



Delegate Meeting Agenda

Date April 18, 2014 (4th, and final Spring Delegate Meeting)
Location Ohio Union, Senate Chambers

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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 March 21st meeting

3. OFFICER REPORTS (PLEASE SEE ATTACHED WRITTEN REPORT)

3.1. President Coy.82
3.2. Vice President Crowsley.1
3.3. Secretary Lang.279
3.4. Treasurer Cichon.8
3.5. Chief of Staff Wiggins.106

4. SENATOR ELECTIONS

4.1. Senator elections (candidate CVs in separate packet) Crowsley.1

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1. CGS Award Recipients Coy.82
5.2. RES 1314-SP-018: A Resolution in Support of Amending the FY14 Budget (see attached)
5.3. Act 1314-SP-012: An Act Concerning the Clarification of Procedures and Timeline to amend the Bylaws of the Council of Graduate Students (see attached, 2nd read)
5.4. Act 1314-SP-013: An Act Concerning the Clarification of Membership and Eligibility of Elected and Appointed Positions (see attached, 2nd read)
5.5. Act 1314-AU-014: An Act Establishing a Code of Ethics (see attached, 2nd read)
5.6. ACT 1314-SP-015: An Act Concerning the Procedure to Remove an Executive Officer of the Council of Graduate Students (see attached, 2nd read)
5.7. NAGPS Membership Wiggins.106

6. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS (PLEASE SEE ATTACHED WRITTEN REPORTS)

6.1. Grants Administration Sandoval.32
6.1.1. Career Development
6.1.2. Global Gateway
6.2. Diversity & Inclusion Bryson.53
6.3. SERC Mills.532
6.4. Governmental Relations Rochman.2
6.5. Health & Wellness Deshpande.39
6.6. International Relations Dong.209

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| 6.7. Academic Relations | krygowski.5 |
| 6.8. Communications | vang.18 |
| 6.9. Ray Travel Award | Cichon.8 |
| 6.10. Senate Advisory | Pucker.1 |
| 6.11. Ad hoc Committee on Disability Studies GIS | Townsend.681 |

7. DISCUSSION

- 7.1. Any other Delegate Issues and Concerns**

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

8.1. Summer 2014 Semester Meetings and Special Dates

8.1.1. Friday, May 9, 2014 CGS Exec Committee Meeting, 3:30 pm CGS Office

8.1.2. Friday, May 23, 2014 1st Summer Delegate Meeting, 3:30 pm Senate

Chambers, Ohio Union; Inauguration of new officers

8.1.3. Friday, June 27, 2014 2nd Summer Delegate Meeting, 3:30 pm Senate

Chambers, Ohio Union

8.1.4. Friday, July 25, 2014 3rd Summer Delegate Meeting, 3:30 pm Senate

Chambers, Ohio Union

Written Reports for CGS Delegate Meeting 4/18/14

Current as of 5:00 am on 4/11/14

Officer Committee Written Reports

President/ Josh Coy.82

Success on Buckeye Village! – see blog post

Update on Grad Student Trustee search

- We have forwarded 4 names on to the Governor's office for consideration in the Student Trustee search.

Posters are in for delegates to advertise CGS elections in their dept and available at the front desk in the student government suite.

Update on Arts and Memorials Committee: lots of wonderful large art pieces have recently been selected or are in the process of being selected as part of the 1% of art

Seeking input on the creation of two new executive chair positions

-Buckeye Village Advisory

-Arts and Culture

-I will elaborate more in person

-Also would like to open the floor for discussion regarding budgeting needs/concerns for executive chairs in the 2014-15 year.

Executive Committee members have been asked to put together a year end wrap up explaining each member felt worked well this year, what programming they were able to accomplish, what they would have changed, suggestions for the future, and/or any additional information they would share with the next chair.

