



CGS Executive Meeting Minutes

Present: Blake Szkoda, Alex Wesaw, Stephen Post, Libby Bauman, Jack Brandl, DaVonti' Haynes, Daniel Puthawala, Ehsan Estiri, Rania Khamees

Absent: Sarah Light, Tracey Walterbusch, Kristyn Gumper, Kathryn Holt, Maddy Lomax-Vogt, Chris Pierce, Alec Clott, Sara Mueller, Erica Law, Bennett Whitaker, Chris Loiewski, Hannah Torma, Samantha Mcwhorter, Vibhuti Wadhwa, Ryan Slechta

1. President's Report

- 1.1. Post.144 introduces our new Parliamentarian (Rania Khamees.5) and Chief of Staff (Jack Brandl.8).
- 1.2. Bauman.193 and Post.144 have been meeting over the past few weeks to discuss committee appointments for the upcoming year. The following are already decided:
 - Szkoda.1- Senate Advisory
 - Sarah Light.109- Grants Administration
 - Kathryn Holt- Arts and Culture
 - Maddy Lomax-Vogt.2- Government Affairs
 - Alec Clott.1- Health, Wellness and Safety
 - Eshan Estiri.1- International Student Concerns
- 1.3. That leaves the following committees in need of a chair. These positions will be opened first to all CGS delegates and then to the wider student body if needed.
 - Academic Affairs
 - Diversity and Inclusion
 - Housing and Family Affairs
 - Graduate Student Affairs
 - Sustainability and Environmental Responsibility
 - Delegate Relations
 - Marketing and Outreach
 - External Collaborations
- 1.4. Post.144 met with Dr. J to get her perspective before she left as well as other admin in transition meetings. Admin are very focused on family housing issue for graduate students. Several passionate delegates who can lead this effort will be key this year.
- 1.5. Post.144 met with Union coordinator to figure out meeting times and refreshment options. We will possibly move delegate meetings to Saxbe Auditorium (Mortiz College of Law) since we have outgrown Senate Chamber. However, Saxbe is under construction throughout AU 19.
 - Szkoda.1 said we may be able to use US Bank Theater

- 69 seats still open in senate chamber. Meetings will take place to inform departments of vacancies.
- Wesaw.1 says Saxbe is hard to use. In the past, it could only be used when President Drake was coming to a meeting and that vacancies will be part of the natural flow of membership and time.

2. Vice President's Report

- 2.1. Run-off elections currently happening to fill open seats (69 in total). In the Fall, election process happens again. First week of the semester will email open departments. Bauman.193 has been emailing old committee heads to be involved.
- Post.144 added 149 but may be adding another committee.
 - Bauman.193 said some programs have multi seats and at least one is filled so not too worried.
 - Wesaw.1 suggested recruiting at outreach events using big posters detailing open seats with an easy sign-up sheet and swag.

3. Secretary's Report

- 3.1. Post.144 delivering updates for Light.109: Working on a CGS Carmen page to make roll call more efficient and to have a better platform to distribute materials to delegates.

4. Treasurer's Report

- 4.1. 2019-2020 CGS Budget Proposal
- Diversity and inclusion budget increased but because of cultural competency training (15k) and then an additional 3k for committee itself.
 - Haynes.242 says we need to spend 11K in ordering.
 - Buck-I experience is a new program partnered with USG and other govt council and is similar to Make a Wish but for OSU students who have disabilities and may not be able to do a typical Buck-I serve- possibly place for CGS support.
 - Grant funding is staying the same. Ray travel award cannot go above 45k.
 - Office and equipment are all mandatory and some costs are shared with other governments like copier in the office.
 - Student life initiatives does not need the funding since their funding has been pulled from other areas.
 - Refreshment budget will decrease based on resolution at last meeting to cut back on meal service and instead have coffee and light refreshments.
 - Parking budget cut back from 4 passes to 2. Probably won't cost 3k for 2 passes but unsure about new Campus Parc price model until July.
 - Everything else is similar or the same to last year.
 - Wesaw.1 asked about increase in organizational development from 500 to 4000. Post.144 said increase is for external collaborations committee and organizational development as well as two possible conferences (NAGPS). Also, Ohio consortium of graduate students and doing a State House Day with all the graduate councils. Wesaw.1 said a group from Illinois tried to start something like this and will forward contact to Post.144.
- 4.2. Budget goes up for vote
- 4.2..1. Post.144 asked for motion to approve budget.
- 4.2..2. Wesaw.1 informed that typically cannot hold vote unless all members see it.
- 4.2..3. Puthawala.1 makes a motion to vote electronically instead.
- 4.2..4. Motion seconded by Estiri.1.

4.2..5. Unanimously passed. Budget will be followed up with an electronic act.

5. Committee Member Agenda Items

5.1. None

6. Old Business

6.1. None.

7. New Business

7.1. Bauman.193 will be gone for a portion of the summer to do the Fuller Housing project (planned for over a year). Will be available by email and has been working past month to ensure smooth transition. Will be gone June 7 - Aug 11.

- Wesaw.1 said there is a lot to learn and things get intense towards the start of the semester
- Bauman.193 has spoken to Carrie and taking steps to get things done proactively
 - 7.1..1. Szkoda.1 moved to approve VP summer absence.
 - 7.1..2. Motion seconded by Estiri.1.
 - 7.1..3. Unanimously approved.

7.2. Post.144 shared he wants to work at Drug Enforcement Policy Center for 10 more hours a week than is required by his 25% GRA appointment. He believes it aligns with his research area of interest and would actually be a more stable/structured schedule than in the past.

- Szkoda.1 asked about other hours.
- Post.144 is doing 20 hours with student life and rest is class hours.
 - 7.2..1. Bauman.193 asked for motion.
 - 7.2..2. Wesaw.1 makes the motion.
 - 7.2..3. Motion seconded by Estiri.1.
 - 7.2..4. Unanimously approved.

7.3. Post.144 wants to meet with individual committee members to discuss agenda hours.

- Wesaw.1 asked Post.144 about classes.
- Post.144 taking 3-4 courses at 10-12 hours a week. Trying to spread out time. Plans to be here 2-2.5 more years.
- Wesaw.1 cautioned that the even 10 extra hours is a lot since a lot of times graduate council commitments go over.

8. Open Floor Announcements

8.1. June Executive Committee meeting **June 19, 2017 @ 3:30 PM**– 2088A Ohio Union

- Post.144 would like to align this meeting with executive retreat and possibly move the meeting to July if it works with peoples' schedules. Szkoda.1 and Khamees.5 thought it was a good idea.

8.2. June Delegate meeting **June 7th, 2017 @ 3:30 PM** – Ohio Union Senate Chambers

8.3. July Executive Committee meeting – Cancelled

8.4. July Delegate meeting – TBD

8.5. Estiri.1 shared an announcement: Some departments in Hagerty Hall want to host a welcome cultural event for next semester and will be reaching out to student orgs. Maybe CGS could get a table (it is free). Estiri.1 has been hired to help coordinate this event so is the best contact. Website will be up in the next week and a sign-up form

soon. 30 tables available-10 for departments and centers and 20 for student organizations.

8.6. Szkoda.1 shared that the new Dean of Arts and Sciences has been announced: Gretchen Ritter from Cornell. The college is in fiscal trouble and may be wise to meet with her and collaborate. Puthawala.1 said to send along delegates from Arts and Sciences curriculum committee.

8.7. Post.144 shared that the office of institutional equity is under new leadership. Would be a good collaboration to promote OSU inclusion and equity

9. Meeting adjourned.