

## **Athabasca University Graduate Students' Association**

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**AUGSA** Minutes

Date: October 9, 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, David Newman

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, Patrick Corbett

Staff:

Ross Tyson (Executive Director), Eric Snow (Speaker of Council)

**Regrets:** 

**Absent:** Steve Swettenham (Centre for Distance Education Representative)

**Guests:** Faye Gosnell (AU Mental Health Coordinator)

		Presenter	ACTION	TIME
1.0	Call to Order	President	The meeting was called to order at 6:02 MST.	

			Moved: Clappison	
			Seconded: Czerwinski	
			Carried Unanimously	
3.0	Presentation by AU Mental Health Coordinator	Faye Gosnell	Faye Gosnell presented an overview on the Mental Health plan for AU: One of the big announcements is the Mental Health program being offered by Homewood Health. This service starts on November 1.	6:07 PM
4.0	Candidates for Faculty of Mental Health Disciplines Representative	Veronica Evtushevski, Tasha Keri,	The four candidates for Faculty Rep presented short statements for Council.	
	Representative	Juanita  Marshall, and  Debby Yee	Subsequently a vote was taken for their positions on Council with the following results:	
			Faculty of Health Disciplines	
			Juanita Marshall- 6 votes	
			Tasha Keri- 4 votes	
			The winner is Juanita Marshall	
			Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences	
			Veronica Evtushevski- 4 votes	
			Deborah Yee- 6 votes	
			Deborah Yee is the winner.	
			Motion 5.0: To appoint Debbie Yee (Humanities and Social Sciences)and Juanita Marshall (Health Disciplines) to Council.  Moved by: Margaret Clappison	

			Seconded by: Patrick Corbett	
			Carried Unanimously	
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5.0	Approval of Previous Minutes	President	Motion 2.0: to approve the minutes of September 11, 2018 as distributed:	6:31pm
			Moved: VPEx	
			Seconded: Corbett	
			Carried Unanimously	
6.0	Reports and Presentations			6:34 pm
	6.1 Executive Reports	Executive Committee	Reports were presented as distributed.	
	6.2 Financial Report	VPOF	Muhammad presented his financial reports as distributed.	
7.0	New Business			
	7.1 Awards Committee Update	President	Meaghan Sullivan presented the awards committee proposed policy.  Motion 7.0: To approve the Awards Policy as distributed.  Mover: VPEx Seconder: Katie Bradley Approved with one dissention.	7:03 pm
	7.2 Engagement Committee Update	VPEx	Heather DeBoer reported that we have two short presentations from committee members. Mary-Anne Parker talked about a shared email between Faculty Reps. We will need to review our emails prior to jumping into a conversation. All replies are using your actual name. When you first come in check the sent folder to discover where you are at on a conversation. Check your emails once per week. Also move conversations into folders for easy access. Communicate absences , etc with your team mates.	

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			Patrick Corbett talked about introducing ourselves to our faculty. Ross will send out the draft introductory letter.	
	7.3 Update on Graduate Research Conference	ED	Our conference is ready to go.	
8.0	Old Business			
9.0	Other Business		Thank you to Eric Snow who has been our speaker over the last six years.	
10.0	Adjournment		Motion 4.0: It was moved that that meeting be adjourned	7:50 pm
			Moved: VPA Seconded: Margaret Clappison	
			Carried Unanimously	
			The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 MST	

Lindsay McN	lena, President
Ross Tyson,	Executive Director
Date of App	roval