

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting:	15th GSA Council Meeting		
Date of Meeting:	January 8, 2018	Time:	1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Minutes Prepared By:	GSA Secretary	Location:	GSA Office Guild Hall

1. Meeting Objective

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2. Attendees

Council Members: Ranbir Bali, (President), Caesar Clemente (VP for External and Internal), Samip Dhakal (Representative), Vera Nwaka (VP finance) Erin Archer (Representative)

3. Agenda and Notes, Decisions, Issues

Topic	Discussion																																				
Meeting Protocols	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The last meeting was approved by the council. 																																				
Winter Orientation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The President stated that there is not much change in the current orientation as we already have a template. The GSA still have giveaways and the expected students would be less. - The following was the suggested program for the orientation. <div style="background-color: #f9f9f9; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Program</u></p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">MORNING SESSION END AT 12:00</td> <td style="width: 40%;">Emcee Mr. Samip Dhakal</td> </tr> <tr> <td>12:00-12:30 LUNCH AT TEGLER</td> <td>PROGRAM PART TWO</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>LOCATION: HA 019</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Emcee Ms. Vera Nwaka</td> <td>Program Orientation for MISSM/MISAM</td> </tr> <tr> <td>PROGRAM PART ONE</td> <td>2:00 pm - 2:05 pm - Opening Speech by MISSM/MISAM president</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LOCATION: HA 015</td> <td>2:05 pm - 2:35 pm - Speech from Department Chair</td> </tr> <tr> <td>GSA General Orientation</td> <td>2:35 pm - 2:45 pm - Speech MISSM/MISAM President</td> </tr> <tr> <td>12:30 pm -12:45 pm- Dean Colin Introductory Speech</td> <td>2:45 pm -2:50 pm - Speech from a MISSM/MISAM Alumni (to be confirmed)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>12:45 pm -12:55 pm - Introduction to GSA by the President</td> <td>2:50 pm - 3:00 pm - QA and closing note</td> </tr> <tr> <td>12:55 pm-1:05 pm - Introduction of the GSA officers</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>1:05 pm -1:35 pm - Games- (Ranbir)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>1:35 pm -2:00 pm- Hot Chocolate and Cookies / Open forum</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>GSA Council</u></p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 40%;">President</td> <td style="width: 60%;">Ranbir Bali</td> </tr> <tr> <td>VP Internal and External</td> <td>Caesar Clemente</td> </tr> <tr> <td>VP Finance</td> <td>Vera Nwaka</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Psychology Rep</td> <td>Ashleigh Massey</td> </tr> <tr> <td>MISSM/MISAM Rep</td> <td>Samip Dhakal</td> </tr> <tr> <td>MABCS Rep</td> <td>Erin Archer</td> </tr> </table> </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The council decided to forgo of the usual sweets to be served in the afternoon session. The council instead opted to just order food from Aramark. Details of the menu will be communicated in the email. 	MORNING SESSION END AT 12:00	Emcee Mr. Samip Dhakal	12:00-12:30 LUNCH AT TEGLER	PROGRAM PART TWO		LOCATION: HA 019	Emcee Ms. Vera Nwaka	Program Orientation for MISSM/MISAM	PROGRAM PART ONE	2:00 pm - 2:05 pm - Opening Speech by MISSM/MISAM president	LOCATION: HA 015	2:05 pm - 2:35 pm - Speech from Department Chair	GSA General Orientation	2:35 pm - 2:45 pm - Speech MISSM/MISAM President	12:30 pm -12:45 pm- Dean Colin Introductory Speech	2:45 pm -2:50 pm - Speech from a MISSM/MISAM Alumni (to be confirmed)	12:45 pm -12:55 pm - Introduction to GSA by the President	2:50 pm - 3:00 pm - QA and closing note	12:55 pm-1:05 pm - Introduction of the GSA officers		1:05 pm -1:35 pm - Games- (Ranbir)		1:35 pm -2:00 pm- Hot Chocolate and Cookies / Open forum		President	Ranbir Bali	VP Internal and External	Caesar Clemente	VP Finance	Vera Nwaka	Psychology Rep	Ashleigh Massey	MISSM/MISAM Rep	Samip Dhakal	MABCS Rep	Erin Archer
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<p>Scholarship</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The president stated that the GSA scholarship was already approved with the following stipulations. The president emphasized that these stipulations were based on the previous discussion by the council. <p>CUE Graduate Student Association Award</p> <p>Value of Award:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1,000 award for students enrolled in a degree program • \$750 award for students enrolled in a diploma program • \$500 award for students enrolled in a certificate program <p>Number of Awards: One</p> <p>Donor: Concordia University of Edmonton Graduate Students Association</p> <p>Eligibility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be enrolled in a degree program, diploma program or a certificate program at the graduate level • Must be registered full-time (minimum 60% of a full course load at the time of application) • Must have completed one semester at time of application • Must present a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.3 • Demonstrates character and resourcefulness through participation in extracurricular activities and/or community involvement <p>Applications will be accepted once per calendar year with the deadline being February 1st. Most graduate programs have a fall and winter intake but graduate certificate program students who start their program in January and complete their program by December of the same calendar year may not be eligible to apply for the award.</p> <p>Value of award: \$500 Number of Awards: Two</p> <p>Two \$500 awards to students enrolled in a degree program, diploma program or a certificate program at the graduate level. Recipients must be registered in a minimum 60% of a full-course load, have achieved satisfactory academic standing for their program and demonstrate financial need. The recipient must not be receiving financial support from their employer or sponsorship to undertake their program of study.</p>
<p>Other Issues</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - - The president reminded the group that the scheduled meet and greet program will be on January 23, 2018. He invited also the faculty members to attend. The plan was already included in the budget. Food for the event will be from Aramark.

4. Action Items

1	All officers	Orientation	January 10	Whole Day
	Meet and Greet	Ranbir	January 23	12-1