

## January EGSS Meeting Minutes

**Date:** January 16th, 2018

**Time:** 11AM - 12 PM

**Location:** Graduate Student Lounge

**Present:** Britney Lester, Jenna-Leigh Di Nardo,, Lauren Curtas, Clarissa de Leon, Rebecca Stroud Stasel, Cory Piedalue, Kaitlind Peters, Michael Aquino, Julie Yaqi Hao, JJ Bosica, Newsha Ziaian-Ghafari, Stephen MacGregor, Heather Braund, Eleftherios Soleas, Sawyer Hogenkamp, Suparna Roy, Kyle Robinson, Trevor Strong, Jackson Pind, Jessica Rich, Voila David,

**Not Present:**

**Minutes:**

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### 1. Approval of Agenda

- Kyle
- Michael A.

### 2. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

- Clarissa
- Kaitlind

### 3. Business Arising

- Jessica R. thanks for the volunteers for the new PROF 110 program
- TV notes
  - The TV is set up.
  - We're looking at a webcam for Skype/Zoom reasons - especially as we consider the loss of Don
  - Please don't lose the remote - it's stuck to the back of the TV

### 4. Executive Reports

#### 4.0 President and Vice-President Reports (Terry Soleas and Jackson Pind)

##### President (Terry Soleas)

- We have the new TV, it is very nice
- I wish to buy an HD WebCam to facilitate group discussions with Don among his students
- What other purchases should we make to beautify and improve the graduate lounge.
- Monitors missing- I'm willing to let it slide, but I only have one extra monitor to bring in. - we also have lock cables for locking computers/monitors to desks

- Discussion about John's effects from his office.
- The side desk in the lounge hallway- is covered in printers and of no use to anyone- I plan to clean it out and make it a stationary and dissertation repository- I welcome any other ideas that folks might have. There is an e-waste program through Queen's - we'll contact Josh Vine to remove this.

**RBJSE Liaison- Heather Braund (Chair)**

- Proposals due on January 18th, so encourage your peers to submit.
- Will likely be looking for additional volunteers closer to the date.
- Reminder to register if you plan on attending RBJSE.

**ESMHI Liaison- Suparna Roy**

- Bell Let's Talk Event to be held on January 31st from 12pm to 2pm in the gym (see Jackson's poster - although it needs to be revised because Ted can't be the goalie for the staff/faculty net anymore)
  - Sawyer and Judy have both agreed to be goalies for the event to represent the grad students - one more grad student might be helpful
  - We need a couple of faculty or staff members to be goalies and some BEd students as well.
- On February 14th there will be a 'heart-felt' felting workshop to be given by Tiina Kukkonen - look out for more details via email! :)

Duncan McArthur Gym



# SHOOTOUT THE STIGMA



Join us on Bell Let's Talk  
Day, January 31, 2018  
to Shootout the Stigma on  
the new interim Dean of  
Graduate Studies and  
Research, Dr. Christou



\$2 per shot with proceeds going to CMHA-Kingston

## **Vice-President (Jackson Pind)**

-Election Timeline for SGPS Executive Council:

- January 8: Nomination Packages Released
- January 10: Information Sessions
- January 11: Nomination Period Begins
- January 16: Nomination Period Ends at 5 pm
- January 16: Nomination Validation

- January 18: All-Candidates Meeting
- January 22: Campaign Period Begins
- January 28: Campaign Period Ends
- January 29-30: Voting Days

For more information about JDUC redevelopment see this link : <https://myjduc.com/> , the referendum will be in February tentatively on 12-13. Tonight (January 16th) SGPS council will vote on the 2018 fee changes and I will have more to report after that meeting. There is also a town hall occurring on February 6th from 7-9pm in Wallace Hall to address student concerns about the JDUC redevelopment.

#### **4.1 Treasurer [John (JJ) Bosica]**

- Sorry I couldn't make it.
- Nothing major to report.
- If you still haven't picked up our cheques they are at my desk.
- If you are still waiting for a cheque please email me and I will write one up ASAP and let you know.

