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at The Ohio State University

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER** (3:30 PM)
 - 1.1. Statement of Purpose**
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** (5 minutes)
 - 2.1. Minutes from February 1, 2019**
- 3. OFFICER REPORTS** (8 minutes)

<ol style="list-style-type: none">3.1. Treasurer, Kristyn Gumper.13.2. Secretary, Hannah Torma.93.3. Vice President, Tracey Walterbusch.1	<ol style="list-style-type: none">3.4. Chief of Staff, Sara Mueller.3523.5. President, Alex Wesaw.1
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- 4. COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS** (12 minutes)

<ol style="list-style-type: none">4.1. Academic Affairs, Daniel Puthawala.14.2. Arts & Culture, Kathryn Holt.3514.3. Delegate Relations, Samantha Mcwhorter.434.4. Diversity & Inclusion, Erica Law.1774.5. Government Relations, Maddy Lomax-Vogt.24.6. Graduate Student Affairs, Vibhuti Wadhwa.214.7. Health & Wellness, Alec Clott.1	<ol style="list-style-type: none">4.8. International Student Concerns, Eshan Estiri.14.9. Marketing & Communications, Chris Loiewski.14.10. Senate Advisory, Blake Szkoda.14.11. SERC, Chris Pierce.5084.12. Governance (Ad Hoc), Ryan Slechta.34.13. Reimbursements (Ad Hoc), Sara Mueller.352
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- 5. SPECIAL ORDER ITEMS** (15 minutes)
 - 5.1. Delegate Concerns** (15 minutes)
- 6. NEW BUSINESS** (100 minutes)
 - 6.1. Officer Elections** (80 Minutes)
 - 6.1.1. Treasurer**
 - 6.1.2. Secretary**
 - 6.1.3. Vice President**
 - 6.1.4. President**
 - 6.2. Resolution 1819-SP-001: A Resolution Rejecting Changes to the Administration of Graduate Associateship** (20 minutes)
- 7. ADJOURN** (5:50 PM)
- 8. FUTURE MEETING DATES**
 - 8.1. April 12, 2019 – 4th Spring Semester Delegate Meeting @ 3:30 PM Ohio Union**
 - 8.2. May 10, 2019 – 1st Summer Semester Delegate Meeting @ 3:30 PM Ohio Union**
 - 8.3. June 7, 2019 – 2nd Summer Semester Delegate Meeting @ 3:30 PM Ohio Union**
 - 8.4. July 19, 2019 – 3rd Summer Semester Delegate Meeting @ 3:30 PM Ohio Union**



Present: Jim Evans, Eric Loria, Elizabeth De Luca, Tasha Henderson, Julius Metcalf, Linzey Rice, Melika Shahhosseini, Omotayo Adeeko, Khaled Altabtbaei, Roxana Buda, Steven Dalglish, Elliot Dhuey, Adrienne Ditommaso, Cesar Lopez-Gemelli, Kathryn Holt, Audrey Hungerpiller, Nikolaus Larsen, Madeleine Lomax-vogt, Emily Nordquist, Kate Ormiston, Christopher Phelps, Christopher Pierce, Utkarsh Shah, Vinay Chauhan, Emma Cobb, Robert Dahlberg-Sears, Hannah Dahlberg-Dodd, Leah Demko (demko.17) Demko, Prutha Deshpande, Julie Faieta, Steph Fanelli, Brandon Free, Bethany Frick, Jahmour Givans, Kevin Ingles, Elizabeth Klainot-Hess, Nariman Laal Dehghani, Carlyn Larosa, Stephen Lo, Christopher Loiewski, Samantha Mcwhorter, Rohit Mukherjee, Alejandro Otero Bravo, Tricia Oyster, Christopher Riley, Jack Rooney, Conner Sarich, Lena Schreiber, Matthew Sermersheim, Yibo Shao, Ryan Slechta, Amanda Smith, Kelsy Steele, Kyle Sullivan, Alexandra Tuggle, James Uanhoro, Aparna Unnikrishnan, Vibhuti Wadhwa, Sarah Walton, Christopher Wiegman, Marcus Ziemann, Jamie Rausch

Absent: Alyssa Chrisman, Kathrin Frenzel, Emily Callahan, Jenn Dane, Zaynab Diallo, Laurene Glimois, Nlingi Habana, Mary Hill, Neethi Johnson, Marjorie Kelley, Justin Kuric, Soumik Mandal, Becky Mayse, Aaron Murnan, Alexandra Nowak, Alexander Podczerwinski, Michael Schwartz, Prashant Serai, Shruthi Shetty, Sundeep Siripurapu, Nithya Sivashankar, John Stegall, Caitlyn Trevor, Matthew White, Eric Brinkman, Joseph Chambers, Yu-chun Chang, Adam Chupp, Kayla Gantt, Pouya Kousha, Erica Law, Erin Panczyk, Eunice Uhm, Joshua Williams, Selasi Attipoe, Om Prakash Bedant, Mark Boyce, Isabel Emanuel, Katherine Kieninger, Nicolas Lugo, Cole Robertson, Yu-Lun Wu, Soroush Zamanian, Andrejek, Quichang Cao, Ehsan Estiri

Alternate: Mercedes Chavez, Alec Clott, Symon Stevens-guille, Blake Szkoda

1. CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 3:35pm

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. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1. Minutes from January 11, 2019

- 2.1.1. Slechta.3 motioned to approve the minutes.
2.1.2. Sullivan.929 seconded the motion.
2.1.3. Minutes approved.

3. Provost presentation

- 3.1. Alicia Bertone has hit her stride in the graduate school. Morely Stone might be another good guest. He has become quite an advocate for graduate training. This is an opportunity for delegates to share their concerns. Alex has done a good job of staying connected with the Provost about emerging issues.
- 3.2. C P wonders if there is any update on the interpretation of the Fair Labor Act and its impact on graduate students. The consensus of the university is to maintain the student employee status. To continue to provide benefit without dealing with issues of time clocks. Alicia Bertone has been connecting with peer institutions. As of this morning, based on advice from Susan Basso, it look hat the status quo of treating graduate students as

student employees will continue.

