

AGSU Executive Meeting Minutes
Monday September 24, 2012
AP318, Time: 4:30 pm

Called the meeting to order: 4:30

Vote to pass the agenda – Matthew Pettit, Guy Duke (seconded)

Members Present: Emma Yasui, Steven Dorland, Louise Robert, Matthew Pettit, Nadine Hare, Kate Rice, Mathew Gagne, Rastko Cvekic, Hamna Anwar, Lara McFadden, Nicole McFadyen, Guy Duke, Sandy Oh, Rachel Kulick, Bess Doyle, Michelle Cameron, Catherine Merritt

1. Introduction

- Review Exec positions: 2011-12 reports for new members and Exec contact list

2. Computer and Communications

- Lara talk to Matt about website
- Updates: student and exec profiles (send email to remind students), upload documents (professionalization info and T-space slide show)
- Transfer printing funds from Matt to Nicole
- Recent purchases for computer room
- Photocopier – consider taking over contract of old faculty copier when they get new one, suggestion of individual pin codes for those who pay into printing fund

3. Social Coordinator

- Past events: Fall wine and cheese, mentorship event
- Upcoming events: pub nights and coffee breaks – facebook posts for monthly pub night (last Thursdays), contact UTM and UTSC for arranging coffee breaks, start to think about dates for events

4. GSU Reps

- Head grant will be submitted and hear back in October
- Meetings or updates? GSU council in the evening (Sept 24th), both reps will be present
- GSU conference grant – other sources of funding required, for larger events that are open to other universities
- Grad student planners are currently being collected from departments with leftovers for those who did not receive one, should be in GSU office

5. Vis-à-Vis

- Early views of edited and reviewed articles soon, will be collected to release
- Call for those interested in being reviewers or submitted articles

6. Medusa Coordinators

- Plans for organizing presentations this year? Meeting with coordinators from last year, thoughts on themed conferences to combine sub-disciplines
- Thoughts on schedule? Suggestion that Medusa be more structured/planned in advance, more regular and consistent. Possibly coordinate with monthly pub night

7. CUPE Representatives

- Updates or info? Voting in an International Steward on Wednesday
- Group grievance from last fall ongoing

8. Treasurer

- Switch accounts over from Guy to Nicole
- Deposit computer money and remaining AGSU fees
- Update financial records after wine and cheese

9. Other Business

- Discussion with Banning: idea of allotted time/day for talks, workshops, etc. Push for integration of disciplines in anthropology
- Professionalization workshops – job talks for upper year students, proposal sessions for new students. Make sure all sub-disciplines know they are welcome, past issues with miscommunication and attendance. Open to ideas for other workshops
- Hiring Committee search for Grad member – 3 hires (2 UTSC and 1 STG), call for those interested in applying for position, vote if needed
- For Policy meeting – list of proposed workshops to aid in cohort building and student development in PhD program
- Virtual vote and quorum changes – make it possible to vote online, need to revise what counts as quorum
- Any new business?

Meeting Adjourned at 5:22 pm