

Tri-University Graduate Student Association (TUGSA)
General Meeting
January 15, 2014
Waterloo Grad House - 2nd Floor

Presiding: Marjorie Hopkins (Guelph), Matt Wiseman (Laurier), Geoff Keelan (Waterloo)

Attending: Whitney Wood, Marc-Andre Gagnon, Russ Freure, Ian Muller, Andrew Moore, Joe Buscemi, Jeremy Wiebe, Christina Moss, Ryan Kirkby

Minutes

Marjorie announced our elections at the next meeting on March 19 in Guelph as well as an election for Waterloo Graduate Student Rep for its history department. Nomination statements will be required for both. There will be an online vote if there is more than one candidate for the GSA rep so that all Waterloo students can contribute.

Geoff discussed the upcoming Tri-University Conference. Some students said that they have yet to receive an official Call For Papers, so Geoff will talk to Dr. Susan Roy about sending out more information/emails.

The Co Presidents discussed the upcoming Tri U Program Review. A schedule will be sent out along with the minutes of this meeting. We encourage student input on the review. Each university has a meeting for its grad students. These reports have the power to shape programs and it is important to know what students think. It will be anonymous and incorporated into a larger report.

Matt gave an update on the website. Tri U Conference registration is all online. There is now an active calendar of events on the website (www.triuhistory.ca). As well, a Tri-U App is being constructed by Matt. Its most important feature will be a push notification for events.

We discussed upcoming events, mainly the meeting and Topics on Tap on March 19 as well as the April Canoe Trip (date to be announced and dependant on weather).

Jeremy raised the topic of organizing history students coming out to trivia, every other Wednesday at the Waterloo grad house. It will be added to the calendar of events.

Ryan asked a question about the management of the website and who it falls under. Matt explained that Jonathan Crossen did it for many years and then the Director passed it on to Matt Wiseman. It was asked if we should make it available to others rather than having only an internal position. It could also be raised at a meeting so that other students have an opportunity to apply if they want to do so. The same applies to the editor of the Triumvirate newsletter.