Present: **:** e alexander, Pranav Ambardekar, Jacky Anderson, Luke Andrejek, Selasi Attipoe, Tyler Beauregard, Aaron Beczkiewicz, Om Prakash Bedant, Jessica Blackburn, Mary Byrne, Qiuchang (Katy) Cao, Yu-chun Chang, Alec Clott, Katherine Conner, Paul Consiglio, Austin Cool, Archit Datar, Ty Drayton, Benjamin Duran (ALT), Story Edison, Kat Ellis, Micheline Fahrbach, Elizabeth Galko, Jahmour Givans, Lindsey Hernandez, Kathryn Holt, Lauren Howard, Sarah Hyman, Kevin Ingles, Jeffrey Kast, Carly LaRosa, Yifan Li, Ruonan Lin, Stephen Lo, Madeleine Lomax-Vogt (ALT), Emily Lundstedt, Raven Lynch, Lucas Magee, Tori Magers, Matthew Maynard, Rohit Mukherjee, Aviva Neff, Ryann Patrus, Mark Pauley, Kelsey Pinckard (ALT), Avi Pokala, Miguel Pedrozo, Maritza Pierre, Zeltzin Reyes, Marie Rineveld, Ashweta Sahni, Conner Sarich, Erik Scaltriti, Lena Schreiber, Michelle Scott, Sarah Scott, Utkarsh Shah, Shruthi Shetty, Karla Shockleymccarthy (ALT), Preeti Singh, Sundeep Siripurapu, Ryan Slechta, Kye Stachowski, Lindsey Stirek, Philip Tice, Taylor Tomu, Jorge Torres Espinosa, James Uanhoro, Mitch Vicieux, Leila Vieira, Derek Walton, Sarah Walton, Daniel Williams, Yu Lun Wu, Piao Yang, Soroush Zamanian, Megan Zib

Absent: Ali Asghari Adib, Andrew Borst, Steph Charles, Min-Seok Choi Jorge Clavo Abbass, Robert Dahlberg-Sears, Brandon Free, Jenna Greve, Audrey Hungerpiller, Pouya Kousha, Arsh Kumar, Jungmin Lee, Ho-chieh Lin, Eric Loria, , Kate Ormiston (Connor Mahler), Alejandro Otero Bravo, Tricia Oyster**,** Ken Poland, Isaac Reynolds, Priscila Rodriguez Garcia**,** Melika Shahhosseini, Nithya Sivashankar, Nicole Tchorowski, Jennifer Valdez

1. **CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 3:42pm**
   1.1. **Statement of Purpose**
      1.1.1. To effectively advocate and program to ensure that the Ohio State University graduate student experience is the best it can be.

2. **ROLL CALL**
   2.1. **Carmen log-in**

3. **Guest Speakers from University Offices**
   3.1. **Office of Distance Education and eLearning (Liv Gjestvang.1)**
      3.1.1. Suicide is the 2nd leading cause of death among young people aged 16-19 and many people who have mental health concerns are not seeking any help.
      3.1.2. OSU launched a new wellness app as part of the Digital Flagship Initiative. The Suicide Prevention Task Force started working on the conceptual development of this app last summer. The project was driven by direct discussion and feedback from students about issues and experiences accessing mental health help and resources on campus.
      3.1.3. The app has several features: An "Explore" tab that features content that will change and update to be relevant. The "Support" tab is designed to address specific concerns that students might experience and then directs them to the appropriate resources (out of 130 possible options) on campus. The "My Wellness" tab allows students to add goals and track their progress. Finally, there is a "My Crisis" tab with direct contact information for helplines and immediate help.
      3.1.4. Questions from delegates:
         • Khamees.5 asked how the office is getting the word out effectively, especially with the stigma associated with getting mental health help.
            • The ipads given to undergrads are preloaded with this app and all students can either choose to use it or not. The team is focusing on spreading the word about the app through student leadership in order to make grad students aware of it as well.
         • Clott.1 asked whether this app can address the unique needs of graduate students.
            • Because the app is personalized, students are identified as graduate students

when they log in and can be shown different content. This content does not currently exist, but this is something that the team is interested in working on.

- Pauley.66 asked what the financial contribution from the university was to develop this app in relation to the potential cost of adding more personnel to Counseling and Consultation Services, which has been under-staffed for years.
  - The development team came from OSU and the cost of the project was essentially zero because of a partnership through the university.
- Shah.1285 asked if the team can share future numbers with CGS about how this app is being used.
  - Yes, ODEE will likely publish a report about usage of the app with whatever data can be publicly shared.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1. Minutes from January 10, 2020

4.1.1. Beauregard.13 motioned to approve the minutes.

4.1.2. Motion was seconded by Givans.2.

4.1.3. Minutes approved.

5. OFFICER REPORTS (as submitted in Delegate Meeting Packet)

5.1. President (Post.144)

5.1.1. On April 4th, CGS is participating in the "Out of the Darkness" walk to engage and support people affected by suicide. CGS is a well-being sponsor and contributed financially to this event. Additionally, CGS has a team that will walk together. Please join the CGS team by signing up even if you can't be there in person (the website will ask if you want to donate but there is no need unless you want to).

