

Presents

Educational Technology :

Bakhshare Niloofar

Kavallos Haritos

Sheepy Emily

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Educational Studies :

Krasteva Tsveta

Philander Natasha

Summers Jonathan

Applied Linguistics :

Malek Agnes

PhD :

Dahl Audrey

Novacovich Jeannette

Silva Constanza

Proposed Agenda

1. Representative Updates from each Program
 1. APLI: Agnes
 2. Ed. Tech:
 3. Ed. Studies: Natasha
 4. PhD: Audrey
2. DOEIGSA Report of Activities (Natasha)
3. Budget (Jeanette)
4. Departmental Move to the Faubourg Building (FB) (Audrey)
5. General Assembly and Elections in September (Agnes)
6. Student Concerns
7. Other business

Starting at 5:10 pm

Chair, Simon Vickers, introduce himself. He requests all members to read all the moral quorum clause because we don't have quorum. Vote is called on whether the meeting was advertised enough in advance in order to approve moral quorum.

Unanimous vote to approve moral quorum.

Note: Jonathan Summers mentions problems of readability in by-laws and Agnes Malek, student representative suggests to add this concern to DOEIGSA representatives next meeting agenda.

1. **Approval of the Agenda:**

The agenda is modified. Students rose concerns and these are added to the agenda:

1. Approval of the agenda, approval of the chair, approval of the secretary
2. Representative Updates from each Program
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 - c. Ed. Studies: Natasha
 - d. PhD: Audrey
 - e. DOEIGSA Report of Activities (Natasha)
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6. Student Concerns:
 - 6.1 Phd program term limitations
 - 6.2 Diversity of course offerings and limited numbers of professor
 - 6.3 How to spend the budget
7. Other business

Approved unanimously (12 votes)

Approval of the chair (Simon Vickers)

Approved unanimously (12 votes)

Approval of secretary (Jeannette Novakovich)

Approved unanimously (12 votes)

2. **Representative Updates from each Program**

APLI: Agnes

Attended representative meetings, wasn't able to attend many program meetings due to a schedule conflict; helped with organization of DOEIGSA files online & keeping track of projects/ action items; helped with organization of holiday party, GA

Will continue to meet over summer and plan for fall GA/ elections and orientations

Ed. Tech: Stefan (Absent) Audrey report on new tenured-track professor is eager to work with students

Ed. Studies: Natasha Prof issues ---not enough. The program applied for two tenure track positions one is approved. At the university level. Should go to ED Studies, hopefully. Moving of the department to Faubourg building. Ed Studies faculty members voted against unanimously and were unified as a block.

PhD: Audrey

Meet with DOEIGSA students representatives and work on issues related to students and department; go to department council meetings and ask to vote on issues like any other members; participate in Educational Technology tenure-track selection

Ask to be part of PhD Education committee (EDC) that is currently re-designing the phd program, after some resistance from the chair your 2 students representatives are admitted in committee meetings

Advise phd students about issues related to their studies.

Plan for Summer 2014: meet a few times with DOEIGSA reps to debrief the year and in late summer to plan fall 2014 orientation

DOEIGSA Report of Activities (Natasha)

Meetings:

met usually every 2 weeks; also attended department and council meetings; also participated on the Ed. Tech tenure track committee to select a tenured professor holding one GA in April and will hold one in September

General items

we've recruited many students and had a record turnout of student attendance

share information from meetings: FB move; program changes

look into how we can support students: PhD stream changes; student space (graduate offices)

will organize orientations in September for incoming students

Finances:

researched transfer signing officers on the bank account; researched to have best account

funded several events: holiday party (Dec. 2013), Symposium (Apr. 2014), alumni event (Mar. 2014), upcoming PhD research event (May 2014)

applied for funding from GSA (received money: Feb. 2014)

3. Budget (Jeanette)

	Item		Budgeted	Spent	Left
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1	General Assemblies				
		2013 September	\$450	\$440	\$10
		2014 January	\$500	\$0	\$500
		2014 April	\$500		\$500
2	September Orientations	Ed studies orientation?			
		Ed. Tech	\$75	\$74	\$1
		APLI	\$60	\$58	\$2
3	Social Events				
		2013 Dec. Holiday Party	\$800	\$1,173	-\$373
4	Conferences				
		Graduate Symposium	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
5	Student Group Requests		\$890		\$890
		Ed studies alumni panel	\$200	?	
		PhD research and social group	\$300	to come	
6	Logo Contest		\$100	\$0	\$100
		Total Budgeted:	\$4,875	\$2,745	
		Left to Budget	-\$1,313		
		Total Amount to Budget:	\$4,162		
		2013/2014 Total Amount:	\$3,562		
		2013/2014 Students Enrolled:	274		
		Amount per Student:	\$13		
		Previous Years Leftover Amount:	\$600		

