GSS Council Agenda
Thursday, December 9, 2021 | Online Meeting | 5:30 pm

ATTENDANCE

Present:

Regrets:

Absent:

Quorum: 16 Councillors

CALL TO ORDER AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting will be called to order at ___ am/pm.

AGENDA ADOPTION

BIRT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Mover: Seconder: Result:

TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

President:

INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions.

1 EXPEDIENT MATTERS

At the discretion of the President, the following are deemed urgent matters for Council and are presented at the beginning of Council (not exceeding 10mins):

1.1 GSS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2021

Group responsible: Auditor, Chartered Profession Accountants

Presentation time: 20 minutes

Presentation description: Audit report and financial overview for the financial year ended May 31st, 2021

Proposed objective: Approval of draft financial report

BIRT the financial report for 2021 be approved as presented.

Mover: Tayo Olarewaju  Seconder:  Result:

1.2 2022-2026 GSS STRATEGIC PLAN

Group Responsible: Strategic Planning Chair (Axel Hauduc)

Presentation Time: 15 minutes

Description: The Strategic Planning committee would like to formally notify Council that the process for strategic plan development has concluded, and that the new Strategic Plan is ready to be made available on the GSS website, pending a vote of approval by Council. Strategic Planning would like to go through a few highlights of the plan that we think are notable points to keep an eye on in the coming years, and also leave a few thoughts about archiving working documents created during the ad hoc committee's existence to smooth the Strategic Planning process when it begins again in a few years' time

Relevant materials: To be provided

WHEREAS the 2017-2021 GSS Strategic Plan is set to expire at the end of this calendar year, and

WHEREAS the Strategic Planning ad hoc Committee has concluded the research, development, and drafting of the 2022-2026 GSS Strategic Plan according to its mandate, and presented the plan to this Council

BIRT that Council approves the enactment of the 2022-2026 GSS Strategic Plan effective January 2022, and its publication on the GSS's website by the end of December 2021.

Mover: Axel Hauduc  Seconder:  Result:

2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1 GSS COUNCIL MINUTES

BIRT the following GSS Council minutes be approved:

- November 18, 2021

Mover:  Seconder:  Result:

2.2 COMMITTEE MINUTES

BIRT the following GSS Committee minutes be approved:
### Academic & External Committee:

**Human Resources Committee:**

**Code & Policy Committee:**

October 14, 2021  
AMS Caucus:

**Engagement & Elections Committee:**

**Graduate Council:**

**Executive Committee:**

November 11, 2021  
Health and Dental Plan Caucus:

**Executive Oversight Committee**

Strategic Planning ad-hoc Committee:

**Governance & Accountability Committee:**

Indigenous Engagement ad-hoc Committee

**House Finance Committee:**

November 02, 2021  
November 16, 2021  
All-Chairs Meeting:  
October 10, 2021  
November 12, 2021

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### SEATINGS

#### 3.1 NEW COUNCILLORS

**BIRT** the following Seating of new Councillors be approved:

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<td>Leanna Stackhouse</td>
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<td>Joern Bannies</td>
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<td>Taryn Scarff</td>
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<td>Virginia Pichler</td>
<td>Microbiology &amp; Immunology</td>
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<td>William Canero</td>
<td>Community &amp; Regional Planning</td>
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<td>Tim Branch</td>
<td>Physics &amp; Astronomy</td>
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Result:
3.2 EXTERNAL REPRESENTATIVES SEATINGS

All GSS Councillors are required by the bylaws to sit on at least one committee. Committee descriptions and meeting times can be found here.

BIRT the seating of the following external representatives be approved:

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3.3 COMMITTEE SEATINGS

All GSS Councillors shall endeavor to sit on at least one committee as per Policy 6.2.2. Committee descriptions and meeting times can be found here.

