



Arts Council Meeting

Wednesday, Nov 29th, 2017

6:00pm Psychology Anthropology Sociology 2438

Arts Student Union

University of Waterloo

Agenda

Order	Subject	Action
1	Approval of the Agenda Motion: That Council approve the agenda.	Decision
2	Approval of the November 15 th , 2017 Council Minutes in Appendix A Motion: That the Council approve the above minutes.	Decision
3	Intercollegiate Peace Fellowship Conference Grant Proposal in Appendix B Motion: That the Council approve the grant proposal.	Decision
4	Theatre Students Union Swag Grant Proposal in Appendix C Motion: That the Council approve the grant proposal.	Decision
5	History Society's MacKinnon Dinner Subsidy Grant Proposal in Appendix D Motion: That the Council approve the grant proposal.	Decision
6	Items for Report/Announcement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Executive Reports ● Councillor Reports ● Society Reports 	Information
7	Adjournment	Decision

Minutes

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: That the Council approve the agenda.

First: History Society

Second: Theatre Students Union

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: The Council approves the aforementioned agenda.

Approval of the Council Minutes

Motion: That the Council approve the November 15th, 2017 Council Minutes

First: History Society

Second: Theatre Students Union

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: The Council approves the aforementioned council minutes.

Grant Proposals

Intercollegiate Peace Fellowship Conference Grant Proposal

Proposal: The PACS department is organizing the upcoming conference with Conrad Grebel on restorative justice in February, and aims to use the grant (if obtained) to fund the registration of University of Waterloo Arts students to attend the conference. The finance committee is working on the budget and accounts for funding of 41200 from Conrad Grebel, \$5000 from the Arts Endowment Fund, a \$2000 grant from Feds and asks the ASU for \$1000 (amending the original proposal in Appendix B) in order to sponsor 20 Arts Students to attend the conference with a registration fee of \$50 per person. They ask for the grant this term as the early-bird deadline for registration is December 8th after which the fee goes up to \$60 per person.

Motion: That Council approve the above amended proposal.

First: History Society

Second: Psychology Society

Vote: Motion Passes

PACS Society abstain consensus, All for.

Resolved: That Council approve the aforementioned amended proposal.

Theatre Students Union Swag Grant Proposal

Proposal: The Theatre Students Union asks for \$250 broken down in two parts: \$100 to pay rental space fee for the Drama Ball next week and \$150 to subsidize the bulk of their swag purchase. With regards to the Drama Ball, students are paying \$10 to attend which accounts for additional costs of the event.

Motion: That Council approve the above proposal.

First: Peace and Conflicts Society

Second: Classics and Medieval Studies

Society

Vote: Motion Passes

All for.

Resolved: That Council approve the aforementioned proposal

History Society's MacKinnon Dinner Subsidy Grant Proposal

Proposal: History Society is requesting \$600 in accordance with grant requested (and granted) in the Fall 2015 term which will be used to subsidize the ticket cost for those attending the MacKinnon Dinner in the winter term. The event is one where students and professors gather at a local restaurant and a Speaker attends (This year's topic is the Canadian 100 Days Battle). The Society asks for the \$600 as they did two years ago because they did not ask for funding from the ASU last year and found attendance was a little lower when tickets costed \$35 as opposed to \$30. Staff and Non-Arts would still pay the higher price. The society asks for funding now so they can open up pre-sale tickets as early as possible, in order to accommodate students who will not be on campus to purchase their own ticket in the Winter term.

Questions: The President asks what the entire budget is. The History Society responds that the budget was 3000 based on that of last year. The council asks how else the society funds the event. The representative responds that the society requests grants from the Arts Endowment Fund and has small fundraisers throughout the year.

Discussion: The council feel that the request is within the parameters of past years and acknowledges the initiative in the society acquiring funding from multiple sources.

Motion: That Council approve the above proposal.

First: Human Resources Society

Second: Peace and Conflicts Society

Vote: Motion Passes

All for.

Resolved: That Council approve the aforementioned proposal.

Society Reports

History Society

- Just received a grant for MacKinnon Dinner.
- Upcoming Trivia Night on December 6th.
- Hoping to provide donuts for students during exam time as a de-stressor.

