



Council of Graduate Students
The Ohio State University

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CGS Delegate Packet December 6, 2019

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Special Announcements

CGS will be hosting a grants funding workshop for those who are interested in learning more about how to write a successful application for the Career Development Grant or the Ray Travel Award. All interested students are invited to attend.

Tuesday, January 14th, 12pm, Creative Arts Room (Union)
Wednesday, January 15th, 5:30pm, Location TBA

The Council of Graduate Students (CGS) is proud to announce the release of its 2019-2020 Buckeye Diversity Dialogue Series lineup.

The **Buckeye Diversity Dialogue Series** provides opportunities for Ohio State graduate students, faculty, staff, and community leaders to have intentional conversations about relevant issues of equity, diversity, inclusion, social justice, and much more.

These conversations are designed to be an informal gathering, over lunch, to allow participants to learn from and educate one another. Although each event has a theme, the goal is to encourage participants to determine where the conversation goes.

The Buckeye Diversity Dialogue Series is meant to be a catalyst for discussion on difficult topics, as it relates to diversity and social justice.

This program is only open to graduate students at The Ohio State University. Due to the nature of the conversations, each event will be limited to 10-15 graduate students, registration is on a first come first serve basis. **Students can register online at go.osu.edu/buckeyediologue**

Lunch will be provided for each participant, in partnership with [Student Life Dining Services](#).



1. **CALL TO ORDER** (3:30pm)
 - 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** (5 min.)
3. **Dr. Michael V. Drake, President of The Ohio State University** (45 min.)
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** (5 min.)
 - 4.1. **Minutes from November 8th, 2019**
5. **OFFICER REPORTS** (15 min.)

<ol style="list-style-type: none">5.1. President, Stephen Post.1445.2. Vice President, Libby Bauman.1935.3. Treasurer, DaVonti’ Haynes.242	<ol style="list-style-type: none">5.4. Secretary, Sarah Light.1095.5. Chief of Staff, Jack Brandl.85.6. Parliamentarian, Rania Khamees.5
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6. **COMMITTEE CHAIR UPDATES** (15 min.)

<ol style="list-style-type: none">6.1. Academic Affairs, Kevin Ingles.276.2. Arts & Culture, Kathryn Holt.3516.3. Delegate Relations, Conner Sarich.66.4. Diversity & Inclusion, Andrea Davis.56886.5. Government Relations, Maddy Lomax-Vogt.26.6. Graduate Student Affairs, Mark Pauley.666.7. Health, Wellness, & Safety Alec Clott.1	<ol style="list-style-type: none">6.8. International Student Concerns, Eshan Estiri.16.9. Marketing & Communications, Priscila RodriguezGarcia.26.10. Senate Advisory, Blake Szkoda.16.11. SERC, Carly Larosa.156.12. External Collaborations, e alexander.9796.13. Housing and Family Affairs, James Uanhoro.1
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7. **SPECIAL ORDER ITEMS** (15 min.)
 - 7.1. **Delegate Issues and Concerns (15 min.)**
8. **NEW BUSINESS** (80 min.)
 - 8.1. **Buckeye Village to Resolution**
9. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** (5 min)
 - 9.1. **January 10th, 2019 – Full Body Delegate Meeting | Location: Moritz RM348**
10. **Adjourn** (~6:30pm)



Present: e alexander, , Jacky Anderson, Luke Andrejek, Ali Asghari Adib (ALT), Selasi Attipoe, Tyler Beauregard, Aaron Beczkiewicz, Jessica Blackburn, Andrew Borst, Richard Broshious, Mary Byrne, Qiuchang (Katy) Cao, Yu-chun Chang, Steph Charles, Min-Seok Choi, Jorge Clavo Abbass, Alec Clott, Katherine Conner, Paul Consiglio, Austin Cool, Robert Dahlberg-Sears, Archit Datar, Amanda Deighen, Ty Drayton, Benjamin Duran, Story Edison, Kat Ellis, Brandon Free, Elizabeth Galko, Jahmour Givans, Jenna Greve, Lindsey Lawson, Kathryn Holt, Lauren Howard, Sarah Hyman, Kevin Ingles, Jeffrey Kast, Pouya Kousha, Arsh Kumar, Carly LaRosa, Jungmin Lee, Yifan Li, Ho-chieh Lin, Stephen Lo, Eric Loria, Emily Lundstedt, Raven Lynch, Lucas Magee, Tori Magers, Rohit Mukherjee, Alejandro Otero Bravo, Ryann Patrus (ALT), Mark Pauley, Miguel Pedrozo, Maritza Pierre, Kelsey Pinckard, Avi Pokala, Ken Poland, Zeltzin Reyes, Isaac Reynolds, Marie Rineveld, Priscila Rodriguez Garcia, Ashweta Sahni, Conner Sarich, Erik Scaltriti (ALT), Lena Schreiber, Michelle Scott, Shruthi Shetty, Melika Shahhosseini, Karla Shockleymccarthy, Preeti Singh, Sundeep Siripurapu, Ryan Slechta, Kye Stachowski, Lindsey Stirek, Nicole Tchorowski, Philip Tice, Jorge Torres Espinosa, James Uanhoro, Jennifer Valdez, Mitch Vicieux, Leila Vieira, Derek Walton, Sarah Walton, Daniel Williams, Yu Lun Wu, Piao Yang, Megan Zib

Absent: Pranav Ambardekar, Om Prakash Bedant, Audrey Hungerpiller, Ruonan Lin, Madeleine Lomax-Vogt, Matthew Maynard, Aviva Neff, Kate Ormiston (Connor Mahler), Tricia Oyster, Sarah Scott, Utkarsh Shah, Nithya Sivashankar, Aaron Snelgrove, Taylor Tomu, Soroush Zamanian

1. CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 3:33 pm

1.1. Statement of Purpose

- 1.1.1. To effectively advocate and program to ensure that The Ohio State University graduate student experience the best it can be.