Vice President/ Jamie Crowsley.1

- Officer Transition Plan
 - As part of the officer transition plan, I have met with Michael Bowman (our incoming VP) and our office manager, Megan Znidarsic. These meetings are designed to give an overview of both the CGS website and also to do some training on the management system, VP role, and elections. Our first meeting was a general overview of the website and an operational intro to the management system. Our second meeting was an overview of the management system elections systems and process for senators and delegates. Our third meeting will be focused upon the function of the O & E committee, centering on apportionment. Our fourth meeting will be about the Hayes Forum. Michael and Megan will also be joining Kerry Hodak and I for Senator election voting procedures meeting so that multiple people are familiar with the procedure.

- Hayes Forum
 - The Hayes website is up to date and largely glitch free. If anyone spots a problem/deadlink etc please email me!
 - Feedback from our Hayes Forum committee meeting will be given to Michael along with recommendations for future improvements at our forth orientation meeting
 - I am working with IT support to improve the functionality of the Hayes management system so as to enable future VPs to work more independently of IT support.
 - Hayes Forum files have all been checked, updated and are on the G drive for Michael.
 - I will be meeting with Michael to provide an orientation session on Hayes as mentioned above.

- Organization & Elections
 - O & E unanimously approved the 23 senate candidates who have applied for a senate seat. Candidate details are in a separate packet put together by Sarah (thank you!).
 - 3 Senate seats did not receive applications prior to the 04/04/2014 deadline. These were: Business, Humanities, & Math & Physical Sciences. Nominations for these 3 seats remain open up until the election itself. 2 of the 3 seats have at least 1 nominee. Business does not have a confirmed candidate yet, but we are putting a call out for candidates so hopefully business will get at least 1 nomination.
 - Standing rules for delegate elections need to be updated to reflect the semester system as they are currently based upon the old quarter system. This will be a future job for O & E under Michael.
 - Apportionment was updated on the management system prior to the delegate elections.
 - New election system: This will be an opportunity to test the functionality of the new delegate election system, and to trouble shoot it for future use.
 - Delegate elections nominations phase runs from March through to 04/14/2014. Voting commences on 04/16/2014 (number of applicants announced during the meeting). As long as no tech glitches occur, new delegates should be certified and assigned by May 2014.
 - Nominations were initially set to close on 04/07/2014. From discussions with Kerry Hodak the possibility of extending the delegate nominations period was raised. A majority vote by O & E in favor of increasing the nominations period by 1 week led to the extension of the nominations period to 04/14/2014.
 - Frequent notifications have been sent out via Sarah to delegate, exec, grad student, and GSC listservs, advertisements have been put on the website, and a request was sent to have information included in OSU weekly. Posters have been put in the office by Josh. If anyone has new ideas for ways in which information can be disseminated please email me!

- External Committees
 - These are currently filled. The end of term for current appointees is approaching. New assignments will be made by Michael.
 - The committee database on the website is currently up to date and ready for new grad student assignments.

- Member Records
 - No updates.
- Council on Student Affairs
 - Elections for next year's CSA chair should be held during the next CSA full council meeting. The chair is elected from one of the incoming student government's committee members. Voting members consist of the outgoing CSA members.
 - Josh spoke with me about Josh Ahart as a potential candidate. Josh seems like a good candidate for the position given his knowledge of student government as the outgoing VP for USG. I suggested the possibility of one of the incoming CGS committee members chairing the committee.

Secretary/ Sarah Lang.279

- Please keep sending news and events for calendar/blog
- Will be meeting with Heather Hill to help with secretary transition
- Have submitted the parental leave resolution to Faculty Compensation and Benefits Committee (FCBC), Graduate Compensation and Benefits Committee (GCBC - both Senate Subcommittees), the University Staff Advisory Council, and the Secretary of Senate. Chair of FCBC (Hogan) and Senate Steering (Lee), have already emailed about it and it is/was on the agenda to discuss at their next meetings. Received some feedback about potentially updating language of resolution to clarify it is for any parent who is receiving a new child in his/her care.
- Received some data on Presidential Fellowship Award winners over the past 10 years from Dean Herness, have requested some additional data to help us understand the patterns regarding awardees gender, race, and home colleges.
- See updates to website: <https://cgs.osu.edu/governance/2013-2014-minutes-legislation/>
- Will update constitution by end of term and hand over to Heather Hill.