Philosophy Society

- EOT Prof/Student mixer will be happening next week at the Graduate House.
- Planning for Spring Swag.

Political Science Student Association

- Meeting with journal editor in the next week, and beginning to advertise for student submissions.
- Finalized two MPS to be present at panel discussion to be held on January 18th.
- Hoping to host a revision session in the lounge with hot chocolate and cookies.

German Society

- Just held EOT event which had good turnout.
- Society is going to the Christmas market next week in Kitchener.
- Swag order has been finalized.
- In the middle of nominations for executive positions which will be vacant next term.

Human Resources Society

- First event was last week, which had good response on Facebook but lower turnout than expected; still a success.
- Election process underway as most executives will be on co-op next term.

Peace and Conflicts Society

- Mainly working on the conference.
- Hoping to collaborate with PACS Live Learn Community to hold an EOT de-stress with cocoa event.

Psychology Society

- Established Events committee based on a lot of interest in involvement in the society.
- Holding a study session event this evening.
- De-stress event tomorrow (making slime).
- Starting to plan the Psych Gala for next term.

English Society

- Held a Board Game Event last night where a few alumni showed up; hoping to invite alumni back next term for a Beyond University Info Session.

Theatre Students Union

- Just received grant for the Drama Ball and Swag; Ball next Tuesday and it will be jungle themed.
- Holding a Movie Night event to start the winter term.
- Directing workshop this past Sunday was a success.

Classics and Medieval Studies Society

- Final banquet today.
- Next week holding a Prof/Student EOT Dinner.
- Having a new President for winter term.

Arts and Business Society

- Successful social last week at the bomber.
- Trivia event this Monday in the Hagey Hub from 12-2PM

Sociology Society

- Prof Mixer with Legal Studies Society went well.
- Graduate Studies Panel was two weeks ago; also was a success.

Global Business and Digital Arts Society

- Closed the term with a sticker contest and the stickers were sold last week.
- Held a De-stress Event last Tuesday.
- Planning winter EOT celebration.
- Professional Development Conference in Stratford coming up.

Le Cercle Français

- Last event happened last Thursday at café.

Economics Society

- Held a Trivia Night which received good feedback.
- Graduate House Mentors Event alumni, attendance lower than hoped for; will hold event earlier in the next term.
- Ongoing Election for newly vacant position of President for next term.

Music Society

- Study Day this Friday from 12-3PM.
- Sushi day on Tuesday (same day as instrumental exam day).

Society of Fine Arts

- Successful final Movie Night for the term.
- Successful Art Market Event; planning to do something similar next term.

Speech Communications Society

- EOT Event to be held next Wednesday.



- Mostly planning academic workshops with professors for next term.
- Looking forward to a Student/Prof Mixer next term.

Executive Reports

President

-De-stress and Refresh was a success, so much so that it will be its own event in addition to a Puppy De-stress event run with the AUO in the Winter Term. The ASU will purchase the succulents next term.

-In the process of planning Gala with the VP Social which will be held on March 24th tentatively. Location is TBA.

-The Executive team are beginning to plan events for next term.

-Cheques are available; please see the President after Council.

-First Year Representatives made great de-stress kits for D and R Event.

VP Executive

N/A

VP Academic

N/A

VP Communications

N/A

VP Finance

N/A

VP Retail

N/A

VP Social

N/A

Motion to Adjourn

First: History Society

Second: Philosophy Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: Council approves the motion to adjourn the meeting

Absences

Accounting and Finance Student Association

Anthropology Society

Digital Arts and Communications Students Society

Human Sciences Society

Legal Studies Society

Religious Studies Society

Sexuality, Marriage and Family Studies Society

Spanish Society

Women's Studies Society

Appendix A

November 15th Council Minutes

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: That Council approve the agenda.

First: History Society

Second: Anthropology Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: The Council approves the aforementioned agenda.

Approval of the Council Minutes

Motion: That the Council approve the November 1st, 2017 Council Minutes

First: History Society

Second: Arts and Business Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: The Council approves the aforementioned Council minutes.

Society Reports

History Society

- Held a board game night which had meager attendance; working on a marketing strategy for the future focusing on encouragement of students hanging out in the history lounge.
- Hosting a trivia night next week.
- Working on preparations for big History Dinner Event next term.

