Minutes of GSA Council Meeting held on 17th February 2010 at GSA House

(9th Council Meeting, 2009-10)

Members Present:	Mahboubeh Khani	(President)
	Mohammad Faisal Uddin	(VP - Services)
	Manu Jain	(VP - Advocacy)
	Altayeb Qasem	(VP - Finance)
	Eric Chevrier	(VP - External)
	Roddy Doucet	(Director - Arts)
	Natheer Alatawneh	(Director - ENCS)
	Mathew Tziritas	(Director - Science)
	Shikui Wu	(Director - JMSB)
	Sussan Dolatshahi	(Director - JMSB)
	Peipei Shi	(Director - ENCS)
Members Absent:	Svetla Turnin Nadia Hausfather Zachary Kenny	(Director - Arts) (Director - Arts) (Director - Fine Arts)
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Agenda of the Meeting:

- 1. Call to Order
 - 1.1. Chair's remarks
 - 1.2. Approval of the Agenda
 - 1.3. Approval of Minutes
- 2. Presentation on CJLO
- 3. Appointment of CRO
 - 3.1. Candidate's presentation
 - 3.2. Discussion and voting process
- 4. Creating elections judicial committee
- 5. Creating Campaign Committee for holding GA
- 6. Report on Legal clinic and creating campaign committee for holding legal clinic fee levy referendum
- 7. Presenting financial statements of the second quarter of the fiscal year
- 8. Report of CFS
- 9. Other businesses
- 10. Adjournment

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6.00 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Agenda was unanimously approved.

3. Approval of Minutes

MOTION - Roddy - BIRT the council approves the Minutes for last council meeting. Erik seconded. All in favor. Motion PASSED.

4. CJLO

Katie, a representative from CJLO made a presentation for approving a fee levy. She informed that CJLO is a radio station which is a "Voice for Concordia Students", they offer free voicing for all student bodies. They are both student and community radio station. But now they went to be only student radio station. CJLO is building a community within Concordia. CJLO gets funding from undergrads but not from graduate students. Because of this currently graduate student cannot be a member. They need legitimacy from all the student bodies which includes graduates also. For this, CJLO is requesting a fee levy of 54 ϕ per semester from graduate students.

Altayeb asked how did CJLO reached to a value of 54 ϕ . Katie replied that 54 ϕ will be almost \$6000 which is though a very small percentage of their budget but they don't want to burden graduate students with too much fee burden.

MOTION - Mathew - BIRT the GSA accepts proposal for the CJLO fee levy. Faisal seconded. 9 in favor, 1 abstain. Motion PASSED.

5. Appointment of CRO

CRO Hiring committee comprised of Mah, Altayeb and Svetla screened through all resumes and conducted interviews. Based on the interviews two candidates were selected for presentation. Out of the two candidates only one is present as the other has an exam. So council decided to table the CRO appointment.

MOTION - Mathew - BIRT the council table the CRO appointment and have a council meeting after GA to appoint CRO. Erik second. All in favor. Motion PASSED.

6. Legal Clinic and Advocacy Centre

Manu informed that for Legal Clinic collaboration has been reached with CSU and for current year LIIC shall start from April to December. Exact amount for fee levy will be informed by CSU finance director in a meeting next week. For Advocacy Centre, such collaboration could not be reached with CSU because of issues with CSU employee union and space. So, for Advocacy Centre other options will be analyzed.

MOTION - Mathew - BIRT till next council meeting VP Advocacy brings a report for fee levy referendum for LIC. Erik seconded. All in favor. Motion PASSED.

7. Election Judicial Committee

Erik informed that Judicial Election Committee (JEC) should be an independent body supervising the CRO activities. Mah added that according to by-laws judicial committee can be from directors.

MOTION - Mah - BIRT minimum 4 members be hired for JEC by Altayeb and Erik. A report be given on meeting on 18^{th} march.

MOTION - Manu - BIRT among directors Mah, Svetla and Peipei be appointed to JEC. Faisal seconded. All in favor. Motion PASSED.

8. Campaign Committee for General Assembly

Faisal informed that no room is available for 3rd march. Other space options for conducting General Assembly were discussed.

It was agreed that all directors will be in campaign committee and everybody should try to bring max number of students possible. Roddy volunteered to head the GA Campaign Committee. It was agreed to provide snacks during GA.

9. Financial Statement and CFS

Quarterly Financial statement presentation to be tabled till council meeting

10. Report on CFS

Erik informed that we have appointed a lawyer and sent a letter to CFS for conducting defederation referendum.

11. Other Businesses

Mah presented funding proposal for Nawrooz 'Persian New Year' celebration party. GSA funded \$2500 two years ago and \$500 last year.

MOTION - Shikui - BIRT the Nawrooz funding proposal is not comprehensive and they should provide a more detailed report by next council meeting. Faisal seconded. All in favor. Motion PASSED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.