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1. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

1.1. To effectively advocate and program to ensure that The Ohio State University graduate student experience is the best it can be.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1. Minutes from October 17th Meeting, approved

3. TREASURER ELECTIONS (SEE RESUMES ATTACHED)

3.1. Coy.82 and Bowman.979

- David Bowers has video speech
- Jeff Green. Asks whether David Bowers will resign his position as Chief of Staff; Josh Coy(.82) answers that yes a new Chief of Staff would be appointed
- Bowers elected treasurer

4. OFFICER REPORTS (SEE ATTACHED)

4.1 President

Coy.82

- USG is doing a good job promoting the Its on Us campaign against sexual violence; look into it if you haven't yet
- If anyone would like to volunteer for mirror lake jump, contact Josh Coy(.82). There is an orientation, however.
- We're getting reports that delegates are not responding to committee chairs and ducking duties. Communication with chairs is a key component of service.

4.2 Vice President

Bowman.979

- Jorge Cham to speak at the 2015 Hayes Forum
- OSU golf course offers discounted memberships to students--\$660 for year membership

4.3 Secretary

Schunn.1

4.4 Treasurer

Open

4.5 Chief of Staff

Bowers.461

5. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS (SEE ATTACHED)

5.1.1. ACADEMIC RELATIONS

HOLLOWACZ.1

- 5.1.2. ARTS AND CULTURE DIFRANCO.33
- 5.1.3. COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH VANG.18
- 5.1.4. DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION CAMPBELL.1651
- 5.1.5. GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS TULL.20
 - Roger Anderson, happy to see progress on issue raised last meeting regarding NSF funding issues.
 - Coy.82 SAGE is writing a white paper on this issue
- 5.1.6. GRADUATE STUDENT HOUSING SKUBIC.1
- 5.1.7. GRANTS ADMINISTRATION SANDOVAL.32
- 5.1.8. HEALTH AND WELLNESS RUDERMAN.5
- 5.1.9. INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CONCERNS ANDERSON.2299
 - Promotes the international safety workshop on Monday, 24 Nov. 4:00-6:00 in the Ohio Union. OIA has orientation for all internationals, but that might have been awhile ago. While they are strong on academic/visa issues, room to supplement with info on living in Columbus/student safety.
- 5.1.10. SENATE ADVISORY KRYGOWSKI.5
- 5.1.11. SERC FAZE.6
- 5.1.12. UNIVERSITY AREA COMMISSIONER ODDEN.2
- 5.1.13. AD HOC ON CHILDCARE GAMBREL.15

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1. Any Delegate Issues and Concerns

- Dabkowski.5—a constituent asked if CGS has committee for issues for parents. Difficulty of some grad student parent have in doing research because grants/awards do not cover costs for dependents.
 - Morgan Cichon.8 This issue has come up regarding Ray Travel Award in the past. Some parents don't put down some service because they don't think it counts—volunteering at their child's school, e.g.
 - Patterson.694 Women in Science group could be a good outlet—they explore issues with parenting/careers, etc.
 - Odden.2 Not knowing much about school system/Columbus generally. Colin is chairing a UAC communications committee. If anyone wants to reach out to him about issues relating to parents and what resources parents might need in area.
 - Coy.82 SAGE had a discussion about childcare/parents on member campuses. Often not spaces on campuses for parents—SAGE is looking into it.
 - Pearson.190 Coca Cola grant available—able to use funding for child care

- Gambrel.15 constituent expressed interest in allowing grad students to leave partway through semester to pursue a career after finishing thesis defense without having to pay tuition for second half of semester—Academic Relations might look into this
 - Coy.82 comments that the tuition is paid upfront, so a refund would be needed—unlikely to fly with Grad school
 - Brewster.81 Understood that there was a deadline after defending—end of term deadline, that if met means you don't need to pay tuition for next term.
 - Odden.2 But that late defense deadline is still prior to first week of the subsequent term's classes
 - Gambrel.15 complicated if you have an appointment/grant that pays your tuition.
- Odden.2 Students in his department get 5 years of funding—five year period of funding opportunity. At sixth year, moved to a lecturer position, not a GTA, to offer some support—this was not a codified policy. Recent stipulation that lecturers cannot teach more than 1 class/term, significantly reducing take home pay. Perhaps something to include in Eugene's survey—how secure do you feel in your funding?
 - Ruderman.5 asks if this is university wide, Odden.2 responds that he is talking about only his department
 - Odden.2 takes straw poll—how many of your departments put students in a lecturer position without benefits during autumn/spring semester?
- Dabkowski.5 issue with office on international affairs requires supplementary insurance. If you go abroad you must purchase additional travel insurance—seems like no way to get out of it. Why is this required?
 - Coy.82 If you are presenting/researching under guise of OSU, they have a responsibility
 - Dabkowski.5 Constituents more ok with this if the university is funding, but less so if you have external funding.
 - Hodak.2 Similar to other mandatory fees of the University, like lab fees. There is a cap of some sort on the cost for extended stays.
 - Nugent.40 in case of students with own insurance, university has told her that they will not accept outside supplementary insurance, it must be OSU insurance.

- Odden.2 reports on Carmen outage. CIO asked CoDeLit to join a coalition of universities to create a set of information management tools rather than buy them. More will to change what tools OSU uses—outage might add further impetus to this process. CIO's office wants tools with inter-university operability.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

7.1. Autumn 2014 Semester Meetings and Special Dates

- 7.1.1.** Friday, December 5 and January 16 Executive Committee, 3:30pm, CGS Office
- 7.1.2.** Friday, January 30th 1st Spring Delegate Meeting, 3:30pm Union Senate Chambers