Classics and Medieval Studies Society

- Held a successful Professor's Book Launch Event.
- Hosted a departmental Wine and Cheese, which had a successful turnout consisting of professors, students and some alumni.

English Society

- Successfully filled the last two executive positions for their society.
- Planning an event for November, possibly in the English Office; something like a focus group to find out more about what kind of events students would like the society to host in the future.

Anthropology Society

- Officially set the date for the Flint Mapping Event which will happen on Tuesday, November 21st at 7PM in PAS 1241.

Theatre Students Union

- Holding a Directing Workshop on the 26th of November.
- Having a meeting with students to discuss the program and receive feedback at the end of term.
- Hosting a Movie Night, showing old shows put on by the society.

German Society

- Swag order has been finalized and will be sent out promptly.
- Schnitzel night was a success; had good turnout.
- Upcoming Board Games Night.
- Upcoming Movie Night this Friday.
- The society will be going to the Christmas Market in Kitchener at start of December.

Speech Communications Society

- Hosting a 22 language event, discussing interpretation of different vernacular.
- Holding an end of term celebration on December 6th.

Music Society

- Held a Listening Event on November 3rd which had good turnout.

- The society went to Cineplex to see The Magic Flute last week.
- Hosting a study day on December 1st, to tutor first and second year students.
- Having a Sushi Day event on December 5th.

Peace and Conflict Studies Society

- Changed the location for their candy giving event.

Arts and Business Society

- Held a Meet the Professor and Trivia Event last night.
- Tentatively planning a Student Wellness Event closer to the end of term featuring student care packages.

Human Resources Society

- Wanting to raise awareness about the society's comeback; and hosting an event on November 20th at 7PM, hoping for a turnout of 60 people.

Political Sciences Student Association

- Held a successful Trump Survival party.
- Finalized an editor for the Political Science Journal, meeting with a professor to get it up and running.
- Looking to host one more Movie Night for the term.

Legal Studies Society

- Looking toward events for the winter term, i.e., the Women's Prison trip in the Kitchener Waterloo area.
- Looking into visiting a courthouse.
- Hosting a Murder Mystery Event in the near future.
- Hosting an industry panel discussion event, inviting professionals to chat about their experiences.
- Tentatively working on a De-stress Event for November.

Society of Fine Arts

- Held a successful painting night.
- Upcoming Art Market.
- Movie Nights have been occurring every week.
- Looking into hosting a Board Game Night.

Le Cercle Français

- Termly Crepe Night is happening tomorrow.
- Hoping to host one more pub night to allow students to work on French skills.
- Planning their Gala for next term.

Accounting and Finance Student Association

- Had an Instagram contest for Halloween.

- Upcoming AFSA photoshoot in the new building.
- Sauce the Execs event for charity was a success.
- Had a first year team at the University of Toronto Goes for the Gold competition.
- Hosting an AFSA Speaker Series Event tomorrow.
- Semi was a success.
- Held a review session which had good turnout.
- Releasing swag at end of the month.
- Releasing AFSA discount cards soon.
- Holding a Bubble Tea Talent Show next Friday.
- Putting on a MovAFSA Instagram contest.

Executive Reports

President

- Reminds societies to make sure they have itemized receipts when submitting cheque requests to the VP Finance.
- Encourages societies to request grants.
- Puppies and Popcorn no longer includes puppies but will still happen on the 28th from 11-2 in the Hagey Hub. It will instead be called Succulents and Sandwiches. The ASU will be providing popcorn and a trail mix bar.
- By-elections were held and both positions were acclaimed.
- Had a meeting with the deans today and mainly discussed two things; the deans asked for Council's input on the matters.

Question 1: Regarding how the University handles religious conflicts with regards to examinations. There is discussion of two policy change options, one of which would expand to include accommodation for many more religions and one which would no longer accommodate any religious conflicts.

Discussion:

As it stands the university is sort of wishy-washy with accommodations being dependent on Professors' preferences, and cases coming to the Deans when a student has not received an accommodation from their Professor.

