BGSC Exec Meeting Agenda - November 18, 2019

1. Motion to accept the agenda. Jenna & Coco
2. Motion to accept the minutes from Nov. 4 - Ryan & Coco
3. Updates
   a. Update from co-chairs - International Student Rep position update
   b. Assassins - are people still alive?
   c. Grad Information Night - How was it? Did people go?
   d. Pizza with profs - DSC initiative, Wed 4-6 rm 2111
   e. Holiday season - Door decorating, holiday party, etc?
4. Update from representatives:
   a. QUBS - (Actually useful for once hoorah) Grad students wanted/needed to help with outreach programs (either supporting existing programs or implementing new ones)
      ## Education outreach position missing. Help out from the Grad Students is asked.
      ## QUBS 75th anniversary so help is great
      i. Focus on high school students and indigenous people
      ii. Equipment can be provided (e.g. snowshoes, GPS units, etc.)
   b. Faculty and Staff - Possible name change to exit seminar
      ## Change to ‘Finishing Seminar’, but why though. “The FINALE” is better.
   c. Graduate Committee - No updates!
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   d. Union - ??
      ## RA feedback session, Wed 27, GC 6:9
      ## Next meeting on Wednesday
   e. SGPS - Emillie and Mike went to meeting, will explain
      ## QBACC climate change speeches: Queen’s vote to divest in two years
      ## Dept money defined by performance as opposed to enrollment
      ## Abolish PhD tuition by September 2020 = no more ITA/QGA for grad students
      ## Allowing self-funded graduate students at Queen’s - considerable controversy, but preference given for funded students first
      ## CAGS - student wanted on board of directors, JDUC space for SGPS lounge, improved mental health at Queen’s (key fob access). NO booking for non-SGPS members
      ## Phishing attempts
      ## International student network - international arts grads are very poor
      ## Beyond boundaries conference in Jan/Feb??
      ## Elections appeal committee (2 members).
   f. RTPs - Final Interview this week / Genetics professor position
      ## Sent genetics ad to department and got feedback and edited. Deadline Jan. 10. 2020
## Trying to find more MCIBs profs for hiring committee

5. Update from Social coordinators - Holiday party / BEERs & CIDERs / Winter intramurals
   ## Thursday Volleyball for intramurals in winter term
   ## BEERs - Bora does math, doc for last BEERs

6. Update from Academic - Were TA evaluations sent out?

7. BGRS update - ??
   ## SGPS rejection - change volunteer list
   ## Other funding options moving through. Just waiting

## nothing from DSC

8. Today’s special projects:
   a. Ryan - Generate a list of materials needed, brainstorm games, draft posters, ticket prices (last year was $15 or $20 at the door), etc.
   b. Riley - Confirm the final BEERs & CIDERs for the rest of the term, then help Ryan.
   c. Rachel - send a listserv reminder biograds to send you their opinions on the candidates
   d. Matt - Biograds/bioprofs
   e. Nell - Contact Jan again about the account, write cheque for Elbow Lake Retreat
   f. Coco - Anything BGRS related?
   g. Jessie, Heather, Kristen, Mike, Jenna, Matt, Emilie, Hayden -
      Do anything related to your position that still needs to be done then help Ryan with the Holiday Party planning or put some stuff up on the grad bulletin boards.