

RPIRG Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
March 7th, 2008

1) **Call to Order:** 3:14PM

Chair: Erin M...

Minutes: Billy

Time: Phil

Vibes: Glenna

Meghan: Catcher-Upper

2) **Agenda:** Amendments?

3) **Go around:** How is everyone?

3.5) Article update:

- RPIRG does not endorse any official response to article. If anyone wishes to respond they can do so individually.

4) **Oxfam Application:**

- March in March seeking reimbursement. Application was in by the deadline.
- 400 dollars in reimbursements.

BIRT that RPIRG reimburse Oxfam for up to \$400 to cover costs of March in March Equality Rally

- Consensus reached

5) **Credit Card:**

- Restriction that all purchases require a cheque requisition form explaining the purpose of transaction accompanied with TWO account signers

BIRT RPIRG adopts RPIRG Credit Card Purchasing Policy (dated March 7th, 2008)

- Consensus reached

6) **Elections:**

- nominations are currently OPEN
- how many seats should we open? Keeping in mind... we are opening seats up early...
- idea of 4 board seats open at a time, and having two elections per year.
- board buddies (old board members partnered with new)

-Board Members Summer Plans – discussion

Whereas: It is important for RPIRG to maintain continuity within the Board.

Whereas: Current board of directors have only held office for 3 months.

BIRT nominations for the RPIRG board of directors be open until the 14th of March 2008.

BIFRT The following week (March 17 to March 24 at midnight, 2008) will be the campaigning period.

BIFRT The actual polling dates will be held on March 27th and 28th.

BIFRT There will be 4 seats open for nomination (Meghan, Phil, Steph, Jeanette)

-Consensus Reached

7) Conference/Travel Fund:

- consider covering registration/travelling costs rather than food/lodging....

-current application process for accessing travel funding is slow...

-RPIRG believes there is suitable demand for creation of Conference/Travel fund...

-RPIRG needs to address the issue sometime during the summer of if we should have a separate category for funding to send people to conferences, and what the logistics around it would be.

Meghan is interested in pursuing this as a summer research topic

8) Student Leadership Workshop:

-URSU is interested in sending 1-2 student leaders to a workshop in March. Shawn wants board members or volunteers to go and told us to think about it.

- 2, 3-hr seminars - March 31st and April 7.

9) Go Around: How was the meeting?

10) Next meeting in one week: Friday, March 14th at 3:00pm

4:45 - Meeting Adjourned