- 3.3. V W wants to know if there is a possibility to form a Steering Committee for replacing Buckeye Village graduate housing. When he began the role of Provost he and President Drake spoke about this issue Buckeye Village is really a family housing opportunity. He thought we had multiple good answers to this question, but three years later there is no answer. Mike Papadakis, Jay Kasey, Dr. J, and he are all continually engaged in this and trying to find a solution. This question of whether there is a place for a steering committee is now on the table. He will send a follow-up
- 3.4. D P asks if there is also a discussion about childcare for graduate students. This relates back to the question of if graduate students are student employees. Alex has been successful in getting such data from HR for the GCBC committee to see where we are at compared to peers. It is a balance between what the marketplace is. The other piece is the benefits package. One thing they are considering on a University basis now is eldercare benefits. What we mostly are successful in doing is creating waiting lists that annoy people. The question is what capacity we can provide. Is there something in this being nearby and convenient if it is market rate? Perhaps having something subsidized is not the correct question. There has been discussion about engaging a consultant to look at this marketplace. We have also not been successful in integrating childcare as part of the curriculum. This is something he has already discussed with Don Pope Davis.
- 3.5. Metcalf.221 brings up that it might be nice for delegates to have a parking voucher for days that delegates meet. There are broader questions about parking as well. He has asked for a senior leadership meeting about out parking process. The work that we needed to do on Canon drive displaced 19,000 spaces. This put students into a different zone in the cost structure. This is a very complex thing. We
- 3.6. Dahlberg-Sears.1 is there any talk of incentivizing alternative transportation or living closer to campus. The bus pass system through Buck I.D. seems to be underutilized. We should have bike paths so that it is easier to be a cyclist. We just approved the Sustainability Institute at the University Senate. Over 600 faculty have identified themselves as doing some type of work in sustainability. There may be few other institutions in the world that has the resources we already have. One notion is making the campus a living laboratory of sustainability. We need people to understand the things that we are doing. There are a ton of opportunities.
- 3.7. Lomax-Voght.2 lives on 4th street and off campus security do not necessarily seem to be approving. We are working more on some of the secured shared ride options. We have started some partnerships with Columbus Police Department in terms of camera placement. One of the other things that the new chief is talking about is ways to lift this up. We have seen an increase in reported crimes off campus. Part of that could be increased reporting, but it may also be an increase in events. He will check with Jay Kasey and Monica Moll. She may be another good guest to bring in. Graduate students have a different safety profile.
- 3.8. DeLuca-K in the college of Public Health has a mental health person located in the college. They are a part time resource that CoPH students can see immediately, but that person's schedule fills up immediately. Is there more movement on having mental health providers placed within the colleges? Yes, but it has been checkered. The Health Sciences colleges have been leaders in this. Engineering now has imbedded people, as does CAFES. Many are shared across colleges. Two years ago, almost no colleges had an embedded person. Many students come from a place where they were receiving regular counseling. As a university, what services should we provide. An implementation committee from the Suicide Task force is now looking into resources.
- 3.9. Szkoda alt- What is the University doing to expand health insurance for students. This network is something else we are always debating.
- 3.10. K abaaalo.1 Are wellness programs something that could be mandated. Academic units across campus have different philosophies about dealing with mental health. One thing Bearn Melnick has been pushing is wellness innovators.
- 3.11. Shahhosseini.2 and other international students have had difficulty with the office of international affairs. CPT is an authorization paper for international students to find internships. Another issue is OPERS. If you ask the question, the office probably has an answer. There seems to be a lack of communication for new international students. He just met with Gil Latz, the new. One of the things they talked about were issues around international enrollment.
- 3.12. Givans.2 asks if OPERS could be opt instead of opting out since many graduate students are not from Ohio. It's

a great program if you spend your life here. That is a state law. We have been ineffective about getting this to change. The real nuisance is that we are being told we are about of compliance with all our staff who teach. The system is one of the last few public educations defined benefit type programs. It is good if you spend your career in it, but it's a labyrinth if you are here on a temporary basis.

- 3.13. Dahlberg-Sears- is there any discussion about getting rid of continuous enrollment? This is a question for the grad school dean.
- 3.14. Ingles.27the number of undergrads seems to be increasing, but GTAs are not increasing. That is something that is handled at the college and unit basis. He is starting to think about this question. This is very discipline and course specific. This year we rolled out a teaching support program for faculty. It is their intention to make this available to graduate students next year.
- 3.15. D-S motion to extend 5.
- 3.16. U- ed studies wonders if the provost could provide a written response to the questions we sent.
- 3.17. D P there has been an issue with ASC going rogue financially and having hiring and salary freezes. There has been conversation about providing some funding to graduate students. We need to have well funded programs, labs, and faculty while also not having the money to put ourselves up for that. Dean Box-S has done extraordinary work in the last seven months. We have plans for infusion of investment. The college has helped analyse their commitments.
- 3.18. T for students who need to have increased health care for medical conditions or surgeries, how can a student go about asking to increase what is covered. There is a health plan oversight committee that randy smith leads. Graduate students sit on that committee and could empower those representatives.
- 3.19. Givans.2 moves to extend by ten minutes
- 3.20. LaRosa in the grad handbook it says we may be granted u to 6 weeks for paternal leave. Could it be a minimum. This was probably addressed in the new revision. They are looking at this more broadly.

4. OFFICER UPDATES (as submitted in Delegate Meeting Packets)

- 4.1. Walterbusch.1 included a to-list at the bottom of her report. She is also opening nominations for officers now. She will be taking nominations right now. The nominations will close on March 19th. The elections will happen at the March 29th meeting. Please reach out for anymore information. Tracey will send an email out that will include the ability to indicate that you are interested. Org and elections will review the nomination and present the slate of prospective officers in advance of the meeting.
- 4.2. VW nominates Kristyn Gummper for Vice President. Sam Mc nominates Alec Clott. R-S nominates A-G but he is graduating.
- 4.3. P Nominations- Sarich 6 nominates ryan. He does not accept. R S nominates sara mueller. She accepts. Julius is nominated but delines. Sam MW nominates maddy if she is interested, she delines for this year. LaalDehghani.1 nominates Estiri.1 but he is not here. R S nominates Conner. He accepts. RS nominates Bennet he declines.

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

- 5.1. D-P there have been a number of concerns about the fiscal situation of ASC. This came from some talks that started during a department chairs meeting where they were asked to think about how they would deal with a cut to their graduate programs.
- 5.2. McWhorter.43 is the chair of Delegate Relations our delegate of the month if Kristyn who wasn't here. There are flyers for the health and wellness fair. The packet includes language to send out to delegates.
- 5.3. Maddy Lomax-Vogt as the provost discussed FLAS changes have been a hot topic. Doing a survey regarding timesheets was a part of their charge. They were also charged to write a resolution saying that they wish to remain student employees. She wants to make sure no one has an objective about changing the survey to broaden the feedback. IT would basically ask what plan they'd prefer and if there are any questions or comments.
- 5.4. CP- An email was sent earlier today with a flyer about the Olentany River Cleanup. It's a good opportunity to meet people, and also no one cleans this space. It is no ones job to clean the river banks after football games. They recommend closed toe shoes. FLOW provides waders and vests and everything else that is needed.

- 5.5. Mueller is looking for a list of stories to encourage travel reimbursements to be sent in the same pay period. Please also reach out if you have experience conducting qualitative research.

6. SPECIAL ORDER ITEMS

6.1. Delegate Concerns

- 6.1.1. StevensGuile.1 alt a concern about the parking situation at the health building. The parking under the building used to be pay per visit and has now moved to a campus parc system. It mandates prepaying which is a concern. This also creates problems with accessibility. You need an account and a smart device to prepay parking. Campus Parc is a third party that how has information about health and student information.
- 6.1.2. Moves to refer to the parking committee.
- 6.1.3. Motion passes.
- 6.1.4. Dalglisch.2 Philosophy grad students had access to a TA office and the grad school plans to repurpose this space. The communication was a problem. They were not consulted. The graduate students and faculty sent a letter to grad administration and it seemed to have little effect. The graduate advisory committee might be a place to contact the dean or we can order the officers to speak to the graduate school. They have been told not to take any action on this right now.
- Ryan moves that we form an ad hoc committee to draf a resolution opposing this administrative deiscions.
 - Julius seconds.
 - The motion pases.
- 6.1.5. Sullivan.929 wonders what is the obligation of different graduate students to show up when OSU is closed. He'd like to refer this issue to graduatstudent affairs for clarification whether graduate students should show up when nonessential personnel are required to come.
- 6.1.6. CP seconds
- 6.1.7. VW when the university was closed we received an email with a list of those who were required to report.
- 6.1.8. S there is a power discrepancy between PIs and graduate students.
- 6.1.9. Ab- from dent wonders how people are classified as essential.
- 6.1.10. The motion passes to refer to graduate affairs committee.
- 6.1.11. Ziemann.2 moves that the body direct Graduate Student affairs to look at Ray Travel and other funding award timelines. Two weeks before travel is not soon enough to know.
- 6.1.12. U- ed studies moves to extend for 5 minutes.
- 6.1.13. Holt moves to amend the motion to refer the concerns about the awards to their respective committees.
- 6.1.14. CP motion to extent 2 minutes.
- 6.1.15. Motion passes to accept the amendment.
- 6.1.16. The motion passes to move this to the individual committees.
- 6.1.17. VW moves to extend by 3 minutes.
- 6.1.18. The motion fails.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1. Resolution 1819-SP-001: A Resolution Establishing 2019-20 Delegate Apportionment for the Council of Graduate Students

- 7.1.1. Walterbusch.1 as chair defers to a member of her committee, Ryan S, to present this resolution. Using the Huntington Hill method of apportionment resulted in the apportionment which was included in the packet.
- 7.1.2. LaalDelghani wonders why some departments have only one seat. Should seats be amended based on seats that are filled?
- 7.1.3. CGS puts a premium on making sure that all graduate students are representative. Initiatively it seems that history should matter, but it is not our place to take their seat.
- 7.1.4. Metcalf.221 wonders where the numbers come form in the bylaws.
- 7.1.5. LaalCelghani wonders if next year we could set a deadline where afterwards, we could distribute unfilled seats. This would require a change to the bylaws.
- 7.1.6. Julius moves to amend by inserting the words in line 21 "all additional delegates seats to a unit of

representation will be reserved for delegates enrolled in that unit of representation."

7.1.7. CP seconds.

7.1.8. The amendment fails.

7.1.9. The resolution passes.

7.2. Act 1819-SP-002: An Act Clarifying Minute-Keeping Procedures

7.2.1. Slechta.3 explains that this is in response from the request from the body last meeting to clarify to who takes minutes in the absence of the secretary.

7.2.2. The act passes.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

8.1. February 1, 2019 – 2nd Spring Semester Delegate Meeting @ 3:30 PM Ohio Union

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9. Meeting adjourned at 5:33 pm.

TO: Council of Graduate Students, Delegates
FROM: Kristyn Gumper, Treasurer
DATE: 3/22/2019
RE: Treasurer's Report

CGS Budget

The current spending for this year (FY2018-2019) is attached below. Please let me know if you have any questions about the budget.

Committee Chairs, please remember to use an event application form for planning and budgeting for an event. Copies can be found in the CGS Office.

Ray Travel Award

Congratulations to the 22 winners of FP 4. For the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year, we were able to award 63 of the 217 (or ~30%) of applications received.

Applications for Funding Period I of the 2019-2020 are now open for travel starting between July 1st and September 31st. Application window closes May 1st. Please encourage all graduate students interested in presenting their research at a conference to apply.

Please note that the Ray Committee has changed the wording of the "Goals" section to reflect what is asked of the recommender. This is to focus on professional development goals and how the Ray Award will aid in achieving those goals instead of career goals.

Delegate Outreach Grant

We still have ~\$2000 left in this budget. This translates to 10 more delegates can apply for the grant to host an event for CGS Outreach.

<https://cgs.osu.edu/funding-opportunities/delegate-outreach-grant/> .

All the forms you need are linked above. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Parking Advisory Committee (PAC)

No movement on football weekend parking policies.

Campus parc has rolled out their proposes for the next year. They can be found on the following pages. Please look over these proposals and get back to me on your recommendations. I have summarized some of the discussion here:

- Campus Parc is proposing a phase out of the CXC parking pass subsidy by request of campus administration that was put in place to encourage C-pass holders to purchase and park in the Buckeye Lot only. This will raise the prices up to C-pass prices. I have suggested we change the parking system to an "Outer campus" and "Central campus" system so people who park and ride busses into central campus get a discount regardless of parking in Buckeye Lot or West Campus.
- Campus park proposed creating reserved parking spots available to individuals instead of just a few reserved (R) spots for departmental use. Essentially creating an A+ spot. I brought up that reserving individual spots will only create more issues with less spaces available for those who cannot afford to reserve spots like graduate students and staff.

Office of Distance Education and e-Learning (ODEE) Steering Committee

ODEE is looking for ideas on what are the opportunities for online education? What are some obstacles to overcome to encourage participation in online enrollment planning.

Are there any suggestions from CGS on what they would like to see in terms of distance education and e-Learning?

Kristyn Gumper(.1)

March 18, 2019

Council of Graduate Students

Account Balances - Budget vs. Actual

July 2018 through June 2019

	Jul '18 - Jun 19	Budget
Income		
Coca Cola Carry Forward	20,570.11	17,000.00
Coca Cola Endowment	16,211.74	16,212.00
CSA Carry Forward	3,886.77	6,252.24
CSA Student Activity Fee	79,671.23	80,325.00
Cultural Competency Training	15,000.00	
Global Gtwy	10,000.00	10,000.00
Global Gtwy Carry Forward	2,712.80	
Grad Sch.--Hayes	10,000.00	10,000.00
OAA Ray Travel	35,000.00	35,000.00
OAA Ray Travel Carry Forward	16,739.21	24,362.00
OR Hayes Endwmnt	10,000.00	10,000.00
Total Income	219,791.86	209,151.24
Expense		
1000 President's Projects		
1100 Discretionary	0.00	1,000.00
1300 Inauguration	0.00	1,000.00
Total 1000 President's Projects	0.00	2,000.00
2000 Vice President		
2100 Hayes	4,012.47	29,000.00
Total 2000 Vice President	4,012.47	29,000.00
3000 Committees		
3100 Exec		
3110 Retreat	0.00	3,000.00
3120 Awards & Rec	0.00	500.00
3150 MarCom	1,446.76	11,000.00
3100 Exec - Other	25.80	5,500.00
Total 3100 Exec	1,472.56	20,000.00
3301 Grants Admin	0.00	500.00
3340 Arts & Culture	250.00	2,000.00
3400 Del OutReach Grnt	691.51	3,200.00
3500 Div & Inclusion	0.00	6,500.00
3510 International Concerns	0.00	1,000.00
3610 Ray Trv Grant Adm	0.00	500.00
3611 Ray Award Receptions	0.00	3,000.00
3700 Grad H & W	0.00	3,000.00
3710 SERC	0.00	1,000.00
3800 Org & Elect	87.96	500.00
3000 Committees - Other	0.00	6,500.00
Total 3000 Committees	2,502.03	47,700.00
3300 Grants Admin Funds		
3310 Career Dev	6,742.86	14,000.00
3320 Global Gtwy	6,300.75	10,000.00
3330 Ray Travel Award	10,881.94	50,000.00
Total 3300 Grants Admin Funds	23,925.55	74,000.00
4000 Office Equip		
4100 Copier	0.00	500.00
4200 Equip.	0.00	400.00
4400 Supplies	0.00	1,000.00
4500 Telephone	446.00	1,650.00
4600 Technology	5,208.00	8,500.00
Total 4000 Office Equip	5,654.00	12,050.00
5000 Administrative		
5100 Student Life Init.	0.00	1,000.00

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Account Balances - Budget vs. Actual
July 2018 through June 2019

	Jul '18 - Jun 19	Budget
5300 Mtng. Refreshments	7,791.10	13,188.44
5400 Org. Dev.	0.00	500.00
5410 Travel	0.00	8,000.00
6000 Prkng Passes	2,085.12	5,212.80
5000 Administrative - Other	0.00	0.00
Total 5000 Administrative	9,876.22	27,901.24
8000 PY Encum		
8100 Career Dev.	1,141.03	500.00
8300 Ray Travel Award	5,389.37	16,000.00
Total 8000 PY Encum	6,530.40	16,500.00
Total Expense	52,500.67	209,151.24
Net Income	167,291.19	0.00

TO: The Council of Graduate Students, Delegates
FROM: Hannah Torma, Secretary
DATE: 3/21/2019
RE: Secretary's Report

The Global Gateway Grant (GGG) judging is almost complete and final decisions should be made by the end of the month. Period 4 of the Career Development Grant (CDG) is complete. Funding Period 1 of the 2019-2020 year of the CDG will close May 1, 2019. I encourage you to consider judging or applying for the CDG. Please contact me at Torma.9@osu.edu if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,
Hannah

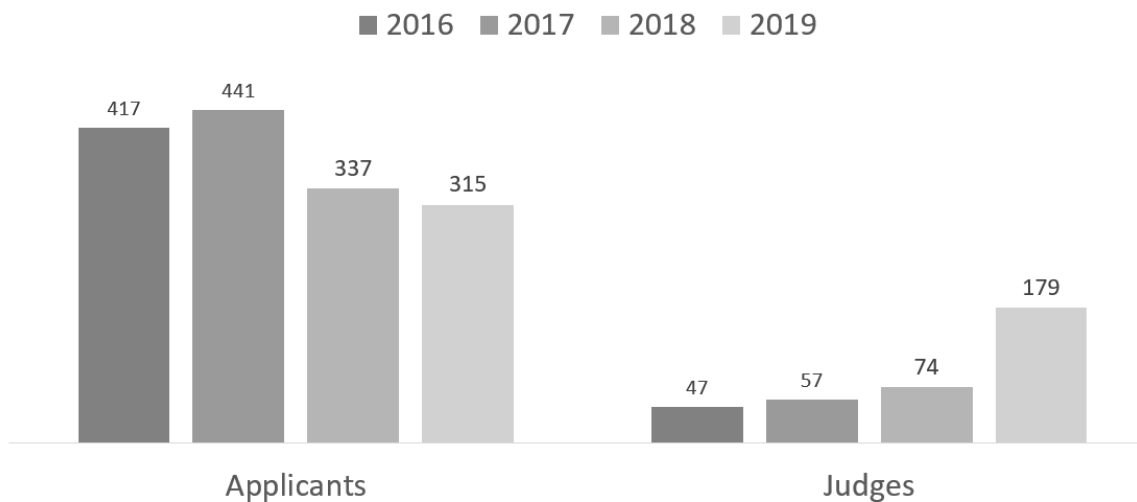
TO: Council of Graduate Students, Delegates
FROM: Tracey Walterbusch, Vice President
DATE: 3/22/2019
RE: Vice President's Report

Vice President Report

Hayes Forum: Hayes Forum was on March 1, 2019

- Thank you to everyone who volunteered. Thank you especially to my all-star committee who helped with the event: Lindsey Brown, Julie Faieta, Sara Mueller, Christopher Riley, Tayo Adeeko, Katie Quichang Cao, Tricia Oyster. I could not have done it without the help of each of you!
- Thanks to everyone's help we were able to increase the number of judges this year exponentially. We also had an attendance rate of the judges that skyrocketed from 47% to 91% this year!

Edward F. Hayes Forum Participation



Committee Information:

- Reminder—if you have been assigned to an external committee, please be certain to fill out a committee report by the 31st of each month: <https://bit.ly/2TPteX2>

Slack:

- For full updates, be certain to access slack http://go.osu.edu/cgs_slack

Senator Elections:

- Nominations are open for Senators. If interested, please apply on our website. The elections will be at the next CGS Delegate Body Meeting.
- Please note, there will not be speeches of the senators during the next meeting. If you are interested in talking with any of the candidates, please either e-mail them or come at 3:00 PM before our next delegate meeting to get more information from each candidate.
- On the day of the election, Delegates will receive one ballot with all candidates and will be asked to vote for the candidates they wish to serve. We will elect 10 Senators. In the case of a tie, the CGS President will be the tie breaker.
- Organization and Elections would like to present a slate of candidates to you:
 - Richard Broshious.4
 - Blake Szkoda.1
 - Isaac Reynolds.992
 - Sayan Mandal.25
 - Gala Korniyenko.1
 - Travis Klingler.71
 - Fahd Jehangir.2
 - David Hibler.10
 - Bethany Frick.70
 - Coraline Farinas.1
 - Ehsan Estiri.1
- Their application materials will be uploaded in the next week to this buckeye box location: <https://osu.box.com/s/wumqcmncdv1e6kgm8mx2m8b2othjvho>

Officer Election

- Elections for Officers will be occurring slightly differently than in the past years.
- Each candidate will be given 10 minutes to present.
- After each candidate for the seat has given their presentation, a question and answer period will begin. If a question is asked, the delegate asking the question will be given 1 minute to ask the question. The respondent will be given 1 minute to respond to each question. The time given to each will be as follows (Note- these are maximums and therefore cannot be extended)
 - Treasurer – TBD- Max 3 minutes per candidate
 - Secretary - 3 minutes
 - Vice President -15 minutes
 - President- 10 minutes
- After the question and answer period, a paper ballot will be sent around for each individual candidate by our Chief of Staff Sara Mueller.
- The candidates are as follows and speeches will take place in the following order. Their application materials will be uploaded in the next week to this buckeye box location: <https://osu.box.com/s/wumqcmncdv1e6kgm8mx2m8b2othjvho>
 - Treasurer
 - Nominations are still being accepted
 - Secretary
 - Sara Light.109

- Vice President
 - Libby Bauman.193
 - Josh Grashin.1
 - Donna Rutledge.119
- President
 - Stephen Post.114
 - Conner Sarich.6

Action Items:

- ☐ **Submit External Committee Report:** <https://bit.ly/2TPteX2>
- ☐ **Review Senator Information Above**
- ☐ **Review Officer Election Information Above**

To: Council of Graduate Students, Delegate Body
From: W. Alex Wesaw, President
Date: March 22, 2019
Subject: Monthly President's Report

Visit During Delegate Concerns

At our upcoming meeting, on 3/29/19, Dean Bertone will be visiting during our Delegate Concerns portion of the Delegate Meeting. She requested to hear what was going on as well as to make a few remarks herself. Please make sure to bring concerns so that the Dean of the Graduate School can hear them directly from you.

University Research Committee Follow Up

Earlier this year, CGS passed a resolution calling on the University Senate to not remove one of the graduate student seats on the Senate's University Research Committee and to add a professional student seat. I am happy to report that the Senate has listened to our request and will maintain the two graduate student seats and will add a professional student to the committee along with a few additional faculty seats.

Resolution for Consideration

At this meeting, we will be considering a resolution that rejects changes to the way GAAs and GRAs are administered by the University. I'd like to thank Maddy Lomax-Vogt and the members of the Government Relations team for drafting the resolution and conducting the brief survey to assess the preferences of the delegates.

Elections Are Here!

At this meeting you will be electing new officers to lead CGS next year (starting May 6, 2019 officially). I'm excited to work with whomever is elected to ensure that there is a smooth transition. It has been a privilege to serve as CGS President for two years now. Thank you for that privilege!

I hope that if you have concerns that you will feel free to visit me in the CGS Office (2088A Ohio Union) or send me an email (wesaw.1@osu.edu).

Alex

TO: Council of Graduate Students, Delegates
FROM: Daniel Puthawala, Academic Affairs Committee Chair
DATE: 3/20/2019
RE: Academic Affairs Committee Update

ASC Dean search going well, finalist candidates were brought to OSU for visits in February.
Negotiations are ongoing between OAA and the colleges regarding the new GE.
COAM needs more graduate student representatives. If you or someone you know would be interested, please have them send their name along to Daniel Puthawala.1 and Tracey Walterbusch.1.

Best,

-Daniel

TO: Council of Graduate Students, Delegates
FROM: Kathryn Holt, Arts & Culture Committee Chair
DATE: 3/21/2019
RE: Arts & Culture Committee Update

We successfully completed a lottery for Ballet Met's *Don Quixote* on March 3, so thank you to everyone who entered and passed the information around. We are currently working on setting up a final lottery for the Department of Theatre's production of *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime*, which will happen near the end of April, so keep an eye out for the announcement. We are also working on setting up a pop-up performances and a painting workshop which will happen in mid-late April, so keep an eye out for those as well.

I also want to remind everyone to please check out our website, follow our Facebook and Twitter accounts, and share them with your constituents. The website is u.osu.edu/cgsartsandculture, our Facebook is www.facebook.com/CGSArtsandCulture, and our Twitter is @CGSArtsandCulture. These platforms include information on our sponsored events, as well as arts and culture events on and around campus and student spotlights featuring the work of graduate students in the Arts and Humanities. If you know someone you would like to nominate for the student spotlight, please contact me at holt.351@osu.edu.

Thanks,
Kathryn

TO: Council of Graduate Students, Delegates
FROM: Maddy Lomax-Vogt, Government Relations Chair
DATE: 3/21/2019
RE: Government Relations Committee Update

The Government Relations committee worked on a resolution supporting the current system by which the university administers our graduate stipends and benefits.

Maddy

TO: Council of Graduate Students, Delegates
FROM: Vibhuti Wadhwa, Graduate Student Affairs Committee Chair
DATE: 3/21/2019
RE: Graduate Student Affairs Committee Update

1. "U got this" - training: My committee will drop this issue due to lack of feedback from the delegate body.
2. Establishing residency status for tuition purposes: The policy on the matter is here: <https://registrar.osu.edu/Residency/index.html>. Since the University did not set up this policy, this is beyond my committee's jurisdiction, and therefore I would like to direct this issue to Government Relations Committee.
3. Childcare services for graduate students who are parents: Please see below brief summary of the findings by the committee members. My committee also feels it would be beneficial to conduct a university-wide survey for students with families and hopefully gain insights that can govern actions. We are looking for input on how detailed this survey should be and the best practices to conduct one.
 - a. Tyler Beauregard:
Child-care services options may be largely inaccessible to graduate students due to cost. While government assistance for these costs exist, it is unlikely that our students would qualify. Graduate students (and even faculty) frequently solicit child care services from students that they teach. There is also a lack of short term drop off care.
 - b. James Uanhoro:
Important links: <https://hr.osu.edu/child-care-program/>
Fees are unaffordable for graduate students and can cost upwards of 20% of a graduate student stipend. A need-based grant after child birth could help relieve some burden for new parents.
4. Policy on Essential and Non-essential employees:
<https://hr.osu.edu/wpcontent/uploads/policy615.pdf>

TO: Council of Graduate Students, Delegates
FROM: Blake Szkoda, Senate Advisory Committee Chair
DATE: 1/24/2019
RE: Senate Advisory Committee Update

The senate advisory committee had its first full meeting today just prior to the Jan 24th university senate meeting. 8 out of 10 senators were in attendance, the others had reasonable reasons for being absent. Everyone was reminded of their job responsibilities at this meeting. In short, those responsibilities are that all senators are expected to attend 1) CGS meetings 2) senate meetings and 3) their assigned committee meetings. If they cannot attend, they are to send an alternate and let me and applicable secretaries know. This applies to all aforementioned meetings. Senators must also submit monthly reports to Hannah and I describing what they have done that month and any key items from their assigned committees.

For the month of January, I received all 10 senator reports in a timely manner. They are attached to this email. Please include all of them in the delegate packet for the Feb 1st meeting.

Here is what I distilled from these reports/found important. The CGS officers can make these discussion topics at the next meeting at their discretion:

- Chris Pierce has what may be important updates from the Senate Fiscal committee on CampusParc as well as changes to Buckeyelink ("workday").
- Nicolas Lugo has confirmed in his report that the Rules Committee approved the Research Committee's change in membership proposal which increases membership to 21 voting and 4 non-voting members. The two graduate student voting seats will remain unchanged. The proposal has been sent on to senate steering committee for approval. <-this pertains to our recent resolution. Yay!
- Jule Dentzer solicits your feedback on what your depts. needs are for web conferencing and Carmen. Oh and if you get sketchy emails forward them to report-phish@osu.edu
- please fill out the delegate of the month google form for Sam McWhorter. The link to the form is in slack. Email her or myself if you need help with Slack.

This concludes my report, please let me know if there are questions.

Blake Szkoda

TO: Council of Graduate Students, Delegates
FROM: Alec Clott, Health and Wellness Committee Chair
DATE: 3/21/2019
RE: Health and Wellness Committee Update

The Health & Wellness committee just hosted its Spring Wellness Fair on (3/20). We had free snacks and food, mini-fitness demonstrations, and tons of prizes in a raffle (including a Fitbit, local gift cards, wellness baskets, and more). There were tables and representatives on behalf of all the resources and services offered at OSU:

- Counseling and Consultation Services
- Career Counseling and Support Services
- Student Health Services
- Student Health Insurance
- Student Wellness Center
- Student Legal Services
- Psychological Service Center
- RUOK Buckeyes
- Multicultural Center
- Rec Sports

Thanks to everyone who volunteered to help and to the members of the H&W Committee!