- As it stands we do not have exams on Sundays, should we also discontinue Saturday or Friday examinations for accommodate additional religions.
- Concern rose about students taking advantage of more accessible accommodations.
- Difficulty of Christian based break time on the national level which complicates accommodation further.
- A member of the Council suggests having an online form which students can fill out; updating the system in order to take some of the pressure of the Deans and Professors.
- Concern is raised about the potential for academic fraud. In order to regulate the volume of accommodation requests, a Council member suggests a section on an online form which only allows a student to affirm their affiliation with a single religion.
- Discussion of the possibility of designated accommodation days for students with religious affiliations; something like a dispersal of reading week type days for those students. This is countered on the basis of it being difficult to regulate.
- Requires more exam proctors.
- The Council affirms that reasonable accommodation is important.
- The Council question how the more inclusive policy has worked at York University.

Question 2: Regarding how the University can further incentivize student note-taking for Accessibility Services.

Discussion:

- Accessibility Services are trying to implementing better note taking services; the problem of a lack thereof is more so in other faculties.
- VP Communications suggested making note taking an optional EDGE experience, a valuable suggestion but it does not account for co-op students.
- A Councilmember mentions that incentives are already in place; students receiving a letter of recommendation for so many terms of note taking.
- A Council member brings up the issue of students lacking confidence in their note taking; the need to hold workshops or having the ability to work closer with Professors to understand how to write effective and useful notes.
- A Council member suggests a monetary incentive for note taking i.e., adding money on one's WatCard.
- The Council discusses the issue with Professors not sharing their lecture notes, at least with students which have additional needs.

VP Executive

N/A

VP Academic

N/A

VP Communications

N/A

VP Finance

- Last day for cheque requests will be the 27th.
- Wants societies to make sure they are paying for their events in their entirety and then getting students to reimburse them personally if they are paying part of the cost. This is to keep funding trackable for the accountant.

VP Retail

N/A

VP Social

- Christmas Market Event had to be cancelled.
- Planning for Gala next term is underway.

Motion to Adjourn

First: History Society

Second: German Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: Council approves the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Absences

Digital Arts and Communications Society

Economics Society

Global Business and Digital Arts Society

Human Sciences Society

Philosophy Society

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Appendix B

Intercollegiate Peace Fellowship Conference Grant

Society/club name: Peace and Conflict Studies Department

Reason for subsidy: Conrad Grebel University College takes pride in placing a strong emphasis on community, with a mission statement that constantly serves as a reminder in the importance of pursuing justice and peace. Taking our school's commitment to building a more innovative future and creating more development opportunities into consideration, University of Waterloo (UW) students, most of whom are Arts students, have come together this fall term in planning for the upcoming Intercollegiate Peace Fellowship (ICPF) Conference that is set to take place from February 9-11, 2018. . For the funding requested, we would like to sponsor a few arts students to attend the conference. We thought this would be an important addition to encourage more arts student to attend our event.

In celebration of the 40th anniversary of Peace and Conflict Studies (PACS) at Grebel, we are proud and excited to be hosting the ICPF conference. The three day conference will explore the meaning, history, and practice of restorative justice by discussing different approaches, its use in different cultural contexts, the teaching of restorative justice principles, and how alumni from the PACS department are engaged in this important work.

The impact of our project will be highly positive on UW Arts students since they are the conference's primary target audience. The ICPF conference is an annual student led event that is currently being organized by students, for students. The planning committee primarily consists of UW Arts students and PACS students (including the active involvement of the PACS society as well). We have already reached out to the Arts Student Union regarding putting up posters in HH, AL, PAS and ML, which has been successfully done so. The conference is also going to be promoted through the campus displays that are located in more than 20 high traffic corridors and departments across campus, including buildings like SLC, DP, SCH and HH.

Grebel aims to bring together UW Arts students to participate and learn about the meaning, history and practice of restorative justice, as well as what it has to offer. The conference will no doubt provide valuable insight into its theme, as well as create thought provoking discussions with differing views. Participants will have the opportunity to meet and discuss on the topic of restorative justice with other student participants that share the same interest in peace and justice. The first day of the conference is designed to start off with a general introduction to restorative justice that dives into specific topics within each workshop. The second day will allow students to process and reflect on the information presented throughout the conference. Ultimately, our conference aims to encourage Arts students to integrate what they learn into their studies and future goals, inspiring them to incorporate social justice elements into their lives on a smaller scale.