2. ROLL CALL

2.1. Carmen log-in

3. Dean Alicia Bertone- Q & A

- 3.1. All programs will need to submit information for a degree audit coming soon. This information will be incorporated in the OSU app to help students keep track of their degree requirements as they are met.
- 3.2. Reynolds.992 asked about the federal court case dealing with survivors of sexual assault. There is skepticism from students that claims will be taken seriously, and we would like to know what steps are being taken to address these problems.
- 3.2.1. The Office of Institutional Equity was opened about a month ago and this is a platform where students can anonymously submit any complaints and they will be reviewed by this office.
- 3.2.2. There was a Campus Climate survey in 2017 that gathered information from students about misconduct and harassment. The numbers have been published and are in line with our peer institutions.
- 3.3. Haynes.242 asked about the Graduate School's plans to increase and maintain diversity within graduate student and faculty populations.
- 3.3.1. The message being broadcast to graduate programs is that they need to identify areas where they lack diversity and set specific goals to fill these gaps. Fellowship application guidelines have been changed to ask for justification about each student and how they fill these gaps in the programs.
- 3.3.2. Soon there will be an anonymous survey going out that will ask students to evaluate their graduate programs. Any program must submit a remediation plan to address any metric in which they receive a poor score.
- 3.3.3. Pinckard.6 points out that even within a diverse population, we need to foster a culture that prioritizes inclusivity. Conner.280 asks about specific ways the grad school is planning to offer support and resources to programs that are struggling to gain diversity and be inclusive.

- 3.3.4. Greve.41 asks what specifically is being done to address diversity amongst faculty, especially as these positions do not turn over rapidly. There is a new staff position focused on graduate student professional development to help students be successful in applying for faculty positions.
- 3.3.5. Drayton.18 asks to clarify what the grad school is calling diversity. Dean Bertone answers that there is a range of metrics: race, ethnicity, gender, location background, adult versus young student learners, first generation college students. She points out that this is why the grad school is asking each program to look at their own student population to identify the areas where they are lacking diversity because it may not be the same in different programs.
- 3.4. Uanhoro.1 asks what Dean Bertone's response is to the statement put out by CGS about Buckeye Village. She responds that student housing is a benefit that may influence a student's decision to attend OSU and the Grad School is an advocate of this opportunity existing on OSU's campus.
- 3.5. Lo.208 asks about progress being made to identify problem advisors and impose consequences on them. Dean Bertone says that this survey that will ask students about their programs will help to provide more data to help programs identify those faculty. It's possible that through this mechanism, programs can document problem advisors and the grad school can revoke their graduate advisor status so they can no longer have graduate students.
- 3.6. Haynes.242 asks whether there is funding within the graduate school that can be allocated to CGS grant funding or other grants hosted within the Grad School. Dean Bertone answers that in meetings with Office of Research, the Graduate School advocates for other units and offices to provide funding but there is no money within the Graduate School itself for these purposes.
- 3.7. Conner.280 voices concerns that the GE updates are going to result in reduced availability of GTA positions. Dean Bertone says that research already done has indicated that this will not be the case.
- 3.8. Deighen.1 asks how the grad school is helping to protect students against tuition increases. The college of medicine recently increased per semester tuition by \$2000 for nursing students. Students who were struggling to meet this demand were given bridge funding.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1. Minutes from October 4, 2019

- 4.1.1. Beuregard.13 motioned to approve the minutes.
- 4.1.2. Motion was seconded by Dahlberg-Sears.1.
- 4.1.3. Minutes approved.

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

5.1. President (Post.144)

- 5.1.1. The financial and HR website changes are going forward soon. Other changes are happening in 2023.

5.2. Vice President (Bauman.193)

- 5.2.1. Kindness committee is seeking a CGS representative.
- 5.2.2. Hayes Forum needs faculty judges, specifically from the Arts and Humanities.

5.3. Treasurer (Haynes.242)

- 5.3.1. We are being refunded for the website costs soon so our budget will be back on track.

5.4. Secretary (Light.109)

- 5.4.1. The Career Development Grant application window for the third funding period closed November 1. Winners will be notified by the end of the month. There will be a meeting of the committee at **4:30pm on Wednesday, November 20th in 134 Biomedical Research Tower (BRT)** to discuss the application and judging process and talk about any updates or changes that would make the grant more successful. All delegates are welcome to attend and anyone who has thoughts to share, please send via email.
- 5.4.2. Website improvements are ongoing with a main focus on making the organizational structure more intuitive to make information easier to find and reducing the redundancy of information.
- 5.4.3. There will hopefully be a meeting soon with Matt Page and others from the Graduate School to discuss transparency of fellowships and ways to increase awareness about the tax situation for students with

fellowships.

5.5. Chief of Staff (Brandl.8)

- 6.1.1. There is a cross-governmental implementation committee focused on diversity and inclusion that is seeking interested members.

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

6.1. Delegate Relations (Sarich.6)

- 6.1.1. HAPPY HOUR after the meeting at Formaggio!

