

AUGSA Council Meeting Minutes - AGM

June 14th, 2022 – 6:00pm MST

Microsoft Teams

Attendance

Executive Committee: Chris Edwards (President), Dana Montgomery (VP External), Sarah Reid (VP Academic), Dennis Delgado (VP Operations & Finance)

Faculty of Business Representatives: Ian Chitwood, Gordon Chandler

Faculty of Health Disciplines Representatives: Jillian Nickel, Sabrina Martin, Charlie Salter, Sarah Atkinson, Kelly DeCoste

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Representative: Heather McGilvary, Angelo Delli Santi,

Faculty of Science and Technology: Russell Rupok, Rayees Khan

General Members: Kareena Hart, Jason Kauenhofen, Joanna Low, Heather Medaglia, Brittany Martin, Anahita Madadi Noee

Staff: Meaghan Sullivan (Executive Director)

Regrets: Margaret Clappison, Kangendra Bhandari

		PRESENTER	ACTION
1.0	Call to Order	President	The meeting was called to order at 6:06 pm MT.
2.0	Approval of Agenda	President	Motion 2.0 To approve the agenda as presented. Moved: Jillian Nickle Seconded: Jason Kauenhofen Motion carried without opposition.
3.0	Approval of Previous Minutes	President	Motion 3.0 To approve the minutes of May 10, 2022 as presented. Moved: Kelly DeCoste Seconded: Angelo Delli-Santi Motion carried without opposition. Motion 3.0 To approve the minutes of the 2021 AGM (June 15, 2021) as presented.



			Moved: Sabrina Martin Seconded: Kareena Hart Motion carried without opposition.
4.0	Approval of Bylaws	VP Operations & Finance	Motion 4.0: To approve the ammendments to the Bylaws as presented. Moved: Jason Kauenhofen Seconded: Sabrina Martin Motion carried without opposition.
5.0	Reports and Presentations		
	5.1 President		Chris Edwards gave an update noting that he recently attended a Board of Governors meeting. He was impressed at the focus of students being at the center of the definition of success.
	5.2 VP External		Dana Montgomery gave an update regarding onboarding to abGPAC, which includes Athabasca University, University of Calgary, University of Alberta and Concordia University of Edmonton. abGPAC focuses on lobbying to the Alberta Government and will be coordinating its strategic objectives next month. Additionally, Dana Montgomoery is chairing the Engagement Committee to facilitate strategic outreach to graduate students at AU.
	5.3 VP Academic		Sarah Reid attended the welcoming of the new President of AU, Dr. Peter Scott. Sarah Reid is chair of the Awards Committee. Since appointment if the committee last month, the Awards Committee has completed their training sessions and will be reviewing bursaries and awards shortly after the June 15th deadline.
	5.4 VP Operations & Finance		Dennis Delgado attended the Executive Committee transition and has been approving



			<p>invoices and expenses for AUGSA. He has also reviewed the monthly financial statements and audited annual financial statements.</p> <p>Dennis has been involved in a number of initiatives including the Graduate Student Research Conference (GSRC) steering committee meeting and the Frontline Learner Services Transformation (FLST) meeting.</p>
6.0	Financial Reports		The monthly financial reports were presented.
7.0	Approval of the Financial Statements		<p>Motion 7.0: To approve the audited financial statements for 2021 as presented. Moved: Gordon Chandler Seconded: Rayees Khan Motion carried without opposition.</p>
8.0	Approval of Audit Contract		<p>Motion 8.0: To approve JR & Company for 2022 as recommended. Moved: Jillian Nickle Seconded: Kelly DeCoste Motion carried without opposition.</p>
9.0	Committee Updates		No further updates at this time.
10.0	Upcoming Events		Dana Montgomery share the engagement schedule for graduate students, beginning with the Grad Lounge in October, news articles in November, Trivia Night in December, and further events planned throughout the remainder of the term.
11.0	Old Business		
12.0	New Business		
13.0	Other Business		<p>Motion 7.0: To approve the quote from Invert720 for the 2022 Graduate Student Research Conference. Moved: Ian Chitwood</p>



			<p>Seconded: Jason Kauenhofen Motion carried without opposition.</p>
14.0	General Discussion		<p>Prior to adjourning, Chris Edwards opened the group for discussion as an opportunity to provide feedback. The group discussed social opportunities, volunteer opportunities with AUGSA and AU, and had a general discussion on how to raise more awareness of AUGSA across the graduate student population, including marketing and communication tools such as the newsletter, website, and social media channels.</p>
15.0	Adjournment		<p>Motion 11.0: To adjourn the meeting at 6:54 pm. Moved: Charlie Salter Seconded: Jason Kauenhofen Motion carried without opposition.</p>

Chris Edwards, President

Meaghan Sullivan, Executive Director

Date of Approval