Treasurer/ Morgan Cichon.8

- Ad Hoc Budget Model Review
 - The committee has finalized its report reviewing the University's budget model. The document has been submitted to the Steering Committee.
 - The report will be presented to the University Senate either at the last meeting of the academic year (April 17th) or in the Fall.

Chief of Staff/ Donald Wiggins.106

Standing Committee Written Reports

Grants Administration, Elizabeth Sandoval.32

Career Development Grant:

- April 4th was the deadline for the last CDG period of the year.
- Applicants will know the results by April 29, 2014.
- Thank you very much to the new delegates who are judging!!

Global Gateway Grant:

- Winners were alerted this week, April 14th-18th.
- A huge thank you to the new delegates who judged!!

Diversity & Inclusion Committee, Krista Bryson.53

SERC, Todd Mills.532

Governmental Relations Committee, David Rochman.2

Health and Wellness Committee, Niranjani Deshpande.39

The Relax, Refresh and Rejuvenate seminar was organized by the GH&W committee of CGS on 04/03/14. Pooja Joshi(.115), who served as a delegate and a member of the graduate health and wellness committee, proposed hosting this free seminar and took up the initiative to lead the planning and execution. Art of Living foundation is an organization that carries out several relaxation and meditation programs. These paid programs include techniques to reduce stress, to rekindle the 'spark' and in general to improve the quality of our lives.

Objective: To host a free seminar for graduate students that would serve as an introduction to some of these techniques, as well as a de-stresser event in and of itself.

Action: We got in touch with the Art of Living trainers in Columbus and asked them if they would be willing to do an introductory workshop/seminar for CGS. They agreed. We advertized it to the delegate body through news and announcements. We posted a few flyers around campus.

Outcome: The seminar was conducted Thursday, April 3, 2014. It was attended by 13 graduate students. The presenters lead us through a couple of breathing exercises, games with partners, and a meditation flow. After the seminar, most of the participants stayed back to interact with the presenters and each other over snacks.

Going forward:

- The presenters expressed willingness to conduct more such free seminars for graduate students.

- Generating enough interest among the grad-student body is something we need to work on. Thoughts/ideas are welcome!
- If students express interest in undergoing such training (the actual 5 day intensive program, which is not free) what is the possibility that CGS could subsidize the cost?

International Relations Committee, Shuai Dong.209

Buckeye Village parking fee issue. CGS has worked out with University a new parking policy at Buckeye Village. March 27th, university announced a BV-specific parking for annual fee of \$150 instead of the original \$654. This is a collective effort of the past two years work done by BV residents and CGS, we are glad to see this issue has finally received an equitable solution. Below is the detailed reports and updates since our last report.

- March 20th, Buckeye Village residents representatives and CGS representatives met with Dr. Alutto, Dr. J and Jay Kasey regarding BV parking issue. University officials were fully updated with the concerns raised against the new parking policy and the efforts we have made for the past two years.
- March 20th, This issue was brought up by BV residents and CGS representatives to University senate steering committee
- March 21th, CGS passed the resolution for BV parking
- March 26th, A group of BV residents (~30 people) and CGS representative presented the third petition to Alutto's office, ABC 6, Lantern, BuckeyeTV had coverage of this event
- March 27th, the new annual price \$150 policy was announce to all BV residents, with not changing the previous rent reduction.
- March 28th and April 9th, Buckeye Village residents and CGS representative has followed up with University regarding the policy details, items included but not limited to, the eligibility for permit and pricing for additional cars per household, event parking management, etc.
- More feed back is yet to be received.