6.2. Diversity & Inclusion (Davis.5688)

- 6.2.1. The Diversity Dialogue Series has launched! There are lunches scheduled for the rest of the year and many of them still have open spots.
- 6.2.2. Working with WOSU to launch a diversity campaign in collaboration with IPC and USG in February.

6.3. External Collaborations (Alexander.979)

- 6.3.1. Meeting with Dr. Jordan next week to discuss a needs assessment. Any issues that should be included in this conversation should be sent to Alexander.979.

6.4. International Student Concerns (Estiri.1)

- 6.4.1. The Docu-night series launched and will happen the first Thursday of every month at 5:30pm in Hagerty Hall.

7. SPECIAL ORDER ITEMS

7.1. Delegate Concerns

- 7.1.1. Dahlberg-Sears.1 points out that students are still waiting for months to get reimbursed for research and conference travel.
 - Mukherjee.110 shares that his department has recently changed their policy about conference travel and now students receive money ahead of time so this may be a possible update other departments can make.
- 7.1.2. Beauregard.13 conveys that grad students are required to have a certain number of credit hours over the summer but there is not good availability of helpful or interesting classes.
- 7.1.3. Conner.280 asks if it is possible to get a microphone for future delegate meetings.
- 7.1.4. Shahhosseini.2. points out that the winners for funding periods 1 and 2 of the Ray have not been updated on the CGS website.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1. Resolution 1920 AU-004: A Resolution Requesting Additional Information and Transparency Regarding the Recent Hiring of Mr. Clinton Woods by the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences

- 8.1.1. LaRosa.15: CFAES recently hired Clint Woods as the Director of Strategic Partnerships. This person has a long history of dismantling environmental regulations and protections. The resolution is calling for more information from the college about why this person, whose values don't match those of OSU, was hired over many other qualified candidates.
- 8.1.2. **Questions:**
 - Sarich.6 asks if IPC or USG are working on similar resolutions.
 - The answer is yes.
- 8.1.3. **Discussion:** None
- 8.1.4. Williams .6571 moves to vote on the resolution.
- 8.1.5. Motion seconded by Magee.113.
- 8.1.6. Motion passes.
- 8.1.7. Resolution is voted on.
- 8.1.8. Resolution passes.

8.2. Resolution 1920 AU-005: A Resolution for the Establishment of an Assistant Dean of Student/Director of Graduate and Professional Student Life Within the Office of Student Life at the Ohio State University

- 8.2.1. Haynes.242: At the university level, particularly in the office of student life leadership, graduate

students are under-represented. USG's advisor sits on the leadership team for student life and so they have a direct relationship with the administration while CGS does not. This resolution calls for the office to hire more staff that will deal directly with graduate and professional students.

8.2.2. Questions:

- Greve.42 asks whether this resolution is asking for a new person to be hired or simply moved to a new position.
 - The answer is yes, we don't want them to simply give someone a new title. We need more manpower.
- Galko.2 asks about the feasibility of instituting this new position in the 2020-21 academic year.
 - In meetings with the office, they have agreed with this timeline so it should be able to be pushed through for then.
- Scott.1445 asks what department will pay for this position.
 - This person would reside within and be paid by the Office of Student Life.

8.2.3. Discussion: None

8.2.4. Dahlberg-Sears.1 moves to vote on the resolution.

8.2.5. Motion seconded by Singh.996.

8.2.6. Resolution is voted on.

8.2.7. Resolution passes.

8.3. Resolution 1920 AU-006: A Resolution Requesting that the University Develop New Housing for Graduate Students With Families

8.3.1. Uanhero.1: Buckeye Village was the only university housing allocated for graduate students and the university tearing it down and has announced no plans to replace this housing community. This resolution states the critical need for this type of housing and calls on the university to take steps to address this need.

8.3.2. Questions:

- Greve.41 asks whether new families will be eligible for this discounted rate at University Village.
 - Current Buckeye Village residents will move to University Village at the end of the year at a subsidized rental rate, but new students would have no guarantee of this reduced rate or unit availability.
- Pinckard.6 asks whether it would be possible for OSU to ask that University Village institute some resources that will cater to these new families when they move in.
 - There may be certain issues that we can get Student Life to advocate for in the near future but even with these improvements (like a playground, for example) University Village is not necessarily a family-friendly environment.
- Datar.10 asks about Line 54: "maintaining current Buckeye Village rental rate plus a 2-3 percent increase for the next two years" .- what is the mechanism to decide if the 2 year subsidy will be enough.
 - Uanhero. answers that this will be decided by the committee.

8.3.3. Reynolds motions to extend questions by 5 minutes

8.3.4. Poland.87 seconds the motion.

8.3.5. Motion is passes.

8.3.6. Questions period extended by 5 minutes.

- Reynolds.992 points out that resolution does not include a lot of data about the students with families. He asks whether we need to edit the citations to include references to the original data cited in the resolution.
- Hyman.62 asks whether need has been demonstrated for more housing units for families.
 - Uanhero.1 answers that there is data gathered by Student Life and the Housing & Family Affairs Committee is working on pulling out data specifically about graduate students with families. In a survey, 60% of graduate students have stated disappointment with the availability of housing. Also, there is a greater influx of applications for student housing than there are available units.

