

Sept 9th, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Present: Matt, Sandeep, Dicho, Ari, Katie, Wes, Greg

Absent: Anil

Regrets: Jody, Reza

Call to order: 5:07pm

Motion to approve agenda - Ari

Seconded: Katie

All in favour

Greg arrived 5:08pm

Approve minutes for Aug 6th

All in favour

Approve minutes for Aug 19th

All in favour

President's Report:

Sandeep and Ari meeting with accountant Sept. 12th

UWOFA is becoming active and we need to support them.

ACTION ITEMS IN REPORT

Action Item for President:

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LMC meeting on Sept. 27th at 2pm

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Action Item for Admin Chair:

Call out for committees

Sign up for orientations:

Sept. 10 – Katie, Sandeep

Sept 11 – Greg

Sept. 12 – Ari

Townhall on health care tomorrow at 5:30 at the Goodwill on Horton.

Motion to go in camera for 5:18pm

All in favour

Motion to go out of camera for 5:27pm

All in favour

Administration Chair Report:

Action Item: to know the updated finances for FAC

Motion in report by admin chair

Seconder: Greg

Discussion

Friendly amendment that “we provide BGRF conference with a \$150 cheque”

All in favour

Chief Stewards’ Reports:

Social Sciences Report:

See report

Group grievance for funding clawbacks. Check funding packages.

Arts and Humanities Report:

See report

Biological Sciences Chief Report:

See report

Physical science Chief Report:

See report

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

Motion to adjourn – Katie

Seconder – Greg

All in favour

Motions:

Motion to provide \$150 to the graduate student conference BGRF (biology graduate research forum) from the budget line to support graduate conferences – moved by admin chair

Whereas this conference is a great opportunity to reach our members in biology;

Whereas there have been many new members into the department this year to promote the union;

Whereas this conference promotes graduate students at western and promotes their research;

Whereas this conference is where I first heard of and got involved with the union;

BIRT we provide graduate student run conference with a \$150 cheque to support student initiatives.

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Post-Doc Chair:

Email SGPS about a time for the September 16 orientation

Collective Bargaining Training. Tentatively scheduled for September 28. Otherwise October 5. We will open this up to the membership and it would be good for the executive to be trained as well.

Communication Chair:

Scholarships need to be finished ASAP.

Start working on new signage. We need signs in the halls that include Post-Docs.

We need a new banner in time for bargaining that has TAs and Post-Docs on it.

Bio Chief Steward:

LMC on September 27. Are you still able to make it?