Academic Relations Committee, Molly Krygowski.5

Communications Committee, Mao Vang.18

Ray Travel Award Committee, Morgan Cichon.8

- The application deadline for the 4th funding round was April 4th. This round there were 64 applications that were accepted for judging.
- The committee is currently in the process of judging all applications and will also discuss changes to the application to consider for next year.

Senate Advisory, Andrew Pucker.1

Ad Hoc Committee on DS GIS/Neil Townsend.681

The Ad Hoc Committee on Disability Studies held its second meeting on Monday, April 7th. Since the last meeting, committee members raised concerns about the structure and support of the GIS in

disability studies to university officials and in relevant university committees. In this meeting, committee members designed a survey for distribution to students completing the GIS in disability studies. The committee hopes to use this information to prepare its final recommendations.

Resolution 1314-SP-018

A Resolution in Support of Amending the FY14 Budget

Author: Morgan J. Cichon, Treasurer
Sponsor: The Executive Committee

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Council of Graduate Students, that the governing budget be amended to reflect FY14 estimates.

Section 2. And be it further enacted that the FY14 budget of the Council of Graduate Students be as follows:

Category	Budgeted	New Amount	Difference
<u>INCOME</u>			
Coca Cola Endowment Annual Funding	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 15,619.87	\$ 1,619.87
Coca Cola Endowment Carry Forward	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 24,794.34	\$ 4,794.34
CSA Student Activity Fee Annual Funding	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 84,988.85	\$ (11.15)
CSA Student Activity Fee Carry Forward	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,336.91	\$ (663.09)
Graduate School - Hayes Forum	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ -
OAA Ray Travel Award	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ -
OAA Ray Travel Award Carry Forward		\$ 5,269.15	\$ 5,269.15
Office of Research_Hayes Endowment	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -
Global Gateway Research Grant Program Carry Forward	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)
Global Gateway Research Grant Program Annual Funding	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
<u>TOTAL INCOME</u>	\$ 189,000.00	\$ 209,009.12	\$ 20,009.12
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
1000 President's Projects			
1100 Discretionary Fund	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
1300 Inauguration	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
<u>Total President</u>	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -
2000 Vice President's Projects			
2100 Hayes Forum	\$ 28,000.00	\$ 28,000.00	\$ -
<u>TOTAL VP</u>	\$ 28,000.00	\$ 28,000.00	\$ -
3000 Committee Projects			
3100 Executive Committee			
3110 Exec Committee Retreat	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
3120 Awards and Recognition	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -

3130 Exec Discretionary Funds	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ -
3140 Committee Projects	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 21,906.56	\$ (1,093.44)
3150 Marketing and PR	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Total Exec Committee	\$ 34,900.00	\$ 43,806.56	\$ 8,906.56
3200 Academic Relations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
3300 Grants/Awards	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
3310 Career Development Grant	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ -
3320 Global Gateway Research Grant	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
3330 Ray Travel Award	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ -
3340 Interdisciplinary Award	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
3400 Delegate Outreach Program	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -
3410 Outreach and Engagement			\$ -
3500 Diversity and Inclusion	\$ -		\$ -
3510 International Concerns	\$ -		\$ -
3600 Government Relations	\$ -		\$ -
3610 Marketing and Communications	\$ -		\$ -
3700 Graduate Health and Wellness	\$ -		\$ -
3710 SERC	\$ -		\$ -
3800 Organization and Elections	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,250.00	\$ -
3900 Senate Advisory	\$ -		\$ -
Total Committee Projects	\$ 92,150.00	\$ 111,056.56	\$ 18,906.56

4000 Office Management

4100 Copier_Copying	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ (2,000.00)
4200 Equipment	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
4300 Furniture	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ (500.00)
4400 Supplies	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
4500 Telephone	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 1,650.00	\$ -
4600 Technology	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 7,701.24	\$ 3,201.24
TOTAL Office Management	\$ 11,150.00	\$ 11,851.24	\$ 701.24

