 Faculty Rep Positions to	President ED/ President	President Lindsay has asked for people to sit on the Awards committee for AU. Margaret volunteered. There is room for one more spot. Send your email to Lindsay if you are interested.	7:03 pm
7.0	Fill Old Business	VPA VPA	Motion 3.0 : To add David Newman to the awards committee. Mary-Anne, Clappison	

		Carried Unanimously	
Other Business			
8.1 Awards Committee	VPA	Meaghan gave a brief overview of the awards policy. Ross sent it out to all for review. We will discuss this at our next meeting.	
8.2 Engagement Committee	VPEx	Mary-Anne proposed a change in our email structure so that the email carries over to successive years. All faculty reps would share a single box. There would also be additional emails for each person. Margaret worried that a single box would not allow for accountability. Crys suggested that the reps would work more as a team. Margaret suggested separate emails with Faculty Rep 1, etc. Mary-Anne responded with an example of one that works with her union position. Meaghan agreed with Crys that the teamwork would rise. Heather argued that we could use their personal emails for contracts etc. Margaret worried about sanctions for failing to follow rules. Heather disagreed. Internal controls are stronger with multiple people on one account. Meaghan agreed that some of the communications are at risk but low risk. We could also have personal AUGSA emails like we do now. Ross agreed that we would only have five more accounts. Have we talked about a time frame. Suggestion to start this new email system on January 1. Motion 4.0 :To start a trial email system including a faculty email for each faculty with access by all faculty reps in that faculty. The timeframe is to begin October 1. Motion:	
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		Amendment: Be it resolved that AUGSA add a shared, dedicated email account for each faculty, to be shared by all of the faculty representatives for that faculty to the current system. Moved by Margaret Clappison, Seconded by Jamie Czerwinski Carried Unanimously Amended motion moved by Mary-Anne Parker, Jamie Czerwinski. Carried Unanimously	
9.0	Adjournment	Motion 3.0: It was moved that that meeting was to be adjourned Moved: Jamie Seconded: Margaret Carried Unanimously The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 MST	7:50 pm

Lindsay McNena, President	
Ross Tyson, Executive Director	
Date of Approval	