Today, we request your support in the development of our conference, to ensure its success as well as demonstrate the university's ongoing commitment to teaching and learning via experience.

Date of event (if applicable): Fri, 2018-02-09

Location (if applicable): Conrad Grebel University College

Number of participants: 100

Total expenditures:

Expenses

Fixed

T-shirts \$ 400

Folders \$ 300

Printing \$ 100
Posters \$ 72.34
Honorariums \$ 1700
Bags \$ 220
Social Events \$ 400
Supplies \$ 100
Name Badges \$ 200
Faculty Lunch \$ 100
Fixed Expenses Total \$ 3592

Variable
Food (100 people) \$ 8475

Total Expenses \$12 067

Expected revenues:

- Arts Endowment Fund \$1500
- Waterloo Environment Students Endowment Fund \$500
- Grebel Fund \$5000

Loan or grant: Grant

Proposed subsidy from Arts Student Union:

- Honorariums \$500
- Social Events \$200
- Supplies \$100
- Name Badges \$200
- T-shirts \$400
- Printing \$100

Total: \$1500

Proposed terms of loan repayment (if applicable): :

Allotment already received this term: N/A

Appendix C

Theatre Students Union Swag Grant Proposal

Organization: Other

Society/club name: Theatre Student's Union

Reason for subsidy: Theatre Students Union is looking for a grant to help fund the bulk purchase of program specific swag and to offset the costs of the venue for our annual Drama Ball.

Date of event (if applicable): Tue, 2017-12-05

Location (if applicable): The Hawk's Nest - Laurier Campus

Number of participants: Approximately 25-30

Total expenditures:

Drama swag: \$100

Space rental fee: \$150

Expected revenues: We are selling drama ball tickets at \$10 a piece at the door to help pay for the cost of the venue rental, and students will be paying TSU back for drama swag once it is shipped.

Loan or grant: Grant

Proposed subsidy from Arts Student Union: \$250.00

Proposed terms of loan repayment (if applicable): :

Allotment already received this term: \$200 basic society grant.

Appendix D

History Society's MacKinnon Dinner Subsidy Grant Proposal

Society/club name: University of Waterloo History Society

Reason for subsidy: Since 1984, the University of Waterloo History Society has organized the annual MacKinnon Dinner in honour of the late Dr. Hugh MacKinnon. This dinner is available to alumni, graduate students, and undergraduate students, as well as the history department staff. The dinner is a treasured tradition, and always hosts a speaker and related topic that is both educational and engaging. This year's topic is the Canadian 100 Days Battle that helped to end the First World War, as it is the 100th Anniversary. The speaker is Doctor Jack Granatstein, an expert on the topic of the dinner. Currently, the History Society is building up its funds to pay for this event; funds will be accumulated via fundraisers, AEF, ticket sales, and possibly ASU funding grants.

Date of event (if applicable): Sat, 2018-03-10

Location (if applicable): Prospective: Charcoal Steak House in Kitchener

Number of participants: 30-60

Total expenditures: Projected price for middle price menu with 50 attendees is \$3050, including gratuities and taxes. Attendees cover travel themselves.

The speaker for the event is covered by the department.

Expected revenues:

Previous structure (2015-2016)

AEF funding - \$1220

Krispy Kreme fundraiser - \$250

ASU/FEDs allotment - \$241

MacKinnon Dinner Ticket Sales - \$1190 (\$35 for students, 40 for non-students + staff)

Current projected structure

AEF funding (Not obtained currently) - \$1300

Krispy Kreme Fundraiser (December 1st start time) - \$350

ASU/FEDs allotment - \$ 241.50

MacKinnon Ticket Sales - Starting soon, prospective prices \$25-35 for Arts students, \$40 for staff and non-Arts students

Loan or grant: Grant

Proposed subsidy from Arts Student Union:

A subsidy of \$600 was granted in the past, doing so again will give us the capacity to subsidize the ticket sales to provide tickets to arts students at a lower price. This subsidy will also create a buffer level in case of a failure to attain satisfactory Krispy Kreme sales, or to help absorb a lower than expected AEF Funding amount.

Proposed terms of loan repayment (if applicable): :

Allotment already received this term: Basic society allotment - \$241.50