

**Procès verbal de l'assemblée mensuelle de l'AÉDH
Minutes of the HGSA Monthly Meeting**

**Jeudi 1 octobre 2009
Thursday September 3, 2009
Grad Loft
11h30 / 11:30am**

Présents / In attendance: Julie Léger (VP interne), Kristi Gourlay, Alex Souchen, Amy Gill, Cédric Brosseau, Josh Willms, Alex Camiré, Takuya, Shawn, Patrick Fournier, Mira Goldberg-Poch

1. Bienvenue / Welcome

2. Appel à l'ordre / Call to Order –

Julie called the meeting to order at 11:45 am

3. Adoption de l'ordre du jour / Adoption of the Agenda

Adopted by Cédric & Alex at 11:45 with the following changes :

4. Adoption du procès verbal / Adoption of the Minutes

The minutes for the August meeting were adopted by Cédric and Josh without any changes.

5. Affaires Anciennes/Old Business

- a) Space campaign: Tanya will talk about it next meeting.
- b) Colloques mensuels: (café alternatif + Women's history panel) skipped till Tyler comes;
- c) Activités :
 - bowling: scheduled for October 2nd 9pm MacArthur lanes;
 - autres: hockey pool (Josh updates) 150\$ raised so far, submission deadline extended until October 1st or 2nd? Also tickets offered for Sens game in December, great response from everybody. Contact Julie if interested. Possibility of going to the Leafs game in the winter. Alex should get his own tickets if he wants to go see Pittsburgh.
- d) Cours bilingue/Bilingual course (réponse de M. Bonin): Nothing yet, Tanya sent another email, waiting for answer.
- e) Profil des étudiants sur le site web: nothing done, re-ask Emilie; otherwise, Julie will try to do it as we can't get the list from GSAÉD. Amy asks why it is

so long every year to get this information; Suzanne can't hand out this information because of privacy issues. Julie will contact Serge Dupuis to find out where the list is on the GSAÉD website. (All that unless Émilie does it). Julie will ask Suzanne for a list of just the names, or just write all the names on the boxes in the department to create a list, which would be quicker. Julie will do it next week.

- f) Vente de livres :
 - auction – date :
 - schedule for booksale : volunteers: Cedric Thursday AM; Mira Friday morning; Shawn Thursday PM; Patrick Friday afternoon; Julie Mon-Wed.

6. Affaires Nouvelles /New Business

- a) Strata proposal for funds: Julie reads Strata statement. First, publish meritorious papers from our student, next year articles from other universities; requires financial support from GSAÉD, FÉSP. Strata is asking HGSA for 300\$, see budget when received. Vote on funds allowance. Not sure how much money is in the account so we cannot vote on it - postpone it to the next meeting.
- b) Message from Tanya to new/current executive: would like the exec to have a team meeting when she'll give speech; discuss text on the museum strike. Questions regarding the strike, about crossing the picket line especially (CUPE members shouldn't cross the line, but the decision is up to the students).

7. Committee Updates

- a. GSAED – Long meeting Alex attended. Jordan proposed to withdraw GSAÉD support on the space manifesto. Rescind GSAÉD support, will produce own document. Library committee mentioned, Association of Research Libraries meeting 1:30pm Oct. 7th. Fifth floor “zoo” mentioned, discussed perhaps fining students? Inter-Library Loans project will end in April 2010 (free) if it's not viable. GSAÉD will push for free ILL to be permanent. Alex needs form to be filled with bank info from HGSA, Josh will let him know at exec meeting next week.
- b. CUPE – Marc-André isn't here to discuss.
- c. Departmental Assembly – From Tanya:
 - decline in undergrad signing up on specialization. Cédric points out the lack of # of seminars. Tanya says it's problematic
 - 3 absent posts and 2 vacant posts.
 - Enrolment is up at uOttawa and Carleton.
 - Letter writing campaign from president of Ontario Universities (?) in Globe and Mail (?) about how professors don't want to teach; Alan Rock won't publish any letter. We should include this in the letter we are

planning to send to Rock. Julie asks for impressions about changing the letter: different issue from the boxtops; Shawn discusses fact that TAs shouldn't be the ones having the more interactions with students vs profs. We will not change the letter regarding the articles. HSA needs to deal with their relationship with professors, HGSA deals on its own. Discussion goes back to the boxtop issue. Fact that the History dept. is one of the department who sees the most students every year (from other departments too), department is always swamped. Professors are bitter because they filed a grievance. Student life is linked to the issue. It will be slipped somewhere in the letter. Faculty suggested we, as an association, take the boxtops out of the letter. HGSA will have to vote on the issue. Amy suggests there needs to be other incentives to improve student experience; if it's boxtops, it's boxtops, whatever is adequate. Vote when more people from the exec are here. Julie proposes that she will go to Tanya about what was discussed, draft a letter then vote on the next meeting.

- University budget is online for those who want to see it.
- d. Graduate Studies Committee – Taku and Amy attended sept 10 meeting. 37 new students admitted this year. 28 MAs, 11 francophones (up from last year, vs 7). 26 applicants have refused admission offers. # French classes, other opportunity from CDN mentioned; 4 classes in French for the whole year. Enrolment not high enough to justify more classes (classes aren't overly full)
- e. CHA – next conference is in Mtl. Try and get a group to go? Sign up but not before January (25\$).
- f. Colloquium – Oct 14th is the next colloquium. Tyler isn't here so we don't know where and at what time. Pierrick dropped out, Tyler was looking for a French presenter.
- g. Web site – N/A
- h. Conference and Co-op committee: News? Josh is waiting on info about it.

8. Varia

- Shawn mentions conference on publishing (Oct. 19th London ON) and giving seminar when he comes back. He asks if he can get funds from the HGSA, will be voted on next meeting. (Will also be included in the November meeting so we can vote on it.)
- Julie discusses translation of the constitution. Suggestion to form a committee consisted of Jordan, Pat and Amy and another francophone.
- Julie went to first gen assembly of RÉFO in Sudbury (assemblée constituante). Groupe de lobby pour gouv. Ontario et représentant étudiants post-secondaires en Ontario. Asks support from francophone students. Comité local à l'Université d'Ottawa = but de formuler politique d'aménagement linguistique, contacter Julie pour questions.
- Cédric asks about the medieval grievance. Says university doesn't have the resources, links it with the problem of the MA in history in French, requires 6 classes but only 4 are offered. Suggests it's an occasion when Tanya meets the

dean to mention this problem, which can be linked with the medieval grievance. It affects francophone students. University is cutting in the services it offers. Students cannot complete their programs.

9. Côture / Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 12:48 pm