**MEETING MINUTES**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Meeting:** | General Council Meeting |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **Date of Meeting:** | 10 Dec 2019 | **Time:** |  | 12:00PM to 01:00PM | |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **Minutes Prepared By:** | GSA Secretary | **Location:** |  | AW118 | |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **1. Meeting Objective** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

GSA General Council Meeting

**2. Attendees**



Council Members: Rajat Wason (President), Sushant Sharma (VP Internal and External Affairs), Akash (VP Finance), Jasmine Kaur Gill (VP student Life)

Management: Dr Barb, Mr. Quin. Dr Edgar

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 3. Agenda and Notes, Decisions, Issues | |
| Topic | **Discussion** |
| Referendum & Resolutions | * All resolutions are signed and up-to-date saved in the google drive. |
| Finance Issues | * GSA insurances have been done and policy copies sent to management. |
| Orientation Winter 2020 | * Dr Shaun and Dr bobby will be presenting for 15 mins slot in a session. * Dr Edgar will be in the orientation as well as an interim Dean of Graduate Studies. * GSA has placed an order for the bottles as well for the orientation. * Dr Barb told the council - As of Nov 29th, 2019, 345 students have been accepted, 203 have paid registration deposit and 89 have registered. Dr barb gave this figure. * As of Dec 9 – 285 graduate students registered for winter 2020. * Dean Colin has handed some of the documents to Quin to hand it over to GSA council. |
| Other Issues | * ERO and DRO selection process – GSA council wanted to have it with an integrity and transparency. * Rajat requested Dr barb and Dr Edgar to shortlist the candidate and pick for the suitable candidate for this role during upcoming elections. * Regarding Referendum Question – Rajat suggest getting a U Pass during elections which is the important. * Dr barb told the council about food bank usage in which majority is from MISSM and MISAM. * Dr Edgar asked the council what %age of students is using public transit. * There will be a fee associated for students to pay if we get the U Pass in place for students. * The city of Edmonton needs a minimum percentage to place things in place for the U-Pass. * Dr Barb told the council that there is a subsidized price bus pass from recreation center, for further information on this – anyone can contact Amanda from administration office. * GSA will donate some money to food bank in Concordia in our next budget. * Sushant will work on the election policy to elective representatives for the upcoming elections for GSA. * Adam from Master of education is currently the program rep, for which he will stay for longer period of time for the position. * Rajat told the council that GRC can meet 7 times a year as per by laws. * There was a question that whether we should go for election to select Program Reps? * Dr Barb and Edgar agreed on conducting an election for program representative. * There will a cap for each representative for upcoming elections as in the ratio of students to program rep. * Rajat told the council about the Ab-GPAC advocacy week – Rajat attended some meetings with MLA. * GSA will Create a contract for Krishna for GSA website updating, she has some experience in web site development. * GSA will organize a meeting with her soon. * Dr Edgar asked the council to contact CUE marketing department as well before making change in GSA website in terms of look and feel. * Sarabjit is the person to conduct before signing the contract with Krishna. * GSA has designed the card to send within management to circulate it during the Christmas. * The photo booth during the Christmas – Jasmine spoke with revolution entertainment for a rental photo booth. * Jasmine spoke to digital photo booth at 125$ per hour for Christmas party. * Christmas party is at the tree amigos on 12th Dec 2019. * Coat Rack for the venue will be important to place coats during the party. * 50 tickets have been sold so far for the Christmas party. * Dr. Loreman will be attending the Christmas party with GSA. |
| Action items | * GSA will conduct a meeting with Krishna for the GSA website contract and for updated website. |