GSA Board

Report to GSA Council for the 18 March 2019 Meeting

To: GSA Council
From: Courtney Thomas, Executive Director; Julie Tanguay, Associate Director; and Lisa Hareuther, Assistant Director
Date: 15 March 2019

The GSA Board (GSAB) reports regularly to GSA Council by listing its agenda items, Motions/agreements, and main items of discussion (meeting reports are also offered at each meeting). Motions of Agenda approval and approval of the Minutes are not included unless there were amendments made. Closed session items are not minuted. GSA Council members are always able to ask questions about items that were discussed in closed session. Open session Minutes are available upon request. The President, Vice-Presidents, and the administrative team will be happy to answer any questions or provide more information at the GSA Council meeting. Also see the weekly Management Reports to the GSAB in Item 20 (Executive Director’s Report to GSA Council) on pages 20.1 – 20.3.

27 February 2019 GSA Board Meeting:
Main Agenda Items:
GSA Health and Dental Plan Fee for 2019-2020; Recommended Changes to GSA Policy on Grants and Bursaries; and Recommended Changes to GSA Bylaw and Policy on Membership.

Motions and Agreements:
MOTION: That the GSA Board RECOMMEND TO GSA COUNCIL that the GSA Health and Dental Plan Fee be set at $500.36/annum, effective 1 September 2019, with collection from graduate students to begin 1 September 2019. SvK MOVED. MA Seconded. CARRIED.
MOTION: That the GSA Board RECOMMEND TO GSA COUNCIL, having also been unanimously recommended by the GSA Governance Committee, the recommended changes to GSA Bylaw and Policy, Section P: GSA Grants and Bursaries, as shown in the attached double column document and effective upon approval by GSA Council. SvK MOVED. BR Seconded. CARRIED.
MOTION: That the GSA Board RECOMMEND TO GSA COUNCIL, having also been unanimously recommended by the GSA Governance Committee, the recommended changes to GSA Bylaw and Policy, Section B: Members and associated changes throughout GSA Bylaw and Policy, as shown in the attached double column document and track changes document and effective upon approval by GSA Council. SvK MOVED. BR Seconded. CARRIED.

6 March 2019 GSA Board Meeting:
Main Agenda Items:
Statement re International Student Tuition Increase and Residence Rental Rate Increases; and Meeting reports.

Motions and Agreements: None at this time

13 March 2019 GSA Board Meeting:
Main Agenda Items:
Attendance at the Alberta Graduate Provincial Advocacy Council (ab-GPAC) Transition, 12-13 April 2019, in Calgary, AB; and Meeting reports.

Motions and Agreements:
MOTION: That the GSA Board APPROVE the estimated expense for five (5) representatives to attend the ab-GPAC Transition, 12-13 April 2019 in Calgary, AB as noted below. SvK MOVED. ZP Seconded. CARRIED.