5.1.2. The Presidential Search Committee is hosting an open forum next week on February 11th at 6:30pm to gather information about what the search committee should be looking for in potential candidates. This forum is open to all graduate and professional students. You can also give feedback and make nominations on the Board of Trustees website.

5.1.3. Haynes.242 and Post.144 met with Dave Wiseley (Chief Financial Officer for Student Life) about the issue of grants reimbursement timelines. They also discussed possible places to find additional funding for grants in the future.

5.1.4. The Graduate School is crafting an honor code and wants input from graduate students. Feedback or ideas about this should be sent to Post.144.

5.1.5. Clint Woods recently resigned from his position as the Director of Strategic Partnerships in the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences. Last semester, CGS had passed a resolution requesting more information about his hiring and expressing concern about his environmental record.

5.1.6. The formal language of the graduate ombudsperson resolution is still being workshopped but will be presented at the February meeting of the Steering Committee. After that, it will be referred to the Rules Committee and then come back to Steering to be presented to the full Senate in March. We anticipate having this position filled by the start of the next academic year.

5.2. Vice President (Bauman.193)

5.2.1. The 2020 Hayes Forum needs proctors on the day of the event so please consider volunteering. The forum still needs judges in most categories, especially the arts – encourage faculty you know to participate!

5.2.2. Officer elections are coming up next meeting (applications are due by March 4th). Encourage your peers to run for these positions because word of mouth is the best way to fill delegate seats. Senate elections will happen at the April meeting.

5.3. Treasurer (Haynes.242)

5.3.1. We have spent just over $5,000 on food so far this year which is less than half of what was spent in all of last year ($13,000) and we have only 3 meetings left.

5.3.2. The Delegate Outreach Grant still has money left so please apply for these!

5.3.3. Funding period 4 of Ray just closed and just over 75 people applied. Applications are being judged now and winners will be notified by the end of the month.

- Zamanian.2 asked whether it is true that more hours of service makes your application stronger and why do they not ask the PI to verify that the student has done all of this service.
  - The full name of the award is the Ray Travel Award for Service & Scholarship. Service is a crucial part of the application and contributes to 40% of the final score. Both quantity and quality are considered in this section.
  - In many cases, the faculty member submitting a recommendation has no idea what service the student is involved in. There is no way to verify that all listed hours are real, but applicants must justify how they spent their time. This cuts down on false reporting. Service is defined as any activity not required as part of your graduate education and for which you were not paid.
- Lynch.189 asked how many people will be funded this period.
  - This is unclear now. It will depend on the final scores from the judges.
- Pierre.77 asked how students outside of CGS can become judges.
  - Any graduate student is welcome to serve as a judge. All they need to do is email Haynes.242 before the application deadline of any funding period.
- Scaltitri.1 asked why there are so many applications left unfinished?
  - Some decide not to finish the application because of the amount of work it requires and some don't leave themselves enough time to finish before the website closes.

5.3.4. The demographic report has now been published.

5.3.5. Haynes.242 suggested that all treasurers for the student governments should have to do formal training because handling such large budgets is difficult and has a steep learning curve.

5.4. Secretary (Light.109)

5.4.1. Funding period 4 of the Career Development Grant is closed and judging has begun. Winners will be notified by the end of the month.

5.4.2. The application window for the Global Gateway Grant is open until February 28th.

5.4.3. CGS will be hosting an awards ceremony on Monday, April 13th from 5-7pm in the Performance Hall of the Union. This event will recognize all winners of the Ray, Career Development Grant, and the Global Gateway Grant over the past year. Additionally, we will be thanking all current delegates, senators, and officers of CGS for their service this academic year and welcoming students who will be taking over these positions. Finally, we will award several CGS awards to recognize students and faculty who have gone above and beyond both within CGS and in the greater OSU community. All current delegates have been invited to this ceremony and a formal invitation is forthcoming. Please submit nominations to recognize your peers and people you work with for their dedication and service!
https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6RxXbiji8O3GcNT

5.5. Chief of Staff (Brandl.8)

5.5.1. The Buckeye Village task force is meeting next Monday at 5:30pm in the CGS Office. Anyone interested in being part of this conversation is welcome to join.

6. COMMITTEE CHAIR UPDATES (as submitted in Delegate Meeting Packets)

6.1. Health, Wellness, & Safety (Clott.1)

6.1.1. April 15th from 3-6pm is the Graduate Wellness Expo in the RPAC. There will be dental, optometry, and vaccine reps in attendance so this is a good time to make an appointment you've been avoiding. There will also be tables and information from various offices around campus.

6.1.2. The committee is working on a survey to gather information about students' concerns with traveling late at night on and around campus.

6.2. Delegate Relations (Sarich.6)

6.2.1. Our first annual winter party was last month, and it was a really fun time. This is likely an event we want to

repeat in future years.