#### **4.2 Faculty Board (Kyle Robinson, PhD Rep.; Terry Soleas, President)**

- 22 applicants for PhD - 14 of these are international
- 58 applicants for the Master's - 41 international
- 2 FacultyShares, 2PM on the 18th (Derek Berg) and the 25th (Lynda Colgan)
- There is a new self-select preemptive code of conduct document for Teacher Candidates (Dispositions of the teacher- something like that).

#### **4.3 Graduate Studies and Research (Britney Lester, PhD Rep.; Michael Aquino, M.Ed Rep.)**

- Nothing to report

#### **4.4 SGPS Representative (Cory Piedalue, M.Ed Representative; Jackson Pind, Vice-President)**

- Report above (Vice President)

#### **4.5 Nominating (Sawyer Hogenkamp)**

- NTR

#### **4.6 Renewal, Tenure & Promotion (Newsha Ziaian-Ghafari)**

- Nothing to report.

#### **4.7 Strategic Planning** (Jessica Rich)

- Nothing new to report. We are awaiting the date of our next meeting. Stay tuned...

#### **4.8 Appointments** (Stephen MacGregor)

- All candidates for the multiliteracies position have given their presentations to the Faculty. Please remember to send your letters of support (or otherwise) to the Appointments Committee.
- Upcoming presentation for the Evaluation in Educational contexts position:
  - Dr. Michelle Searle: Influencing decision making: Using research on evaluation to promote learning and evaluation use (**Jan. 17, 2:00-3:15 pm**)
- Upcoming presentations for the Exceptional Learners position:
  - Mr. Ian Matheson: A Holistic Approach to Supporting Exceptional Learners (**Jan. 31, 2:00-3:15 pm**)
  - Dr. Jordan Shurr: Literacy access for students with significant disabilities (**Feb. 2, 2:00-3:15 pm**)

#### **4.9 Good & Welfare** (Julie Yaqi Hao) -

- Raised over a \$1000 for snow suits. Nothing else to report.

#### **4.10 Part-Time Student Representative** (Jenna-Leigh Di Nardo)

- Nothing to report.

#### **4.11 Co-Academic Events Coordinators** (Clarissa de Leon; Rebecca Stroud Stasel)\

- We are going to revisit the event calendar for this term and reschedule some of the events we had planned for January and February due to other events happening on campus during these months
- We are tentatively planning ScholarShare and a collab event with ESMHI in late March/early April (after RBJSE)
- If you are interested in presenting at ScholarShare, please feel free to e-mail Rebecca or Clarissa.

#### **4.12 International Student Representative** (Voila David)

- Chinese New Year is on the 16th of February (Friday) do we want to do an event on that day? Mandarin will give us free drinks (but nothing else). WE could also go to Peone Gardens (in the Kingston centre). Possibility of going to Mandarin for lunch instead?

#### **4.13 Website & Communications** (Trevor Strong)

- Nothing to report.

#### **4.14 Co-Social Events Coordinators** (Lauren Curtas and Kaitlind Peters)

- Possible paint night (Christina has supplies, etc.) as a future social events
- Question of whether it's better to do an afternoon or evening event in the winter. Consensus seems to be around an afternoon event due to weather.

#### **5. Any Other Business**

- ITS-SAC - Sawyer - Queen's is moving to VOIP, from the current old telephone service. There is the potential to integrate telephone, video conferencing, integration with personal devices, instant messaging, etc. How can we take advantage of this new functionality as education graduate students? I will distribute a survey.

#### **SPECIAL: PSAC 901 Representative**

- PSAC 901 is our union which deals with our teaching assistant, teaching fellows, and research assistant contracts.
- Queen's has reached a tentative agreement in December. There is a voting session on this agreement on the January 25th (12pm, 3 pm, 5pm) the 26th 10am and 12pm, hopefully hold at least one of those sessions on West Campus in order to secure Education students votes
- TAS and TFs are required to come to a 10 minute presentation before those dates
  - Talking about some of the highlights
  - Followed by a Q&A session
  - Absolutely necessary in order to vote
- The highlights are listed on a flyer (see appendix A)
- Event - Happy Hour - Friday from 5:00 - 7:00 PM at the graduate
- RA's should take a survey link for feedback on current negotiations  
(<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RAsurvey901>)

#### **6. Adjournment: Approval to End the Meeting**

Michael

Lauren