GSA Nominating Committee (GSA NoC)  
Report to GSA Council for the September 18, 2017 Meeting

To: GSA Council  
From: Radim Barta  
Date: September 15, 2017

Dear Council Colleagues,

The report from the GSA NoC this month is a summary of discussions/decisions the GSA NoC has made since its last report, together with a list of all vacancies filled and those which will be filled shortly.

GSA Policy governing the GSA NoC is located in GSA Bylaw and Policy, Section E: Nominating. As provided for in its Terms of Reference, the GSA NoC has been conducting business via e-mail.

Sincerely,

Radim Barta, Chair of the GSA NoC

GSA Standing Committees

1) GSA Deputy Speaker and GSA DRO (2 Graduate Student Positions in Total)  
These positions were first advertised in the GSA newsletter in advance of the June 2017 meeting of GSA Council but no nominations were received. These positions were again advertised in the August 18, 2017 GSA newsletter with a nomination deadline of September 1, 2017. No nomination was received for the position of GSA DRO. One (1) nomination was received for the position of GSA Deputy Speaker. A call for additional nominations was circulated to GSA Council with a nomination deadline of September 13, 2017. No additional nominations were received. The vacancy for GSA DRO will be advertised again. There will be a paper ballot vote for the position of GSA Deputy Speaker. See Item 7a – Nominees for GSA Deputy Speaker.

2) GSA Elections and Referenda Committee (GSA ERC) (1 GSA Council Member, 1 Graduate Students)  
Information regarding the position for one (1) GSA Council member was circulated via email to GSA Council with a deadline of September 1, 2017. No nominations were received, so this vacancy will be advertised again in late September. The position for one (1) graduate student was advertised in the August 18, 2017 GSA newsletter with a nomination deadline of September 1, 2017. No nominations were received. A call for additional nominations was circulated to GSA Council with a nomination deadline of September 13, 2017. One (1) additional nomination was received. There will be a paper ballot vote. See Item 7c – Nominees for GSA ERC.

3) GSA Nominating Committee (GSA NoC) (1 GSA Council Member)  
Information regarding this position was circulated via email to GSA Council with a deadline of September 1, 2017. No nominations were received. A call for additional nominations was circulated to GSA Council with a nomination deadline of September 13, 2017. One (1) additional nomination was received. There will be a paper ballot vote. See Item 7d – Nominees for GSA NoC.

4) GSA Appeals and Complaints Board (GSA ACB) (3 Graduate Student Positions)  
These positions were advertised in the August 18, 2017 GSA newsletter with a nomination deadline of September 1, 2017. No nominations were received. A call for additional nominations was circulated to GSA Council with a nomination deadline of September 13, 2017. No additional nominations were received. These vacancies will be advertised again in late September.

5) GSA Awards Selection Committee (GSA ASC) (At Least 5 Graduate Student Positions)  
These positions were advertised in the September 1, 2017 GSA newsletter with a nomination deadline of September 7, 2017. Two (2) nominations were received. A call for additional nominations was circulated to GSA Council with a
nomination deadline of September 13, 2017. One (1) additional nomination was received. There will be a paper ballot vote. See Item 7b – Nominees for GSA ASC.

**External Committees**

1) **Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research Council (Up to 25 Graduate Student Positions)**
   These positions were advertised in the August 11, 2017 GSA newsletter with a nomination deadline of September 1, 2017. Thirteen (13) nominations were received. Abdulrahman Albeladi (Chemical and Mechanical Engineering), Clara Fallone (Oncology), Ted Han (Ophthalmology), Liz Fedra Huayta Hernani (Renewable Resources), Maryam Kebbe (Pediatrics), Alleson Mason (Educational Policy Studies), Kerolous Messeha (Medicine), Dasha Smirnow (Business PhD), Mostafa Tawfeek (Civil and Environmental Engineering), Adan Wang (Electrical and Computer Engineering), and Andrew Woodman (Pharmacology) were elected to serve on FGSR Council as Councillors. Tony Zheng (Civil and Environmental Engineering) was elected to serve on FGSR Council as an Alternate. The GSA NoC is working to fill the remaining positions, as noted below.

2) **Learning Technologies Advisory Committee (LTAC) (1 Graduate Student Position)**
   This positions was advertised in the August 4, 2017 GSA newsletter with a nomination deadline of August 23, 2017. One (1) nomination was received and Heather Larson (Physical Education and Recreation) was elected to serve on LTAC.

3) **School of Business Dean Review Committee (1 School of Business Graduate Student)**
   A review for the Dean of Business is being struck by the Provost’s Office. According to the Faculty Deans Selection Procedure, Appendix A: Dean Selection Committees for Individual Faculties, information regarding this opportunity was communicated to the two departmental graduate students’ associations in the School of Business. One (1) nomination was submitted from the MBA Association and one (1) nomination was submitted from the Business Doctoral Association. There will be a paper ballot vote. See Item 7 – Nominees for the School of Business Dean Review Committee

**Current Vacancies**

1) **Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research Council (Up to 13 Graduate Student Positions)**
   These positions were advertised in the September 1, 2017 GSA newsletter with a nomination deadline of September 13, 2017. Nine (9) nominations were received.

2) **Student Library Advisory Committee (SLAC) (1 GSA Council Member)**
   Information regarding this position was circulated via email to GSA Council with a deadline of August 16, 2017. No nominations were received. As per GSA Bylaw and Policy, GSA NoC is currently conducting a directed search to identify a representative.

3) **Arts Faculty Council and Associated Committees (10 Faculty of Arts Graduate Students)**
   There are five (5) vacancies on the Arts Faculty Council, three (3) vacancies on the Academic Affairs Committee, one (1) vacancy on the Academic and Grade Appeals Committee, and one (1) joint vacancy on the Research Committee and McCalla Professorship Committee. These positions were advertised in the September 1, 2017 GSA newsletter with a nomination deadline of September 13, 2017. Two (2) nominations were received for the Arts Faculty Council. The remaining vacancies will be advertised again.