

Council of Graduate Students The Ohio State University **Date**: August 22, 2014 1<sup>st</sup> Autumn Delegate Meeting **Location** Ohio Union, US Bank Conference Theater

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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 July 25 Meeting. No questions, no changes. Minutes Approved

## 3. OFFICER REPORTS (SEE ATTACHED)

3.1. President

#### Coy.82

**3.1.1.** Michael and Josh working to meet with people on the GCBC recommendations

**3.1.2.** Met with Tim Gerber. GCBC. You should be getting notifications if you are on this committee. Going to help you pick the chair.

**3.1.3.** A lot of important work for the GCBC committee this year.

**3.1.4.** Met with Colin and new chair (Ryan Skubic.1) about graduate student housing and some survey stuff to get going.

**3.1.5.** Take away from the Buckeye Village meeting. They took a lot of stuff to heart and noticed the importance of this housing. It is going to be moved and so they want to start meeting about it and talking. At least as many units as there currently are now and up to 50% more.

## 3.2. Vice President

## Bowman.979

**3.2.1.**Fall delegate elections will be held in September. Accepting applications now through September 6. Elections will be concluded in time for delegates to come to September meeting.

**3.2.2.**Gambrel.15- When will vote be? Bowman.979- The voting opens the week after the applications closes.

# 3.3. Secretary

## Schunn.1

**3.3.1.**Make sure you send me anything you want on the blog/events calendar.

**3.3.2.** I will be sending out more frequent delegate news. Be sure to forward to department. Make sure you work out with your students how you will get info to them (email/Facebook/etc) so that they aren't just ignoring it.

**3.3.3.** Also check the blog/news frequently to see as things are posted and forward any relevant info to your department.

3.4. Treasurer

#### Rochman.2

**3.4.1.** For the budget some travel grants and food items need to be added but it won't change too much.

**3.4.2.** There is a lot of money left over from last year. This is not good. We want to do the programming. We need to spend the money and spend it wisely.

**3.4.3.**Delegate outreach grant- 5 delegate outreach grants have been given out.Right now is the time you want to be hitting your students so make sure you are planning things. Right now you should be hearing very quickly about your delegate outreach applications.

**3.4.4.**Put up some documents on how to plan events for the delegate outreach.

**3.4.5.**Grant postcards will be here soon and will send an email for delegates to pick up and hand out to your departments.

3.5. Chief of Staff

#### Bowers.461

#### 5. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS (SEE ATTACHED)

**5.1.1.** ACADEMIC RELATIONS

## HOLOWACZ.1

**5.1.1.1.**Committee meeting today to talk about the survey of graduate students. Going to go into programing more soon. Programs coming in the spring based off of survey. For example if a lot of TAs have problem with department then maybe do interviews of the department to understand better. No questions.

Coy.82- Reminder- as you talk to your department, make sure to impress the importance of surveys that will be going out

# 5.1.2. ARTS AND CULTURE DIFRANCO.33

**5.1.2.1.** Met someone with about Highball. Going to put some money toward but still give people a chance to go. See what feedback we get and go from there.

5.1.3. COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH VANG.18

5.1.4. DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION CAMPBELL.1651

**5.1.4.1.**Next meeting next Thursday. Going to solidify programs and have things to put out there.

5.1.5.	GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS	PENDING
5.1.6.	GRADUATE STUDENT HOUSING	PENDING
5.1.7.	GRANTS ADMINISTRATION	SANDOVAL.32

**5.1.7.1.** Please make sure you take your grant handbills to your

department. Deadline isn't until November but people are already asking how to prepare.

5.1.8. HEALTH AND WELLNESS RUDERMAN.5

**5.1.8.1.**Created a new document that lists a number of mental health resources. Wait times are unavoidable because of the big community, but there are a lot of resources in the community. Resource is in packet and on the blog.