5000 Administrative

5100 Student Life Initiatives			
5110 Welcome Week	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5120 Homecoming	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5130 Spring Social and Recruitment Event	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
5140 Fall Social and Recruitment Event	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 11,000.00	\$ -
TOTAL Student Life Initiatives	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 31,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
5200 Personnel Training	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ (500.00)
5300 Meeting Refreshments	\$ 7,600.00	\$ 7,600.00	\$ -
5400 Organizational Development	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5410 Travel	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 1,500.00

5420 Membership Fees	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
TOTAL Organizational Development	\$ 17,600.00	\$ 18,100.00	\$ 500.00
Pres., VP, Sec., Treas. Parking Passes	\$ 3,190.08	\$ 3,442.08	\$ 252.00
TOTAL Administrative	\$ 42,790.08	\$ 52,542.08	\$ 9,752.00
6000 Professional Development	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ (200.00)
7000 Emergency Funds	\$ 1,709.92	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (709.92)
8000 Prior Year Encumbrances			
	\$ -	\$ 370.67	\$ 370.67
8100 Career Development Grant	\$ -	\$ 703.01	\$ 703.01
8200 Global Gateway Grant	\$ 11,000.00	\$ -	\$ (11,000.00)
8300 Ray Travel Award	\$ -	\$ 1,485.56	\$ 1,485.56
TOTAL Prior Year Encumbrances	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 2,559.24	\$ (8,440.76)
9000 Reserves	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
9900 GA Support	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 189,000.00	\$ 209,009.12	\$ 20,009.12

Section 3. And be it further enacted, that the budget be effective immediately upon ratification by majority vote.

Date Approved: _____

Josh Coy, CGS President

ACT 1314-SP-012

An Act Concerning the Clarification of Procedures and Timeline to amend the Bylaws of the Council of Graduate Students

Author: David M Rochman, Governmental Relations, Chair

Sponsor: The Executive Committee

Section 1. The purpose of this act shall be to amend the Constitution of The Council of Graduate Students (CGS) to clarify the procedural steps needed to amend the Bylaws.

Section 2. Whereas, Article XII, Section XII.1 through X.II.3 of the Constitution of the CGS currently reads as follows:

“Section XII.1: Any proposed amendment to this Constitution must be presented in writing either with the signatures of ten delegates or at the initiative of the Executive Committee at a regular meeting of the Council of Graduate Students.

Section XII.2: A copy of the proposed amendment must be sent to all delegates at least one week before the regular meeting that follows the meeting at which the amendment was proposed.

Section XII.3: An affirmative vote of two-thirds at a regular meeting following the meeting at which the amendment was proposed will be sufficient to adopt the amendment.”

Section 3. Furthermore, currently Article X, Section X.1 of the Constitution of the CGS reads as follow:

“Section X.1: The Council may enact or amend Bylaws by a simple majority vote at a regular meeting. However, any proposed amendment to the Bylaws must have been presented in writing at a prior regular meeting. Such Bylaws shall be appended to this Constitution and be available upon request”

Section 4. Whereas, in order to have both sections appear symmetrical and eliminate confusion this act will amend Article X respectfully:

“Section X.1: Any proposed amendment to the Bylaws must be sent to all delegates one week prior to a regular meeting of the Council of Graduate Students. At the regular meeting of the Council, the proposed amendment to the Bylaws may be approved by a simple majority vote.

Section X.2 These Bylaws shall be appended to this Constitution and be made available upon request

Section 5. Therefore, be it resolved that this act clarifies the established procedures to amend Bylaws.

Section 6. Further, be it resolved, the changes contained within this act, shall be effective immediately and the Constitution will be updated to reflect such a change.

