PGSS

POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS' SOCIETY OF McGILL UNIVERSITY INC.
Minutes – Executive Meeting
Thomson House 403
29 October 2010 – 19h00
E-10-10-#15

Present: President Alexandra Bishop**, VP External** Ryan Hughes, **VP Internal** Magnus Bein, **VP Academic** Roland Nassim, **VP Finance** Natalie Lee

Call to Order
19h18

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Announcements

No announcements.

3. Approval of the Minutes

3.1 E-10-10-#14
Approval of the minutes postponed.

4. New Business

4.1 Executive Retreat (E-10-10-#037) (President)
Whereas it is necessary for the Executive to understand each other in order to function well as a team;
BIRT the Executive enter into a committee-of-the-whole for 10 minutes and decide upon a manner of retreat and determine the date that falls within the next 31 days to fulfill that activity.

Motion passed. The date for the retreat will be Nov. 27th 2010.

4.2 Referendum Postponement (E-10-10-#038) (President)
Whereas there have been irregularities concerning the referendum regarding the mental health student services fee;

BIRT the Executive postpone the referendum and that all parties concerned with the referendum should consult before proceeding further.

Motion passed.

4.3 Executive Contracts and the Constitution (E-10-10-#039) (VP External)
Whereas there is a question about the legal status of Executive contracts versus the Constitution;
BIRT $500 be allocated from the Legal Fund to seek a legal opinion upon this matter.

Motion passed.

4.4 Hospitality (E-10-10-#040) (President)
Whereas a joint PGSS-SSMU meeting took place on Oct. 15th;
BIRT up to $500 be allotted from the hospitality account for the joint meeting between PGSS and SSMU;
BIFRT a second meeting be held in the winter semester.

Motion passed.

4.5 GSA Town Hall (E-10-10-#041) (President)
BIRT up to $300 each be allocated from the Executive pool and the VP internal budget for the GSA town hall event on Nov 26th.

Motion passed.

4.6 Non-Fee levy GSA Seed Fund (E-10-10-#042) (President)
Whereas the GSA fee levy model is undergoing changes this year;
Whereas newly formed GSA are prevented from levying fees for this year;
Whereas the PGSS supports the formation of recognized GSAs and wants to encouraged more active GSAs;
BIRT $2,000 be allotted from the Executive pool for the purpose of offering funding to newly formed and recognized GSAs.

Motion passed.

4.7 Halloween Fund Donation (E-10-10-#043) (VP Internal)
BIRT the proceeds from the PGSS Halloween party be donated to Centreaide.

Motion passed.

5. Discussion

5.1 Executive Retreat
Discussion ensued.

5.2 Halloween Party, Charity Selection
Discussion ensued.

5.3 VP Internal Events Update
Discussion ensued.

5.4 VP Internal Absence
Discussion ensued.

5.5 Creation of an Absence Policy
Discussion ensued.

5.6 Creation of Promotions and Multimedia Assistant
Discussion ensued.

5.7 Suggestions for December and January Events
Discussion ensued.

5.8 QPIRG and Interdisciplinary research symposium
Discussion ensued.

Adjournment
20h58