6.3. Diversity & Inclusion (Davis.5688)

6.3.1. USG, IPC, and CGS have been working together on a Diversity and Equity campaign. The campaign has been launched on our Twitter and Facebook pages. We are waiting on a final cut of the video from WOSU and then that will be posted as well.

6.4. Government Relations (Lomax-vogt.2)

6.4.1. Last day to register to vote in the primary election is February 18th.

6.4.2. Rob Dorans (Columbus city counselor) will be hosted on campus February 19th around lunchtime. Stop by Page Hall to meet him and grab some food.

7. SPECIAL ORDER ITEMS

7.1. Delegate Concerns

7.1.1. Lo.208- There is circulating petition urging the Career & Counseling Services office to offer urgent walk-in services. This will be discussed at a meeting next week of the Mental Health task force. Please sign the petition if you are able.

7.1.2. Datar.10 asked if there is an upper limit to what Lyft can charge students for rides. With the partnership, drivers are not supposed to sur-charged during busy times, but students have experienced much larger ride fees than what has been advertised.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1. Resolution 1920 SP-009: A Resolution Calling for the Expansion of Automatic External Defibrillators on Campus

8.1.1. Beauregard.13: The number one predictor is survival during a cardiac arrest is the time to apply and use a defibrillator. Less than 20% of the 631 buildings on campus have even one defibrillator. Even in buildings that have one, it was difficult to find and was not known about by people who work there.

8.1.2. **Questions:**
- Pierre.77 asked if it would be good to include a mandatory training component as part of this resolution, especially if people are not familiar with how to use them.
  - Beauregard.13 answered that there is AED training available on campus through the RPAC.
  - Edison.22 pointed out that each AED has very clear instructions.
- Drayton.18 asked if there are any other laws or building codes that require an AED.
  - The answer is yes for federal buildings but not for state buildings.
- Haynes.242 asked if there are any legal protections for anyone who uses a defibrillator incorrectly or harms someone.
  - You are protected by both Ohio and federal law.

8.1.3. **Discussion:**
- Uanhoro.1 suggested that it would be good to add an amendment that asks for AEDs on public transportation on campus as well.
  - Beauregard.13 rejects friendly amendment suggestion because he thinks it will be asking for too much and the university won't comply.
- Beauregard.13 proposes an amendment to Line 47 to replace "in the lobby" with "near the main entrance"
  - Amendment passes.

8.1.4. Clott.1 moves to vote on the resolution.

8.1.5. Seconded by Shah.1285

8.1.6. Resolution passes

8.2. Act 1920 SP-006: An Act Establishing the 2020-2021 Delegate Apportionment for the Council of Graduate Students

8.2.1. Bauman.193: These numbers are based on a report provided by the graduate school. This act mainly focuses on changing names of delegate seats whether the program names have changed and removing seats for departments that no longer exist.

8.2.2. **Questions:**
- Drayton.18 asked why "Engineering Education" has been changed to "Engineering

Administration; Engineering Education; Global Engineering Leadership" as these two additional programs are online-only masters programs and are not housed under the Department of Engineering Education.

- Williams.6571 asked why Wooster is not listed as a regional campus.
  - OSU does not consider Wooster a regional campus and so they do not get their own seat as the other campuses do.
- Blackburn.243 asked if the numbers are accurate because her department (Anatomy) has more students than is listed.
  - The numbers are taken from a report assembled by the Graduate School.
- Uanhoro.1 asked if the regional seats are ever filled.
- Williams.6571 asked why there is a cap of 4 delegates for all departments.
  - Per our by-laws, we can only have 150 seats total but using this met. We cannot go over 12 seats total for any department but the number of seats allotted is based on the historical participation in CGS.

8.2.3. Discussion:

- Beauregard.13 motions to make an amendment to change the name of "Allied Medicine" to "Health & Rehabilitation Science MS" and keep the seat.
- Amendment passes
- Anderson.3449 proposes an amendment to change "Communications" to "Communication".
- Amendment passes.
- Sarich.6 proposes an amendment to change "Health & Rehabilitation Sciences" to "Health & Rehabilitation Sciences PhD"
  - Vieria.31 points out that this sets a precedent to give every program two seats if they have a separate masters and PhD program.
- Amendment fails.
- Holt.351 proposes an amendment to change "College of the Arts" to "College of Arts and Sciences" with subsets for the different department such as humanities, arts, math, and physical sciences.
- Amendment passes.
- Shah.1285 moves to reconsider the first passed amendment.
- Shah.1285 proposes to change the amendment.
- Shah.1285 rescinds his motion.

8.2.4. Slechta.3 motions to refer the act back to the committee and have them accept public comment before presenting it again at the next delegate meeting.

8.2.5. Motion passes.

8.3. Officer Nominations (Bauman.193)

8.3.1. Sarich.6 nominates Post.144 for President.

8.3.2. Post.144 accepts.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

8.1 Next meeting is March 6th, 2020 @ 3:30pm, Moritz Saxbe Auditorium

10. Meeting adjourned at 5:38pm.