**5.1.8.2.**Coy.82-Obama has reached out to ask Presidents to look into sexual violence on college campuses. At the meeting there were hypothetical scenarios on what would you do in each situation. There weren't good answers. There are a ton of resources but sometimes this can make it confusing to not know where to look. Maybe

solidify to one stop shop. We would like to talk about graduate students who do not feel comfortable speaking up about sexual harassment from professors because it could affect their career.

**5.1.8.3.**Ruderman.5- Will write up something about resources. Also she is on the sexual assault committee if you have any questions in general.

# 5.1.9. INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CONCERNS ANDERSON.2299

**5.1.9.1.**If you are on the committee I will be contacting you soon to set

**5.1.9.2.**Sexual violence may be concern for international students because they don't know the culture.

**5.1.9.3.**Going to be meeting with OIA, but it is a busy time so will be meeting with them in September.

## **5.1.10.** SENATE ADVISORY

## KRYGOWSKI.5

**5.1.10.1.**Still looking for people to be down as senator alternatives. Brewster.8- when are the meetings? Coy.82- On the calendar on the website. Green.1627-Do you need to be a delegate? Coy.82-No

## 5.1.11. SERC

## FAZE.6

**5.1.11.1.** There is an upcoming environmental forum and discussion. You will get a flyer next week about it.

# 5.1.12. UNIVERSITY AREA COMMISSIONER ODDEN.2

**5.1.12.1.**The zoning request has passed zoning and will go to city

council.

up meeting

**5.1.12.2.** Met with senior VP and topics were what will happen to Buckeye Village. Athletics is being encroached on. Conclusion- Buckeye Village is not unique to just our campus and they want to keep it but they are still considering different locations.

**5.1.12.3.**Second issue was general questions about graduate student housing. As proposed the south campus will not be affordable. Nothing is targeting graduate students, what is the university doing? The sophomore rule will suppress the demand for housing. So we urged planning to keep graduate students in mind for these areas if we can follow some guidelines.

**5.1.12.4.**The web survey is going to be very important to understand the housing needs.

**5.1.12.5.**Oti.4- What is the sophomore rule? Odden.2- Sophomores will have to live on campus or in approved housing. This means more students coming into the dorms.

# **5.1.13.** AD HOC ON CHILDCARE GAMBREL.15

**5.1.13.1.**Looking into different options for students who have children or who may be having children.

**5.1.13.2.**Looking into forum by the society for women in physics. Looking into using that and helping broaden and promote it.

**5.1.13.3.**If there is not enough out there then we will look into it and understand the need.

## 6. NEW BUSINESS

## 6.1. Any Delegate Issues and Concerns

**6.1.1.**Odden.2- COTAlit- Institutional data policy- Their number one issue for the coming year is to look into this policy. We don't need to take it any further for now but just need to watch it.

**6.1.2.**Fuller.308- Chemical engineering- very close to high street. Due to the construction they have taken away the parking. Many times people need to come in middle of night and this highly unsafe. Closest parking is at the stadium. There is no parking available now near the department.

**6.1.3.**Coy.82- No shuttle? Fuller.308- No. Coy.82 Josh will talk to transportation and parking.

**6.1.4.**Debcousticky.5- Is there any update on the COTA situation? Coy.82-That was passed on to Brian and there are no updates.

6.1.5.Coy.82- At 530 at Woody's there is happy hour if you want to join.

**6.1.6.**Coy.82- One thing ran into. There are a lot of questions about unionization. If you have constituents asking- We have shared governance, but we don't fit in the union role. We don't represent students contractually.

# 7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 7.1. Autumn 2014 Semester Meetings and Special Dates

- 7.1.1. Friday, August 29<sup>th</sup> Autumn Grad Prof Picnic, 5:30pm Faculty Club
- 7.1.2. Friday, September 5<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee Meeting, 3:30pm, CGS Office
- **7.1.3.** Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Autumn Delegate Meeting, 3:30pm Union Senate Chambers