8.3.7. Shahhosseini.2 motions to move to discussion

8.3.8. Kousha.2 seconds the motion.

8.3.9. Motion passes.

8.3.10. Discussion:

- Greve.41 points out that students were/are using Buckeye Village and this demonstrates a need. Viera.31 also mentions that there is a wait list, indicating that the need is outpacing the availability. Pierre.77 also mentions that there is a large international student population that does not have credit and so have very few options for housing once Buckeye Village is torn down.
- Slechta.3 asks whether this resolution should be tabled because there are edits that need to be made to the documents and data referenced in the resolution. Viera.31 mentions that there is a meeting between BV residents and OSU administration scheduled for the 25th of this month and it would help push the conversation forward if this resolution was passed before then.
- Stirek.1 points out that in conversations with administrators, we need to talk to them about things they can understand like hard numbers. ShockleyMcCarthy.1 points out that including information about other benchmark institutions will demonstrate clearly to the administration how we are not measuring up.
- Clott.1 adds that the best approach is to continue apply pressure and we need to act while this issue is hot.

8.3.11. Slechta.3 moves to refer this resolution back to the issuing committee.

8.3.12. Loria.3 seconds the motion.

8.3.13. Discussion of motion:

- Uanhoro.1 specifies that the data does exist but is simply not spelled out in the document referenced by the resolution.
- Galkko.2 asks whether it is possible for the committee to make edits to the resolution and then for the delegate body to vote on the resolution on Carmen before the next meeting. This would not work because we need to meet quorum to pass anything.
- Haynes.242 asks if we can remove the lines that say this

8.3.14. Sarich.6 moves to vote on motion to refer the resolution back to the committee.

8.3.15. Dahlberg-Sears.1 seconds.

8.3.16. Motion fails.

8.3.17. Sarich.6 motions to extend discussion for 10 minutes

8.3.18. Loria.3 seconds the motion.

8.3.19. Discussion of resolution continues:

- Clott.1 asks whether we can just strike the referenced data because the administration will already be aware of it.

8.3.20. Williams.6571 motions to amend the resolution striking the final clause detailing that the resolution be sent to administration and detailing that the H&FA affairs will write a second resolution with more data.

8.3.21. Haynes.242 seconds the motion.

8.3.22. Williams.6571 moves to withdraw the motion.

8.3.23. Motion to table discussion until the end of the meeting.

8.3.24. Clott.1 seconds the motion.

8.3.25. Motion passes.

8.3.26. Discussion of resolution is tabled.

8.3.27. Discussion is re-opened:

- Uanhoro.1 points out that the resolution specifies a February date to discuss with the Board of Trustees but a different date could be chosen if we feel it would be better.
- Alexander.979 points out that we should be mindful of when GCBC meets as similar issues have been raised in this meeting.

8.3.28. Motion to amend the resolution to change the 12th citation to a pdf version of the information contained with the google doc currently cited.

8.3.29. Slechta.3 seconds the motion.

8.3.30. Motion is voted on and passes.

8.3.31. Williams.6571 motions to vote on the resolution contingent that this amendment is made to the final version of the resolution.

8.3.32. Motion is seconded.

- 8.3.33. Greve.41 motions to end discussion and move to a vote.
- 8.3.34. Motion passes and resolution is voted on.
- 8.3.35. Resolution passes.

8.4. Resolution 1920 AU-007: A Resolution Reaffirming the Council of Graduate Student's Support for Increased Grant Funding Opportunities for Graduate Students and Calling Upon the University to Allocate More Funds to Support Increased Demand

- 8.4.1. Haynes.242: There is a dearth of funding for graduate students to travel for conferences and research and many departments are cutting funding. This resolution calls on offices across the university to work with CGS to find other sources of funding.
- 8.4.2. CGS is spending 30% of our budget on grant funding currently but this number has not increased as the number of graduate students has increased so we are not able to keep up with the demand.
- 8.4.3. **Questions:**
 - ShockleyMcCarthy.1 asks whether there have been any changes to the amounts of the grants that are given to account for increases in travel costs.
 - This is not something CGS has done because we have tried to serve the maximum number of students possible. This is not part of the discussion at this time.
 - Datar.10 asks about whether we should specify an amount that we are asking for.
 - Haynes.242 answers that we don't want to ask for an arbitrary amount and put ourselves into a position where we could have gotten more than we asked for.
- 8.4.4. **Discussion:** None.
- 8.4.5. Slechta.3 moves to vote on the resolution.
- 8.4.6. Motion is seconded.
- 8.4.7. Resolution is voted on.
- 8.4.8. Resolution passes.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

8.1 Next meeting is December 6th, 2019 @ 3:30pm, Room 348 Drinko Hall

8.2 CGS Winter Party immediately following our December meeting! More information coming soon.

10. Meeting adjourned at 5:54pm.

December 2019 Treasurer Report – Council of Graduate Students

To: Council of Graduate Students, Delegates

From: DaVonti' D. Haynes, Treasurer

Date: 12/01/2019

Re: Treasurer's Report November 2019

Hello CGS Delegates,

Congratulations on making it through the autumn semester and a very special congratulations to anyone graduating next week! I wish you all the best as we began to wrap up autumn semester 2019 and I hope you all have a very relaxing winter break, Go Bucks!

CGS Budget

I will be reporting a more detailed budget outlook during our January meeting. Over winter break I will be working with Student Life Business Office to go through all of our purchases, future commitments, etc.

