

EGSS Meeting Minutes

Date: October, 13, 2017

Time:

Location: Graduate Student Lounge

Present: Kyle Robinson, John (JJ) Bosica, Trevor Strong, Heather Braund, Michael T. Aquino, Eleftherios (E-Man) Soleas, Lauren Curtas, Kaitlind Peters, Voila David, Sawyer Hogenkamp, Suparna Roy, Clarissa de Leon, Jessica Rich,

Not Present: Cory Piedalue, Britney Lester, Julie Yaqi Hao, Newsha Ziaian-Ghafari, Rebecca Stroud Stasel, Stephen MacGregor, Jenna-Leigh Di Nardo,

Minutes:

1. Approval of Agenda

- Moved Kyle
- Seconded J.J.

2. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

- Moved: Kyle
- Seconded: Trevor

3. Business Arising

none

4. Executive Reports

4.0 President and Vice-President Reports (Terry Soleas and Stephen MacGregor)

President (Terry Soleas)

- Let's have a by-election- per Sawyer's guidelines
Moved: Terry, Seconded: Kyle. Passed by unanimous vote.
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- John's memorial motivation series (now featuring an adulting component)
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RBJSE Liaison- Heather Braund (Chair)

- Dates are set for March 8th and 9th, it looks like it will be a full two-day symposium
- Theme: Emerging Themes in Education
- Dr. Mark Sabbagh for Thursday at noon, Dr. Brenda Smith-Chant (Self-regulation) for Friday
- Tentative date for submissions: January 15th
- Encourage your colleagues to submit!

ESMHI Liaison- Suparna Roy

(please see Good and Welfare summary)

Vice-President (Stephen MacGregor)

4.1 Treasurer [John (JJ) Bosica]

- Balance for EGSS account at approx. \$2,470

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

- Nothing to report.

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

- Discussing revisions to master's program, and to comp 1 PhD.

4.4 SGPS Representative (Cory Piedalue, M.Ed Representative; Stephen MacGregor, Vice-President)

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4.5 Nominating (Sawyer Hogenkamp)

- Constitution amendments (see email)
- By-election to commence October 16 (therefore election day is Oct. 30)

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

- Nothing to report.

4.7 Strategic Planning (Jessica Rich)

- Nothing yet to report
- Doodle poll has gone out; waiting on our first meeting to be scheduled
- In the meantime, happy to lend a hand where I can!

4.8 Appointments (Stephen MacGregor-interim)

- [Unable to attend] Applications for the three positions are currently under review by each member of the Appointments Committee. I am restricted from reporting numbers. The next meeting of the committee is scheduled for Oct. 20, which is when we will be selecting the top applicants.

4.9 Good & Welfare (Julie Yaqi Hao) - Suparna has made these edits as Julie is now abroad collecting data

- Thank you for your help and contributions to the Alzheimer’s Coffee Break that was held on Monday October 2nd. \$872.75 was raised. Last year’s group slideshow was used.
- SOCKtober through the Queen’s School of English (message from Amie Pilgrim): NEEDED - new and near new socks for those who need them in our community...**Currently, we have a bin set up in the QSOE office (A341) collecting socks for Socktober! The socks will go to The Dobby Project which is a Kingston-created not-for-profit initiative to get socks to all local shelters and soup kitchens.**
- ESMHI held a “Teacher Appreciation Day” on October 5th (handing out apples and granola bars as well as



providing opportunities for interaction - see pictures)



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- John Freeman’s celebration of life/memorial initiatives - not sure on the details
- Alex spoke about VMA rapper “Logic” whose performance helped raise awareness about mental health - perhaps such a benefit concert here might be of help to the community and raise awareness

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

Working on John Freeman plaque/memorial, needs to talk with Bob Burge

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

Thank you to everyone who came out to our SSHRC workshop and Grad Guide!

Upcoming Academic Events

- Nov 2nd (12-3)- ScholarShare, location TBA (waiting to hear back from Hailey about VRR)
 - Presenters: Darryl C. (MEd), awaiting volunteers/nominations, room for two more presenters
- Nov 16 and 17 (all day)- Writer’s Retreat, library
 - Question: ordering food for event

4.12 International Student Representative (Voila David)

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4.13 Website & Communications (Trevor Strong)

- Nothing to report.

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

- Welcome Back Social summary
- Next big event: M.ed/PhD Fall Convocation November 16th - Celebration (reception) following the ceremony until 5:30pm
- October combined event with international student representation
- Holiday social in the works

5. Any Other Business

- RAs are electing bargaining committee for negotiating their first contract. Do we need a voice, and what is our position?
- To create PSAC representative position to be elected by by-election: Moved: terry, Seconded: Kyle, motion passed unanimously: al

6. Adjournment: Approval to End the Meeting

- Moved: Lauren
- SecondedL: Jessica