Date Approved: _____

Josh Coy, CGS President

ACT 1314-SP-013

An Act Concerning the Clarification of Membership and Eligibility of Elected and Appointed Positions

Author: David M Rochman, Governmental Relations, Chair
Sponsor: The Executive Committee

Section 1. The purpose of this act shall be to amend the Constitution of The Council of Graduate Students (CGS) to clarify era sensitive wording.

Section 2. Whereas, Article IV, Section IV.3 of the Constitution of the CGS currently reads as follows:

*“Section IV.3: No student shall be denied membership in this organization on the basis of race, sex, color, national origin, religion, age, political views, **Vietnam-era** veteran status, sexual orientation, disability, or gender identity.”*

Section 3. Whereas, in order to have this section appears timely and current and to respect veterans of all conflicts, the section will read:

“Section IV.3: No student shall be denied membership in this organization on the basis of race, sex, color, national origin, religion, age, political views, ~~Vietnam-era~~ veteran status, sexual orientation, disability, or gender identity.”

Section 4. Therefore, be it resolved that this act is more time sensitive and broadly based..

Section 5. Further, be it resolved, the changes contained within this act, shall be effective immediately and the Constitution will be updated to reflect such a change.

Date Approved: _____

Josh Coy, CGS President

ACT 1314-AU-014

An Act Establishing a Code of Ethics

Author: Governmental Relations Committee

Sponsor: The Executive Committee

Section 1. The purpose of this act shall be to amend the Constitution of The Council of Graduate Students (CGS) to include a Code of Ethics

Section 2. Whereas, a Code of Ethics is necessary to maintain professional standards year to year among all elected and appointed members of CGS and to give direction to both the Executive Committee and the Organizations and Elections Committees

Section 6. Therefore, be it resolved that The Council of Graduate Students include a new Article XIII to read as follows:

Article XIII - Code of Ethics and Values

(This code is based on the work of the Santa Clara University's Associated Student Government and the Markkula Center for Applied Ethics)

Preamble

The Council of Graduate Students of Ohio State University (CGS), hereinafter referred to as CGS and the Organization, is the official body representing graduate students' diverse issues, concerns, and needs at Ohio State University. We involve students in a productive partnership in governance of the University, promote the internal welfare and unity of the student community, further the goals of our University, and respond to the challenges of our society. To these ends, CGS has adopted this Code of Ethics and Values (hereinafter referred to as our Code) to (1) live out the mission espoused in our Constitution; (2) and establish basic standards of ethical behavior for academic and professional life. A CGS representative is defined as any member of CGS acting in any capacity for the organization, including: Officers, Committee Chairs, Committee Members, Senators, Delegates, and appointed members. Every CGS representative is a signatory to the Code, which symbolizes a united pledge to abide by the Code's spirit and principles. The ten values enumerated in this Code represent ten equally-significant guiding ideals of the Organization, and delegates hold themselves and each other accountable for adherence.

Behavioral Standards and Values

1. As a CGS Representative, I value *Honesty*.

In practice, this value looks like:

- a. I express my genuine opinion on issues even if my view is unpopular.
- b. I only make promises that I genuinely believe I can keep.
- c. I disclose my affiliations with any organization or with any friends or groups that have substantial business with CGS.
- d. I abstain or recuse myself from the decision-making process in all situations when I believe that I cannot exercise impartial judgment.

2. As a CGS Representative, I value *Fairness*.

In practice, this value looks like:

- a. I seek out diverse ideas/opinions and reserve judgment until I have all of the relevant information.
- b. I treat all viewpoints with respect, even if I do not personally agree with them.
- c. I only take credit for work that I have done and acknowledge everyone who assists me in accomplishing tasks.
- d. I observe the established procedures detailed in the Constitution and Bylaws and demonstrate transparency in my decision-making process.

3. As a CGS Representative, I value *Flexibility*.

In practice, this value looks like:

- a. I am willing to re-evaluate a prior decision in light of unforeseen circumstances in order to uphold the fundamental mission of CGS.
- b. I adapt my communication style to the situation, and to accommodate the concerns of persons involved.

