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HGSC Meeting Notes – September 25, 2018 (meeting #1)

Present: Chris Marsh, Steven Langlois Tyla Betke, Emily Kaliel, Dimitry Zakharov, Marie-Eve Presber, McKelvey Kelly, Kiera Mitchell, Derek Cameron

I. Opening Remarks - Confirmation of New Executive

Welcome to New History Graduate Student Committee for 2018-2019: Chris Marsh will continue as HGSC President. Derek Cameron is the incoming Vice President. Andrea Ens is incoming Workshop Coordinator. Marie-Eve Presber is the incoming Social Director. Kiera Mitchell is the incoming Secretary-Treasurer. Steven Langlois will continue in the position of Social Director. McKelvey Kelly is an incoming 2018-2019 HGSC Graduate Student Association reps. John Bird will remain as GSA Representative. Tyla Betke will continue as Communications Officer with the added incoming position of Social Media Director as these are now combined roles. Emily Kaliel is the incoming Faculty Liaison. Dimitry Zakharov is the incoming Social Director.

Signing authority: Chris Marsh, 2018-2019 president (signing authority staying with him as previous president), Derek Cameron (vice president, taking over signing authority from 2017-2018 vice president Marie-Eve Presber) and Kiera Mitchell (secretary/treasurer, taking over signing authority from 2017-2018 secretary/treasurer Emily Kaliel).

Manner of distributing minutes was discussed. Kiera will distribute to executive committee members and then Tyla will post the minutes online.

II. Discussion of a Regular Time for Future Meetings

The last Tuesday morning of each month proposed as a continued time for future meetings. Potential for increasing number of meetings left open in case needed. Emily suggests leaving this time flexible due to prior commitments. Marie-Eve brings up needing to move the meeting in October to be earlier due to the Halloween Party and needing enough time ahead of time. Tyla suggests a soft booking of Tuesday mornings at the end of the month. Marie-Eve proposes making all Tuesday at 10 available to be decided on month-by-month via Doodle. This is agreed upon.

III. Discussion of Masters' Colloquium

The Masters' Colloquium will be happening on Monday November 26 at the Diefenbaker Prairie Room. Derek asks when the sessions should be booked. Marie-Eve suggests going from 10 to 4 with a lunch included. Chris asks for a confirmation of room booking. Derek confirms that the room has been booked. Chris suggests going over Derek's responsibilities:

Marie-Eve proposes that presenters need to have an abstract and bio submitted to Derek by November 1st. Marie-Eve also says that Derek needs to contact potential panelists in

the beginning of November. Tyla outlines some suggestions for panel arrangements for Derek. Marie-Eve also suggests that Derek should be sending out email-based reminders, posters and other advertising.

As a related aside, Andrea recommends having a practice Masters' Colloquium. Tyla advises that it should be two weeks before to allow for adequate preparation time. This is agreed upon.

IV. Discussion of Halloween Party and other social events

I. Halloween Party:

The committee expresses unanimous interest in having a Halloween Party. McKelvey proposes each social director should have an event that they mainly focus on, especially having one social director assigned to focus on the organization of Book Pub. Marie-Eve says she doesn't mind taking the lead on Book Pub but says she does not have a car. Steven and Dimitry agree to act as support on the event if Marie-Eve is organizing.

For a date for the Halloween Party, Marie-Eve suggests November 2nd for a date. She indicates she potentially can use the HGSC Commons due to ability to freebie pass to access it past 7:30pm. It is suggested that faculty are invited for students to get to know them. Tyla advises kid-friendly activities happening earlier in the evening. Marie-Eve will confirm if she can use her freebie for HGSC Commons booking into late evening. Budget discussed will be for:

- Alcohol
- non-alcoholic beverages
- food (including gluten free options)
- Liquor License
- Halloween themed items:
 - Decorations

Budget amount: \$300. Chris proposes. Marie-Eve seconds.

Hours: 4pm to 7pm for kids' activities. Further hours based on Commons availability.

II. Book Pub:

Preliminary discussions – McKelvey wonders if there is a possibility to get a storage space for leftover Book Pub supplies i.e. books, alcohol, float. There is a discussion of whether excess books should be donated to Westgate. Marie-Eve suggests approaching the GSA about potentially storing books prior to Book Pub, potentially paying a small amount to rent a space from them. Marie-Eve also proposes a collective sorting of the books by committee members. She will make a Doodle to organize this.

V. Faculty Meeting Report – Dimitry Zakharoy

Class enrollments are OK. There are funding cuts to the department in line with wider trends in the university. Valerie Korinek negotiated a temporary 5 yr gender and sexuality-focused and early modern European history position in lieu of her Vice Dean 5 yr position. Faculty wants everyone to be aware of their new extension policy i.e. there will be only one possible extension date set: can span a maximum of 3 yrs for PhD and maximum of 2 yrs for MA. After this date

has been passed, will result in termination of programme automatically. This decision is coming down from Faculty to department. A new admin assistant has been hired to help Nadine Penner and she might be a new contact person for the committee.

VI. Preliminary Discussion of De Brou Lecture – Emily Kaliel

Erica Dyck is interested in gathering oral histories regarding De Brou. March 7th is suggested date of the lecture. Emily has contacted the library and ascertained this date is currently free. Committee is considering who would be an appropriate faculty member to present at the lecture based on prior presentations and recent publications. Emily has compiled a list of: Valerie Korinek, Katie Labelle, Ashleigh Androsoff. Emily will speak to Erica Dyck about this list of professors and try to confirm their potential availability & appropriateness. Dimitry confirms that there is no food allowed in the library theatre, but he believes one can in the reception room. Emily will confirm about refreshment possibilities. Dimitry passes on a message from Clifford wondering about a table of books for sale at the event. Emily will investigate this.

VII. Open Floor to Other Business

1. Question from McKelvey to Marie-Eve on frequency of GSA meetings.
2. Constitutional Amendment – Marie-Eve Presber
 - a. Asking for permission to distribute amended constitution and will be voted on at a later date. Agreed upon by the committee.
3. GFAC – Marie-Eve Presber
 - a. Question of whether we should continue to have GFAC award due to its nature of tending to be award to people with large amount of tenure and large amounts of past supervised students. Should we alter the nature of how GFAC is awarded moving forward? Marie-Eve indicates any changes need to be including in constitution. Chris says he would rather have this based on grassroots vs. establishment/lifetime achievement. Marie-Eve proposes having GFAC and presenting it at Book Pub. This is agreed upon by committee.
4. HGSC Logo Update – Marie-Eve Presber
 - a. Tyla will approach a potential student who can update this logo and ask about the cost for this.
5. Twitter Presence-Tyla Betke
 - a. Tyla wants to send out an email notifying students on wanting to highlight student achievements on Twitter and requesting info on this from students. She also wants to do a Twitter thread on HGSC executive. Requests a sentence-long bio and picture from each committee member. Tyla will send out an email reminder.
6. Writing Workshop on SSHRC – Andrea Ens
 - a. Andrea proposes a SSHRC writing workshop in October. Room will be 710 or 720. This is agreed to by the committee.

No other business. Meeting is Adjourned.