Delegate Outreach Grant

Please continue to take advantage of the Delegate Outreach Grant, you may request up to \$200.00 per event. We will try to spread those funds out across departments and colleges, to ensure everyone has the chance to use this grant. **Remember all delegate outreach grant requests must be sent to Jack Brandl.8 AND myself (haynes.242).** As of today, we have awarded six delegate outreach grants.

Please remember there is a **three week requirement for submitting Delegate Outreach Grants**, to ensure we have proper time to review them, make a decision, and forward them on to Teresa so she can then forward them on to the business office for processing.

Ray Travel Award

Funding period III applications were due on November 1st to support conference travel between January 1st and March 31st. We funded 12 students representing five colleges (Arts and Science; Education and Human Ecology; Engineering; Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences; Medicine). **Funding period IV window will open on December 15th** to support conference travel between April 1st and June 30th.

Buck-I-Experience

The Buck-I-Experience application deadline was on November 9th. This program is a joint initiative sponsored by the three student governments, CGS, IPC, and USG

Nine students were funded through this program, representing undergraduate, graduate, and professional students.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

DaVonti' D. Haynes (haynes.242)

TO: The Council of Graduate Students, Delegates
FROM: Sarah Light, Secretary
DATE: December 1, 2019
RE: Secretary's Report

Judging for the third funding cycle of the Career Development Grant has been completed and scores were finalized this week and winners notified. The CDG committee met in November to discuss the application and judging process. We decided to set a 3-time (per degree) limit for winning the CDG and clarified that you may only win the CDG once per fiscal year. We also decided that we would like to add more specific instructions to some of the application questions that will make the written statements more helpful and relevant for judges when they evaluate them.

All the best,

Sarah

TO: Council of Graduate Students, Delegates
FROM: Libby Bauman, Vice President
DATE: 12/1/19
RE: Vice President's Report

Vice President Report

Hayes Forum

- Judge applications are still open. Nominate a professor here:
<https://cgs.osu.edu/secure/hayes/judge/nominate.aspx>
 - We need judges for the day of presentations on February 28 for the following areas: **The Arts, Business, Humanities, FAES, and Math and Physical Sciences**
- Abstract submissions were extended to December 2 and are now closed

Delegate Petition Process:

- See departments that still need Delegates by scrolling to the bottom of this page:
<https://cgs.osu.edu/leadership/delegates/>
- The petition process for open Delegate seats is now open. Interested applicants may complete the petition form: <https://cgs.osu.edu/posts/documents/delegate-election-petition-form.pdf>
- Encourage your friends to petition if their department needs a Delegate!

To: Council of Graduate Students, Delegate Body
From: Stephen J. Post, President CGS
Date: 12/1/19
RE: President's Report

Hello All! In a blink of the eye, it is already the end of the Autumn 2019 semester. Make sure you are on track to accomplish you academic, professional, and personal goals! While I know we are all very busy, this **December 6th Delegate Meeting** is very important as we have the outgoing **President of The Ohio State University, Dr. Michael V. Drake**, coming in as our guest. This will be a 10-15 minute overview of the President's work and then 20-30 minutes for Q&A where the President will be open to answering questions about how this office is supporting us and working to solve certain issues. Please come with questions and issues that you hope to raise to President Drake in preparation for this meeting!

Graduate Ombudsperson Update

After having robust discussions, we have received feedback and responses to questions from Graduate Council, the Council on Student Affairs, and the Graduate Compensation, and Benefits Committee. We will take this feedback along with our passed resolution and the Graduate Schools proposal to put together the formal University rule change to establish the Graduate Ombudsperson. We hope to have this rule change ready to present to Steering Committee so it can go for a full University Senate vote at the first meeting of the 2020 calendar year.

Buckeye Village Update

After passing our formal resolution on to university stakeholders, there has been little change in response. I have been assured by Interim VP of Student Life, Molly Calhoun, that a new working committee will be formed with representatives from CGS, USG, IPC, Buckeye Village, other married/parenting students, Ohio State Residence Life/Housing, Ohio State Administration and Planning, and Ohio State Business and Finance. I am continuing to focus on working to find the long-term solution to the graduate and family housing issue.

Convocation/Graduate Orientation

I have been informed that graduate students will be part of convocation next year! This is something that has been a long standing issue and we are excited to welcome new graduate students to experience what it means to be an Ohio State Buckeye. As part of convocation, the Grad School is looking into a revamped orientation process, including how to best provide and educate graduate students on the many resources they have available to them. Please reach out to our Graduate Student Affairs Chair, Mark Pauley.66, if you have suggestions or thoughts on orientation or resource aggregation in general.

Employee Time Off Feedback

In our past discussions, there has been concerns raised about the "leave" policies around Graduate Associateships. The Office of Human Resources is seeking feedback on three of its "leave" policies: Paid Time Off, Unpaid Leave, and Military Leave & Reemployment Rights. You can [review the proposed policies and submit your feedback on the University Policies](#)

[website](#) through December 15. While this is in a broader context for the whole university, these guidelines are relevant in us deciding what policies GA's should follow as well.

Resources

As always, the CGS.OSU.EDU website should be up-to-date so you have easy access to any necessary resources and know where to point fellow grad students when they ask for more information! Additionally, the CGS Carmen page is updated to provide delegates access to any info, documents, or other resources you may need.

Please follow CGS on social media via our pages on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [Linkden](#). This will allow you to stay up-to-date with programming, event/meeting reminders, and other great resources that we encourage you to share on these platforms. Our handles are @CGSOSU.

We are in the thick of the semester, and I want to make sure you are all taking care of yourselves mentally, physically, and socially. Check out the resources at the [Student Wellness Center](#) to make sure you are keeping balanced in this busy time!

Always feel free to reach out to me with any concerns via email at post.144@osu.edu!

Go Bucks,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen J. Post". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line striking through the middle of the name.

TO: The Council of Graduate Students, Delegates
FROM: Kathryn Holt, Arts and Culture Chair
DATE: 12/01/2019
RE: Committee Report

The second Arts and Culture lottery was successfully completed for the Department of Theatre's production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, with 10 tickets given to 5 grad students. We'll be working on putting together lotteries for next semester as well, so keep an eye out for those!

The committee met on November 14, and discussed our ongoing projects. We are finalizing the spring symposium, with a CFP coming shortly. Additional continuing projects include creating a survey to gather information about arts students experiences with the Hayes Forum, planning art gallery visits and happy hours for students, and pop-up performances.

Our next meeting will be held December 2.

TO: The Council of Graduate Students, Delegates
FROM: Andrea Davis, Diversity and Inclusion Committee Chair
DATE: December 1, 2019
RE: Committee Report

Below are updates for the Diversity and Inclusion Committee:

1. CGS Buckeyes Diversity Dialogue Series
 - a. We had our first installment of the Diversity Dialogue Series on November 4 featuring EHE Dean Don Pope-Davis who spoke on Diversifying the Professorate.
 - b. Our next events in the series will take place on Thursday, December 5. Dr. Lori Patton-Davis, Chair of the Department of Educational Studies will be discussing Being a Woman in Academia and Sharon Harding, President of Columbus City Council will be discussing the Intersectionality of Being a Minority and Gay in Politics.
2. Revamping the Diversity and Implicit Bias Awareness Program
 - a. We'll hopefully be meeting with staff in the Multicultural Center in the next few weeks to discuss the next steps in revamping DIBAP. We are planning on having everything in place for a February 2020 start!
3. Spring Diversity and Inclusion Campaign
 - a. We're still working with Student Life Marketing to come up with a design concept for our shirts but hopefully that will be sorted out by the end of this week.
 - b. We've finished creating a script for the campaign video and are now in the process of staging what we'd like to see in the video.
4. The Student Government Collaborative (composed of CGS, IPC, and USG) met on Sunday, November 17 to discuss diversity and inclusion at Ohio State. We discussed the University's (lack of a) definition of diversity and inclusion, current issues regarding D&I at the University, and came up with components of a Diversity Action Plan—including the creation of an intergovernmental D&I committee which will be headed by the chairs of the 3 D&I committees and include members from all 3 committees.

If there are any questions about any of the above items, please feel free to reach out!

Andrea Davis (davis.5688@osu.edu)

TO: The Council of Graduate Students, Delegates
FROM: Mark Pauley - Delegate, Chair – Graduate Student Affairs
DATE: 12/08/2019
RE: Secretary's Report

Delegates,

Please find some of the pertinent updates for the Graduate Student Affairs Committee since our last delegate meeting on 11/08/2019 below:

- We are coordinating with the Office of Institutional Equity to have them speak at a spring delegate meeting
- We met with the Office of Institutional Equity to discuss the mandatory, BuckeyeLink-provided "U Got This" training
- We met with the Office of Administration and Planning to discuss the Lyft Partnership
- We are obtaining residency data from the BuckeyeLink Office in an effort to advocate for more resources for the Registrar's Office

I thank you for your attention and look forward to addressing any comments, questions, or concerns you all may have. Please direct anything to Pauley.66@osu.edu, or to any member of my committee and we will be happy to work with you.

November 2019

Name: Blake Szkoda

Committee(s) you are on: CGS Executive Committee, CGS Senate Advisory Committee (Chair), Senate Council on Academic Affairs, Graduate Council (governing board of the Graduate School), Senate Council on Academic Affairs/Graduate School Sub-Committee

September Meetings Attendance Record:

CGS Delegate Meetings

Cannot go to CGS delegate meetings due to meetings of my lab at the same time

University Senate

November 14th Meeting: attended

CGS Executive Committee

Cannot go to CGS exec meetings due to meetings of my lab at the same time

CGS Senate Advisory Committee

No meetings held (these will be on an as needed basis)

Senate Council on Academic Affairs

November 6th meeting: attended

November 20th meeting: attended

Graduate Council

November 4th meeting: attended

Senate Council on Academic Affairs/Graduate School Sub-Committee

November 7th meeting: attended

November 21st 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:

This report will also serve as my Senate Advisory Committee Chair's report.

The only substantial item I wish to mention is that the CAA continues to be updated on the progress that the general education implementation team is making. All delegates should educate themselves on these changes, and also note that there are (serious, legitimate) opportunities for graduate students to be part of the process via this link:

<https://oaa.osu.edu/general-education>

Specifically, scroll down to the "opportunities to engage" section to find ways to give your comments on the new undergrad GE structure.

TO: The Council of Graduate Students, Delegates

FROM: Carly LaRosa, SERC Chair

DATE: 12/6/2019

RE: SERC Report

Establishment of a Subcommittee on Food Waste Reduction

We have recently established a subcommittee to reduce food waste, with the goal of establishing a list of best practices. Any students who are interested in getting involved in this subcommittee should contact Utkarsh Shah.1285.

Fellow Delegates,

This month, the University Senate took action on some items which are not particularly relevant to graduate students. First, the senate recommended approval on changing the deadline for undergrads to request grade forgiveness. It also recommended renaming the position “director of libraries” as the “dean of libraries.”

The senate also heard from Athletic Director Gene Smith on California’s decision to allow athletes to profit from their name, image, and likeness. It is particularly important to the NCAA that any new rules to accommodate California won’t result in a “pay to play” system.

The Council of Academic Affairs approved several new graduate credentials, including a graduate minor in history and a certificate in GIS. Unfortunately, due to a lack of institutional support for the major, CAA approved a plan to eliminate the Sexuality Studies undergraduate major. CAA also approved terminating the Master in Business Logistics Engineering program due to a decline in enrollment. In both cases, departments have committed to helping enrolled students finish their programs.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Ryan Slechta

Name and Senate Seat: Gala Korniyenko, City and Regional Planning, College of Engineering

Committee(s) you are on: CGS Housing and Family Affairs committee (HFA), Senate Committee Member of COPE: <https://senate.osu.edu/committees/physical-environment>

November Meetings Attendance Record:

CGS Delegate Meeting

November 8th Meeting: Attended

University Senate

November 14th Meeting: Attended

COPE

November 5th Meeting: Attended

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

The Senate meeting did not address the situation with Buckeye Village and graduate students' family housing. The main topics were legal terms of using athletes' students for advertisement campaigns, proposal to change the University Faculty Rules, report on the work of Mental Health Task Force, and some general announcements. Meeting Recording can be found here: <https://senate.osu.edu/senate-meeting-november-14-2019>

Housing and Family Affairs committee (HFA) prepared the resolution about the closure of Buckeye Village, which was passed by the CGS. The committee held a working group meeting composed of different student groups/governments representing students/single parents, and students with families. Buckeye Village residents are planning to hold a rally to Save Buckeye Village. I have attended the meeting in the Buckeye Village Recreation Center together with the head of the Housing and Family Affairs committee James Uanhoro. We will update you on that during the CGS meeting if needed.

COPE (physical environment):

COPE joins in support of CSG objections about Buckeye Village closure. In addition, the committee generated focus/agenda for a proposal asking the university to do an open space (gathering space) inventory of campus with a focus on quality of and access to restorative spaces. You are welcome to contribute ideas (mail to: korniyenko.1@osu.edu).

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RESOLUTION 1920-AU-008

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY SUBSIDIZES THE EXPENSES OF BUCKEYE VILLAGE RESIDENTS WHO CONTINUE INTO ACADEMIC YEAR 2020-2021 AT UNIVERSITY VILLAGE AND PROVIDES FACILITES IN LINE WITH THE UNIVERSITY’S KEY VALUES

Authors: Sundeeep Siripurapu (.4), Delegate, Mechanical Engineering

Sponsor: Executive Committee

WHEREAS, as you are already aware from CGS RESOLUTION 1920-AU-006¹, The Ohio State University announced on October 28, 2019 that all the current residents of Buckeye Village (BV) will have to move out by the start of the 2020-2021 academic year; and

WHEREAS, the University announced an option for current residents of Buckeye Village to move to University Village (UV), a privately-owned entity, while maintaining current Buckeye Village rental rates plus a 2-3 percent increase for the next two years; and

WHEREAS, currently at Buckeye Village, residents currently pay a yearly total of about \$6,430 for a one-bedroom apartment and \$8,110 for a two-bedroom apartment²; and

WHEREAS, similar expenses at University Village would be approximately \$10,836 for a one-bedroom apartment and \$13,416 for a two-bedroom apartment³;

WHEREAS, the residents of Buckeye Village have a dedicated Buckeye Village Campus Area Bus Service (CABS) bus, and this bus does not currently serve the University Village area; and

WHEREAS, University Village has their own buses that take residents to and from The Ohio State University’s campus, serving 7 bus stops in the campus area⁴; and

WHEREAS, the bus service offered by University Village is not handicap friendly; and

WHEREAS, although the distance between University Village and Buckeye Village is less than 2 miles, the estimated cost of moving out from BV and moving into UV would be between \$1,000 - \$1,500 for a one-bedroom apartment⁵;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Graduate Students calls on President Drake and the Administration to:

- Make sure that current residents of Buckeye Village who choose to move to University Village get a subsidized rate (for rent, heating, trash, water, internet, and Resident Life Center fees) at University Village that matches the expenses currently at Buckeye Village, while maintaining a 2-3 percent increase for the next two years
- Extend the services of the Buckeye Village CABS route to service University Village during this relocation period
- Cover the moving expenses of all the Buckeye Village residents who continue to stay after academic year 2019-2020 and move into University Village

¹ <https://cgs.osu.edu/posts/documents/res-1920-au-006-buckeye-village.pdf>

² See Table 1 of Appendix A.

³ See Table 2 of Appendix A.

⁴ <http://universityvillage.com/shuttle-schedule/>

⁵ See Figure 1 of Appendix B for details.

