Agenda

1. Approval of the agenda
2. Introductions
3. Announcements
   a. Arts Graduate Student meet-and-greet, Wed, Sept 23, 2015, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., Bruneau Centre main floor atrium - NEED A GRAD SPEAKER to welcome students!
   b. Band On the Run
4. Democratic Rules of Order
5. Review of Arts Graduate Student Council Constitution and By-Laws
6. Grad 2020 plan under development
7. Departmental mergers (program combinations)
8. List of potential projects for Arts Graduate Student Council
9. AOB
MINUTES

Present: Michael Oman-Reagan, Anthropology; Milo Nicolic, Grad Coordinator, Classics; Melanie Hurley, English; Andrea McGuire, Folklore; Lesley Derraugh, Gender Studies; Sharmane Allen, Geography; Emma Lang, History; Mariana Hernandez Hernandez, Linguistics; Shannon O'Rourke, Philosophy; Eli Mason, Religious Studies; Gary Catano, Sociology; Steve Kiraly, MPhil Humanities; Tina Mulroney, MER; Tanya Nielson, IDPHD; Carrie Dyck, Associate Dean of Arts (Research and Grad Studies).

1. Approval of the agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Introductions

3. Announcements

   a. Arts Graduate Student meet-and-greet, Wed, Sept 3, 2015, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., Bruneau Centre main floor atrium

      Steve Kiraly agreed to welcome graduates at the meet-and-greet.
      Emma Lang requested to present information on the Future of the Humanities at the event.
      Carrie Dyck to circulate Band On the Run information.

4. Democratic Rules of Order

   Review the book and return the copy to Carrie for recirculation.

5. Review of Arts Graduate Student Council Constitution and By-Laws

6. Grad 2020 plan under development

7. Departmental mergers (program combinations)

   Each of the non-departmental interdisciplinary majors programs will combine with a cognate department by January 1st, 2016.

   The Provost has directed the Dean of Arts to create new program combinations, while maintaining the integrity of each program. You will still get your degree that you signed up for. We are in the preliminary stages, and hope for this to be a collegial process.

8. List of potential projects for Arts Graduate Student Council

   We did not get to this item. See below for a listing.

9. AOB
Steve Kiraly will Chair the October meeting; Sharmane Allan will be the Alternate Chair; Michael Oman-Reagan is the Secretary for the October meeting.

Potential projects / needs:
- Have a workshop on how to apply for grants
- Web page for Arts Graduate Student Council
- Information Package for future graduate students
- Create an identity for the Faculty of Arts graduate programs
- Prepare a letter stating our position on library cutting Academic Journals
- Navigating ethics review (ICEHR)
- Organize sport events to bring graduate students together
- Organize a thesis club to prevent ‘loneliness’ and ‘isolation’
- Take action to prevent mental health issues (e.g. anxiety) which are top issues for graduate students
- Post-degree services
- Session for students on new ATIPA and implications
- What Student Services are also available for Grads
- Grad 2020 will address these potential projects:
  - Work on compiling information on Comps guidelines from different departments
- Check different academic program reviews re graduate programs
- Posters, etc., Faculty of Arts research, in the Arts Atrium?
- Pictures of students in the halls (Geography example)
- Graduates can help with recruiting undergraduates; patronage-type system.