4. As a CGS Representative, I value *Responsibility*.

In practice, this value looks like:

- a. I seek to maintain personal integrity and the integrity of the organization.
- b. I can clearly articulate how my decision will advance the Organization's core values.
- c. I use CGS materials and resources solely for CGS-related activities.
- d. I take ownership for the decisions I make or fail to make, the actions I take or fail to take, and the consequences that result.
- e. I protect confidential information that has been entrusted to me.

5. As a CGS Representative, I value *Communication*.

In practice, this value looks like:

- a. I clearly convey messages and relay necessary information to fellow delegates as soon as possible.
- b. I ask clarifying questions if I disagree or do not understand.
- c. I actively seek feedback from a diverse range of students and promote the mission and goals of the Organization.
- d. I only act on behalf of CGS or OSU when I am authorized specifically to do so.

6. As a CGS Representative, I value *Responsiveness*.

In practice, this value looks like:

- a. I am available to all students and fellow delegates and keep them informed on CGS projects and events.
- b. I am ready to respond in a direct and respectful manner to issues that implicate the well-being, justice, and unity of our community.

7. As a CGS Representative, I value *Collaboration*.

In practice, this value looks like:

- a. I seek to work with others and divide responsibilities on tasks.
- b. I encourage new ideas and share all relevant information with others.
- c. I strive to reach a consensus that best serves the SCU community.

8. As a CGS Representative, I value *Commitment*.

In practice, this value looks like:

- a. I continue to pursue worthy goals, regardless of their difficulty.
- b. I have a clear set of objectives, a general time-frame for accomplishment, and am willing to see difficult projects through to their completion.
- c. I make every effort to recommend potential services when I am unable to fulfill a request.

9. As a CGS Representative, I value *Professionalism*.

In practice, this value looks like:

- a. I prepare for meetings by reading the necessary materials and arriving on-time.
- b. I make guests at meetings feel welcome, and devote my full attention to their presentations.
- c. I speak respectfully, without profanity or sarcasm.
- d. I approach directly those persons with whom I have a conflict or disagreement.

10. As a CGS Representative, I value *Service*.

In practice, this value looks like:

- a. I make a concerted effort to assist my peers in any capacity.
- b. I focus on the needs of the greater student body, with consideration for my own position as a student within that body.
- c. I understand my role as a CGS Representative as service to the values articulated in our Constitution.

Section 6. Further, be it resolved, the additions contained within this act, shall be effective immediately and the Constitution will be updated to reflect such a change.

Date Approved: _____

Josh Coy, CGS President

ACT 1314-SP-015

An Act Concerning the Procedure to Remove an Executive Officer of the Council of Graduate Students

Author: David M Rochman, Governmental Relations, Chair
Sponsor: The Executive Committee

Section 1. The purpose of this act shall be to amend the Constitution of The Council of Graduate Students (CGS) to strengthen and clarify the procedural steps needed to remove an Executive Officer.

Section 2. Whereas, Article V, Section 7.A of the Constitution of the CGS currently reads as follows:

“Section V.7: The Council has the authority to remove an Executive Officer only through the following procedure:

V.7.A. The written motion for such an action, bearing the signatures of at least ten certified Council delegates, must be submitted at a regular meeting of the Council.”

Section 3. Whereas, in order to have a more rigorous check on Council authority, the amended section will read as:

“V.7.A. The written motion for such an action, bearing the signatures of at least ten certified Council delegates, or an affidavit of a simple majority vote of the Executive Committee, must be submitted at a regular meeting of the Council.”

Section 4. Therefore, be it resolved that this act strengthens and clarifies the procedures of removal of an Executive Officer.

Section 5. Further, be it resolved, the changes contained within this act, shall be effective immediately and the Constitution will be updated to reflect such a change.

Date Approved: _____

Josh Coy, CGS President