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3.4 COMMITTEE CHAIR SEATINGS

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Mover: ____________________ Seconder: ____________________ Result: ____________________

4 MATTERS FOR DECISION

4.1 AFFILIATE ORGANIZATION RECOGNITION

WHEREAS the following organizations have submitted a petition for recognition as an Affiliate Organization, BIRT the following organizations be recognized as Affiliate Organizations for one year, ending at the meeting of Council in December 2021:

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<th>Name of Affiliate Organization</th>
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<td>Sasha Gaylie</td>
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Mover: VP Students Seconder: ____________________ Result: ____________________
**4.2  FINANCIAL OFFICER POSITION**

**Group Responsible:** Aaron Loewen (CPC Chair) & Jenny Lee (G&A Chair)

**Description:** A motion to seat Tayo Olarewaju as the GSS Financial Officer.

**Time:** 10 minutes

**Objective:** To seat our previous FEOO into the GSS's currently vacant position of FO.

**WHEREAS** the successful referendum held in October and November 2021 split the position of Financial and Executive Oversight Officer into two separate positions: Executive Oversight Committee Chair and the Financial Officer (FO), and

**WHEREAS** the seat of FO is currently vacant, and

**WHEREAS** Bylaw 8.4.4 states that a new FO will be elected by Council during the next Council meeting after a vacancy in the office of the FO,

**BIRT** Tayo Olarewaju is elected into the office of the Financial Officer.

**MOVER:** Aaron Loewen  
**SECONDER:** Jenny Lee  
**RESULT:**

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**5  MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**

**5.1  REPORT ON MID-TERM EXECUTIVE GOALS**

**Group Responsible:** Executive Oversight Committee  
**Description:** Report on 2021-22 Mid-Term Executives  
**Objective:** Update on 2021-22 Mid-term Executives Goals  
**Time:** 20 minutes  
**Supporting Documents:** To be provided

**5.2  RECOGNITION AWARDS**

**Group Responsible:** Kimani Karangu (President)  
**Description:** Awarding exemplary work of selected committee chairs  
**Time:** 5 minutes

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**6  MATTERS TO NOTE**
Time reserved for questions regarding updates below.

6.1 EXECUTIVES

6.1.1 President:
- Example update on a meeting.
- Example update on an initiative.

6.1.2 Financial Officer
- (None submitted)

6.1.3 VP University & Academic Affairs
- (None submitted)

6.1.4 VP External Relations
- (None submitted)

6.1.5 VP Students
- (None submitted)

6.2 COMMITTEES

6.2.1 Academic & External Committee
- Update

6.2.2 Code & Policy Committee
- CPC has been addressing long-term projects including Conflict Resolution and Elections Policy changes.

6.2.3 Engagement & Elections Committee
- (None submitted)

6.2.4 Executive Committee
- Midterm goals review
6.2.5 Executive Oversight Committee

- (None submitted)

6.2.6 Governance & Accountability Committee

- (None submitted)

6.2.7 House Finance Committee

- Reviewed the budget actuals for Sept and Oct 2021.
- Increased the value of food vouchers given to GSS Committee meeting attendees from $10/person to $15/person
- Evaluating platforms used for accounting at GSS and upgrading it to the latest version. The current platform (ACCPAC) is over a 10-year old version and has limited functionalities.

6.2.8 Human Resources

- (None submitted)

6.2.9 Strategic Planning ad-hoc Committee

- (None submitted)

6.2.10 Indigenous Engagement ad-hoc Committee

- (None submitted)

6.2.11 AMS Caucus

- (None submitted)

6.2.12 Graduate Council Caucus

- (None submitted)

6.3 Senators and Board of Governors

6.3.1 Senators:

- (None submitted)

6.3.2 Board of Governors Representatives:

- (None submitted)
7 NOTICES

7.1 NOTICE OF NEXT MEETING

Date: January 20, 2022 at 5:30 pm

Location: Online through Microsoft Teams

7.2 NOTICE OF UNSEATINGS

- Bethany Adair was unseated as Departmental Representative from Medical Genetics
- Bethany Adair was unseated as Councillor from Academic & External Affairs Committee
- Charf Khalifa was unseated as Chair from Engagement & Elections Committee
- Nevena Rebic was unseated as Representative from Grad Council Caucus
- Nevena Rebic was unseated as Representative from Health and Dental Plan Caucus
- Nevena Rebic was unseated as Councillor from Graduate Council
- Saumadritaa Kar was unseated as Departmental Representative from Pathology and Laboratory Medicine

8 ADJOURNMENT

BIRT there being no further business the meeting be adjourned at __ pm.

Mover: Seconder: Result: