



**Athabasca University Graduate Students'
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AUGSA Minutes

November 14, 2017, 6:00pm

Web conference

Attendance:

Jamie Czerwinski, President

Lindsay McNena, Vice President External

Margaret Clappison, VP Operations & Finance

Ross Tyson, Executive Director

Mira Singh, VP Academic

Shawn Ang, Faculty of Business Representative

David Newman, Faculty of Business Representative

Vanessa Colettas, Faculty of Business Representative

Christopher Rudan, Faculty of Health Disciplines Representative

Max Jajszczok, Faculty of Health Disciplines Representative

Melanie Fuller, Faculty of Health Disciplines Representative

Bob Cole, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences Representative

Robert Janzen, Faculty of Science & Technology Representative

Eric Snow, Speaker of Council

Absent:

Reva Ramsden, Centre for Distance Education Representative

Steve Swettenham, Faculty of Business

Regrets:

Patrick Corbett, Faculty of Science & Technology Representative

Shelby Guidi, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences Representative

Emma Johnston, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences Representative

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| 1.0 | Call to Order | The meeting was called to order at 6:05 MST. |
| 2.0 | Approval of Agenda | <p>1) Motion 2.0: To approve the agenda as distributed. (VPA, Janzen)</p> <p>Carried Unanimously</p> |
| 3.0 | Approval of Previous Minutes | <p>1) Motion 3.0: To approve the minutes of October 10, 2017 as distributed. (President, Cole)</p> <p>Carried Unanimously</p> |
| 4.0 | Reports and Presentations | |
| | 4.1 Executive Reports | <p>Executive Committee presented their reports as distributed.</p> <p>Highlights:</p> <p>VPA: Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences and AUGSA re: change of name from Master of Arts Integrated Studies (MAIS) Program to Master of Arts Interdisciplinary Studies to increase recognition within and outside AU. (\$60 to change parchment)</p> <p>Need a replacement person: Ad Hoc Course and Program Review: Friday meetings replacement needed – Bob Cole and Margaret Clappison showed interest.</p> <p>VPEX: CASA’s budget submission was sent out. Please send questions on that to Lindsay.</p> |
| | 4.2 Financial Report | VPOF: Went over reports ad distributed. |
| | 4.3 2018 Draft Budget | <p>VPOF presented the budget as distributed.</p> <p>Shawn Ang asked how engagement committee recommendations were showing up in budget. Both advertising and website development are increased.</p> |

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| | | A complete final version will come out for December meeting. Margaret invited Council members to give ideas and feedback. |
| | 4.4 OGSA Update | President Jamie explained that OGSA (Ontario Graduate Student Alliance) will be closing its doors immediately and will be dissolved. The two largest members have initiated departure processes. Also the Executive Director has left the Association. |
| | 4.5 Tuition Payment Options Advocacy Plan Update | President Jamie reported that we have sent the survey out regarding this issue. We will bring the responses to the December meeting. |
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| 5.0 | New Business | There was no new business. |
| 6.0 | Old Business | There is no old business. |
| 7.0 | Other Business | |
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| 8.0 | Adjournment | Motion to adjourn (Janzen, Fuller) Carried Unanimously Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm. |

 Jamie Czerwinski, President

 Ross Tyson, Executive Director

 Date of Approval