Best,
~AC

TO: Council of Graduate Students, Delegates
FROM: Chris Pierce, SERC Chair
DATE: 3/21/2019
RE: SERC Update

SERC Update

1) Spring Trash Pick Up outing

Thanks to all who came out! We hope to schedule a similar event for late spring/early summer.

2) New Lab Sustainability Promotion

- a. SERC is working with FOD to try to better understand campus wide water use. We have already connected FOD with grad. representatives from several departments, however we are still looking for more students to answer simple questions about lab spaces from the following buildings

- i. Dreese
- ii. Kottman Hall

E-mail pierce.508@osu.edu if you work in those buildings or have any other questions.

Name and Senate Seat: Blake Szkoda, Biological Sciences

Committee(s) you are on: CGS Executive Committee, CGS Senate Advisory Committee (Chair), CGS Academic Affairs Committee, Senate Graduate Compensation and Benefits Committee, Senate Council on Academic Affairs, Council on Academic Affairs/Graduate School Sub-Committee

January Meetings Attendance Record:

CGS Delegate Meetings

February 1st Meeting: Jenna Greve(.41), PhD candidate, Biochemistry, attended as Blake's alternate.

University Senate

February 28th Meeting: Attended

March 28th Meeting: Will Attend

CGS Executive Committee

February 15th Meeting: Did not attend due to lab meeting (class) conflict.

March 8th Meeting: Did not attend due to experiments

CGS Senate Advisory Committee

No meetings held

CGS Academic Affairs Committee

No meetings held

Senate Graduate Compensation and Benefits Committee

February 7th Meeting: Attended

March 28th Meeting: Will Attend

Senate Council on Academic Affairs

February 20th Meeting: Attended

March 6th Meeting: Attended

March 20th Meeting: Attended

Senate Council on Academic Affairs/Graduate School Sub-Committee

February 11th Meeting: Attended

March 4th Meeting: Did Not Attend, traveling

March 18th Meeting: Attended

Summary of important activities from your committees, and anything important that you feel should be added to the CGS agenda/that delegates should know about:

Copies of recent CAA proposals can be found here if anyone is interested:

<https://oaa.osu.edu/2018-19-caa-meetings-and-proposals>

The main topic discussed in CAA that I'd like to bring to everyone's attention is the progress on changes to the undergrad's general education curriculum. The new GE model is currently being reviewed by the College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee. They will review and make final suggestions in a meeting on Friday March 22nd. At that point, the GEs will have been looked at/approved in principle by all 12 undergraduate colleges. That version will then come to the CAA for approval that our April 3rd meeting. If the CAA approves this GE model, it will then be voted on at the University Senate Meeting on April 18th. If the GEs pass the university senate, they will be implemented Fall 2021, full stop. Details on how the new structure would actually be implemented are still in the works. If you have any final opinions/concerns about the GEs, please let me know. I have a copy of the version that the ASC curriculum committee will review. If you would like to look at it please email me at Szkoda.1@osu.edu.

One of the reasons the GEs will not be implemented until FL2021 is due to changes in "workday" coming at that same timeframe. "workday" refers to the buckeyelink interface, and essentially the entire university HR system behind it. All of that is going to look very different come 2021. If you would like to be on a committee that is part of the discussion on those changes, email Jack Miner.10 at the registrar or Eric Bielefeld.6, the chair of CAA.

Finally, the Provost should announce who the next Executive Dean and Vice Provost of the College of Arts & Sciences will be soon. All the on-campus interviews for the position's finalists are complete, he is reviewing the feedback forms.

The provost will also give a "state of Academic Affairs" speech at the next University Senate Meeting on March 28th.

Name and Senate Seat: Ayush Arpit Garg, College of Engineering

Committee(s) you are on: Committee on Academic Misconduct (COAM)

December Meetings Attendance Record:

CGS Delegate Meetings

Feb Meeting: Attended the meeting

Mar Meeting: Will attend this meeting

University Senate

Feb Meeting: Attended this meeting

Mar Meeting: Will attend this meeting

Committee on Academic Misconduct

No formal meetings for this university wide committee but only have to preside over hearings based on case volume

Summary of important activities from your committees, and anything important that you feel should be added to the CGS agenda/that delegates should know about:

Nothing big to add from the case hearings, they are anyway confidential, and cannot be discussed. If you would like specific information or thoughts, concerns, and/or ideas that the delegates would like to talk about, plz let me know, I will be happy to listen to their thoughts and come up with viable solutions.

Chris Pierce- Math and Physical Sciences

Senate:

Attendance:

9/20/18: Attended

10/25/18: Attended

11/29/18: Attended

2/28/19: Attended

Fiscal Committee and College Finances Subcommittee Update:

Continuing to develop budget model. Focus areas included smoothing the costs of upcoming energy and infrastructure spending and also the distribution of the cost of graduate tuition fee authorizations among different units.

As always, feel free to reach out for more detailed information.

Attendance:

9/11/18: Fiscal Attended

9/25/18: Fiscal Attended

10/2/18: CFS Absent

10/9/18: Fiscal Cancelled

10/16/18: CFS Attended

10/23/18: Fiscal Attended

10/30/18: CFS Attended

11/6/18: Fiscal Attended

11/13/18: CFS Attended

11/20/18: Fiscal Meeting Cancelled

11/27/18: CFS Attended

12/04/18: Fiscal Attended

12/11/18: CFS Cancelled

01/08/19: CFS Attended

01/15/19: Fiscal Attended

01/22/19: CFS Attended

01/29/19: Fiscal Attended

02/05/19: CFS Attended

02/12/19: Fiscal Attended

02/19/19: CFS Attended

02/26/19: Fiscal Attended

03/05/19: CFS Absent

03/19/19: CFS Attended

Name and Senate Seat: Jasmine Richardson Senator for College of Education and Human Ecology

Committee Representor: Diversity Committee

Meetings Attended:

- Senator Meeting February 21, 2019 – Attended
- Diversity Committee Meeting: February 21, 2019 – Did not attend
- Senator Meeting March 28 – Planning to attend
- Diversity Committee Meeting: March 28 – Can not attend

Name and Senate Seat: Julie Dentzer, Humanities

Committee(s) you are on: DELIT Distance Education, Libraries and Information Technologies (and CSA, see Chief of Staff Report)

Your attendance record at ALL of the meetings listed above for that particular month

- Senate Meeting, present February 28th and will attend March 28th as well
- CGS Meeting, absent (I am not a delegate so I do not have mandatory attendance) but I will attend March 29th.
- DELIT did not meet in February, I will attend the meeting March 26th
- CSA meetings and Issues subcommittee meetings: present for all.