Emily Sheepy point out that DOEIGSA contribution to Symposium funding was very helpful because the Symposium organizers were able to pay deposit upfront and not rely on credit cards reimbursement procedures.

Discussion about budget clarifications.

Jonathan Summers proposes a motion to clarify the budget. Harry Kavallos seconds the motion:

Redraft the budget. Deadline: Two weeks May 7th and send to all members.

Discussion opened: Emily Sheepy wants to clarify what will be redone in the redrafted budget:

1. Education studies orientation.
2. Amount left over from previous years
3. Source of money should be clear.
4. Requested by whom? Each item.
5. Extract unspent budgeted monies

Suggestion: Look at other GSA budgets as a template.

Approved unanimously (12 votes)

Break 6:25 pm and return at 6:30 pm

4. Departmental Move to the Faubourg Building (FB) (Audrey)

Departments voted to move the DOE to the Faubourg Building. Audrey summarizes the issue and address the students' space concerns.

Emily Sheepy proposes a motion to mandate that DOEIGSA requests to manage the FRC before the next General Assembly in September and if this request if denied advocate for: 1) student consultations in the management of FRC space and resources and 2) Student association involvement in the hiring committee for the manager.

Natasha seconds the motion.

Open discussion:

New motion: Precondition to the previous motion. Friendly amendment were offered to clarify the wording of the motion.

For: 9

Against: 0

Abstention: 1

Jonathan Summers makes a motion that DOEISGA mobilize against the department's move to the Faubourg and demand that the university find a more suitable location.

Constanza Silva seconds the motion.

Discussion: why is the motion being proposed? The location is inappropriate.

Contention: qualms- work load for the student representatives. Needs to go beyond DOEISGA. Shouldn't be on the representatives to do so. If you can say more about why it's unsuitable. Issue of classroom height. Polling students?

For: 9

Against: 0

Abstention: 2

Agnes Malek puts forward a motion to set up a sub-committee headed by Natasha Philander and Jonathan Summers to mobilize against the department's move to the Faubourg. Jeannette Novakovich seconds the motion.

Jonathan Summers and Natasha Philander were nominated and agreed to be co-chair of a sub-committee

Approved unanimously (11)

5. General Assembly and Elections in September (Agnes)

Looking for new/additional representatives to meet: jobs include attending representative and departmental meetings, class visits at start of term, letting students know about any meetings and arising issues.

Jeannette Novakovich proposes to rename DOEIGSA one of the following: IDEAS InterDisciplinary Education Association of Students, EGSA Education Graduate Student Association; Students' IDEA, Students' InterDisciplinary Education Association; and CESA, Concordia Education Student Association

Seconded by ?

Discussion: Members are in favor of changing the name. Suggestions are made.

The chair remind us that this is a by-laws change that needs to be advertised in advance on next General Assembly agenda.

6. Students' concerns

6.1 Phd program term limitations.

Constanza Silva makes a motion to mandate that DOEIGSA raise the issue of the origins, accuracy, and legitimacy of the recent email to PhD students regarding PhD term limitations at the next council meeting. Seconds Natasha Philander

Approved unanimously (10 votes)

6.2 Diversity of course offerings and limited numbers of professor

Jonathan Summers proposes the motion that DOEISGA advocate the ED Studies program to make students aware of alternatives given the limited number of course options available at a council meeting.

Natasha Philander seconds the motion.

Approved unanimously (9 votes)

6.3 How to spend the budget

Discussion regarding money left over. Jeannette promotes May 7th research sharing event for all department students and faculty members. Discussions regarding the importance of students' attendance to voice concerns regarding phd program changes and Faubourg move.

7. Other business

None

Audrey Dahl motions to adjourn. Second the motion Natasha Philander (7h?)

Approved unanimously (8 votes)

[Original Minutes added to and edited by Audrey Dahl and Agnes Malek]