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## Council Meeting Minutes

**Date:** February 15, 2012

**Place:** Web conference

**Time:** 6:00pm MST

**Attendance:** Amanda Nielsen, President  
Greta Kirstein, VP External  
Adam Chisholm, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences (FHSS) Rep  
Moiz Bhamani, Faculty of Business Rep  
Wilson Ho, Faculty of Business Rep  
Ric Wheeler, Faculty of Business Rep  
Meg Andronowska, Faculty of Health Disciplines Rep  
Steve Harris, Faculty of Science and Technology Rep  
Sarah Gauvreau, Centre for Distance Education Rep  
Lorna Howieson, Speaker of Council  
Adam Snider, Coordinator

**Absent:** Eric Lavoie, Faculty of Health Disciplines Rep  
Jade Clarke, Centre for Distance Education Rep  
Nathaniel Ostashewski, VP Operations & Finance  
Rob Janzen, VP Academic

**Regrets:** Margot Van Sluytman, FHSS Rep

INDEX	MINUTES	ACTION
1.0 – Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 6:07pm MST.	
2.0 – Approval of Agenda	<b>MOTION: To approve the agenda as presented.</b> (Kirstein / Bhamani) Unanimously carried.	
3.0 – Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes	<b>MOTION: To approve the previous meeting's minutes as presented.</b> (Chisholm / Kirstein) Unanimously carried.	

<b>4.0 – Reports</b>		
<b>4.1 – Executive Reports</b>	Executive reports were presented. Because the VP Academic was absent, his report was not presented.	
<b>4.2 – Financial Report &amp; Audit Update</b>	VPOF was absent and so this report was not presented.	
<b>5.0 – New Business</b>		
<b>5.1 – Graduate Student Research Fund Committee</b>	<b>MOTION: That the AUGSA Vice President Academic be appointed to the Graduate Student Research Fund (GSRF) Committee on behalf of the AUGSA.</b> (Nielsen / Gauvreau). Unanimously carried.	
<b>5.2 – Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Dean Search Committee</b>	<b>MOTION: That the AUGSA appoint the VP External to the selection committee for the Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.</b> (Chisholm / Andronowska) Unanimously carried.	
<b>5.3 – Elections &amp; Referenda Committee Composition</b>	<b>MOTION: That the GSA Bylaws be amended so that the Elections and Referenda Committee composition includes point: “d) Other individuals may be appointed to this Committee with Council approval”.</b> (Nielsen / Harris) Unanimously carried.  <b>MOTION: That the GSA Council ratify the CRO’s appointment of Todd Somerville, Candace Brown, and Meaghan Pykerman to the Election and Referenda Committee.</b> (Nielsen / Chisholm) Unanimously carried.	
<b>5.4 – Halifax Meet &amp; Greet</b>	<b>MOTION: That the GSA spend up to \$2,500 to host a Meet and Greet in Halifax, Nova Scotia in March.</b> (Nielsen / Harris) Unanimously carried.	
<b>6.0 – Other Business</b>		
<b>6.1 – Executive Election Forum</b>	Council representatives were asked to inform their constituents about the Executive Election Forum.	
<b>7.0 – Adjournment</b>	<b>MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned.</b> (Gauvreau / Wheeler) Unanimously carried.  Meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.	

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Amanda Nielsen, President

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Adam Snider, Coordinator

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Date of Approval