No notable updates at the moment. I will let Blake know if anything notable needs to be communicated from the March DELIT meeting.

Name and Senate Seat: Neethi Johnson, Fisher College of Business

Committee(s) you are on: Council on Academic Affairs

Meetings Attendance Record:

University Senate

February 28th: Attended

March 28th: Will Attend

Senate Council on Academic Affairs

Feb 6: Not attended*

Feb 20: Not attended*

March 6: Not attended

March 20: Attended

*I have a class that overlaps in this time period on Wednesdays. I have notified Katie Reed and the CAA.

Summary of important activities from your committees, and anything important that you feel should be added to the CGS agenda/that delegates should know about:

N/A

Name and Senate Seat: Nicolas Lugo, Professional Biological Sciences

Committee(s) you are on: University Research Committee & Excused Student Absences Ad Hoc Committee

March/February Meetings Attendance Record:

CGS Delegate

February 1st Meeting: Alternate attended

University Senate

February 28th Meeting: Alternate Attended

University Research Committee

No meeting held

Excused Absences Ad Hoc Committee

February 12th Meeting: Attended

February 22nd Meeting: Attended

Summary of important activities from your committees, and anything important that you feel should be added to the CGS agenda/that delegates should know about:

At the University Senate meeting on February 28th the Research Committee's membership proposal to increase membership to 21 voting and 4 non-voting members was voted on and approved. Both of the graduate student voting seats remains unchanged; one professional student voting member was added to the committee.

The Excused Student Absences Ad Hoc Committee has reviewed excused absences policies from universities across the nation. The committee felt that the University of Minnesota's excused absences policy was a good example of a well written policy. Our committee set up a conference call with individuals from the University of Minnesota to discuss the details of the policy and to learn how it has worked for them. The committee has created an excused absences guidelines draft and is in the process of garnering feedback from committee members.

Name and Senate Seat: Riley DeBacker, Social & Behavioral Sciences

Committee(s) you are on: CGS Government Relations Committee, Senate Council on Enrollment & Student Progress, Senate Faculty Rules Committee, CGS Senate Advisory Committee

February & March Meetings Attendance Record:

CGS Delegate Meetings

February 1st Meeting: Attended

March 29th Meeting: Will not attend (Away at conference)

University Senate

February 28th Meeting: Attended

March 28th Meeting: Alternate Will Attend

CGS Government Relations Committee

No meetings held

CGS Senate Advisory Committee

No meetings held

Senate Council on Enrollment & Student Progress

February 5th Meeting: Attended

March 5th Meeting: Attended

Senate Faculty Rules Committee

February 28th Meeting: Attended

March 7th Meeting: Attended

March 21st Meeting: Attended

March 28th Meeting: Will Attend

Summary of important activities from your committees, and anything important that you feel should be added to the CGS agenda/that delegates should know about:

The Senate Council on Enrollment & Student Progress (CESP) is currently interested in evaluating any variation between sections of the same course. If you as a GTA or student (grad or undergrad) **at Ohio State** have been involved in a class that had some difference in assessment or teaching that affected how students performed in different sections, please fill out [this Google Form](#).

Name and Senate Seat: Sam McWhorter, The Arts

Committee(s) you are on: CGS Executive Committee, CGS Health and Wellness Committee, CGS Delegate Relations Committee (Chair), Senate CESP

Feb/March Meetings Attendance Record:

CGS Delegate Meetings

February 1st Meeting: Attended

March 29th Meeting: Will Attend

University Senate

February 28th Meeting: Attended

March 28th Meeting: Will Attend

CGS Executive Committee

February 15th Meeting: Attended

March 8th Meeting: Attended

Senate CESP

February 5th Meeting: Attended

March 5th Meeting: Class Conflict

CGS Del. Relations

No meetings held

Summary of important activities from your committees, and anything important that you feel should be added to the CGS agenda/that delegates should know about:

Next CGS Delegate Body Happy Hour 3/29 after meeting at District Pour House in Gateway.

1 **A Resolution Rejecting Changes to the Administration of Graduate Associateships**

2 Author: Maddy Lomax-Vogt (.2), Government Relations Committee Chair

3 Sponsor: The Government Relations Committee

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5 WHEREAS the Council of Graduate Students (CGS) is the representative body of all graduate students
6 enrolled in The Ohio State University (established by Article II.I of the CGS Constitution); and

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8 WHEREAS as of the 2018 Autumn Semester there were 11,113 graduate students enrolled at The Ohio
9 State University; and

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11 WHEREAS Graduate Students are an indispensable contributor to the University's research mission—
12 both conducting independent research and supporting the University's faculty and staff researchers; and

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14 WHEREAS Graduate Associates currently receive benefits in line with the positions' relationship to
15 graduate students' academic pursuits (or program); and

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17 WHEREAS changes to the interpretation of the Fair Labor Standards Act by the University has put into
18 jeopardy the status of Graduate Associates benefits as it relates to their academic pursuits; and

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20 WHEREAS Section 11 of the Graduate Student Handbook states:

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22 *“These benefits help support students as they pursue their graduate degrees while balancing*
23 *academic, employment, and personal goals.”*

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25 WHEREAS the Council of Graduate Students Government Relations Committee conducted a survey of
26 the Delegates and the overwhelming response was to keep the current method of administration;

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28 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of Graduate Students rejects any efforts to
29 change the status of Graduate Associateships from the current method of administration; and

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31 LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED that the Council Graduate Students directs its President to distribute
32 this resolution to the University's Administration, University Senate Leadership, and any other affected
33 parties.
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