5 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to The Ohio State University
6 President Michael V. Drake, Executive Vice President and Provost Bruce McPheron, Senior Vice President for
7 Administration and Planning Jay Kasey, Vice Provost for Graduate Studies and Dean of the Graduate School
8 Alicia Bertone, Interim Vice President for Student Life Molly Ranz Calhoun, Incoming Vice President for
9 Student Life Melissa Shivers, and Chair of the University Senate Committee on Physical Environment Jason
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Stephen J. Post, President



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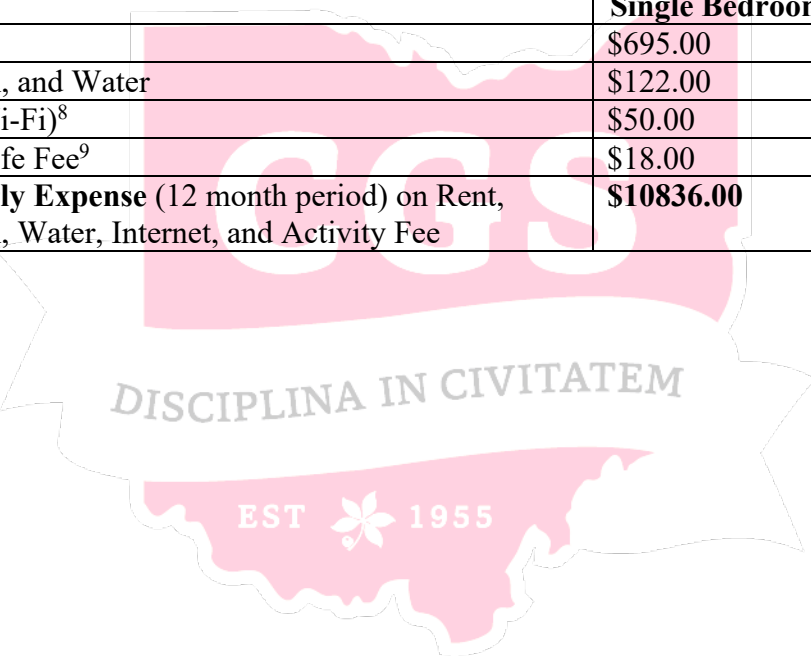
APPENDIX A

Table 1: Current Expenses at Buckeye Village⁶

	Single Bedroom	Two Bedroom
Rent	\$535.00	\$675.00
Heat, Trash, and Water	FREE	FREE
Internet (Wi-Fi)	FREE	FREE
Activity Fee ⁷	\$5.00	\$5.00
Total Yearly Expense (12 month period) on Rent, Heat, Trash, Water, Internet, and Activity Fee	\$6430.00	\$8110.00

Table 2: Current Expenses at University Village Assuming Two Occupants Per Apartment

	Single Bedroom	Two Bedroom
Rent	\$695.00	\$890.00
Heat, Trash, and Water	\$122.00	\$142.00
Internet (Wi-Fi) ⁸	\$50.00	\$50.00
Resident Life Fee ⁹	\$18.00	\$18.00
Total Yearly Expense (12 month period) on Rent, Heat, Trash, Water, Internet, and Activity Fee	\$10836.00	\$13416.00



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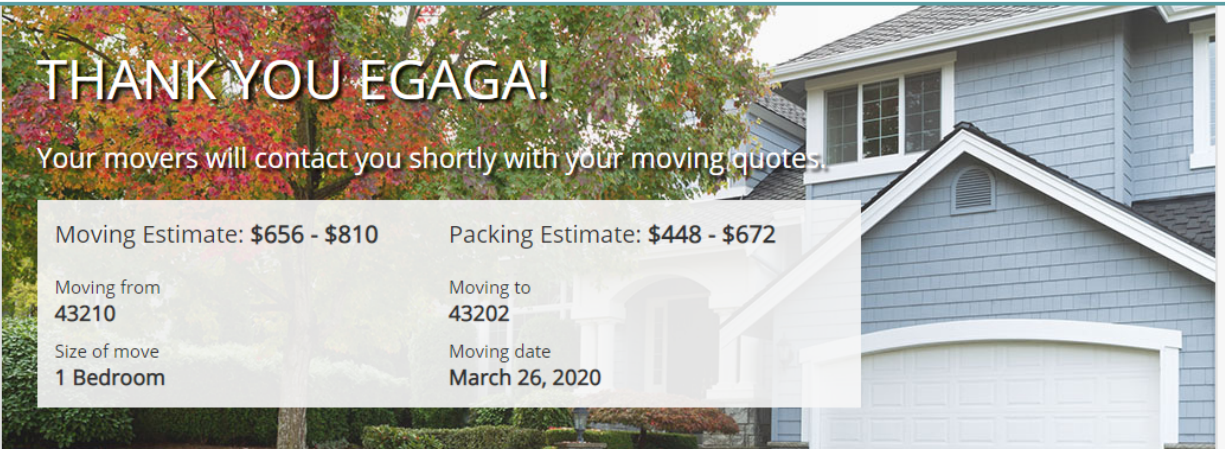
⁶ <http://web.archive.org/web/20160604065454/https://housing.osu.edu/living-on-campus/family-housing/>

⁷ Paid one month of each semester. See footnote 6 for more information.

⁸ <https://www.spectrum.com/>

⁹ Resident Life Fee in UV is paid monthly per head. Calculations assumed two residents per apartment.

APPENDIX B



YOUR SELECTED MOVERS

The following companies will be contacting you to provide moving quotes. Be sure to ask them questions by reading our advice on interviewing moving companies.



Leaders Moving & Storage



7455 Alta View Blvd.
Columbus, OH 43085
614-885-6683



U.S.DOT No. 1237577
MC No. 518295
Intrastate 136562



Silverback Moving



449 N. Eton
Birmingham, MI 48009
248-805-1063

U.S.DOT No. 2054813
MC No. 830468
Intrastate 696

Figure 1: Estimated Moving Expenses From 43210 to 43202 Zip Code
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