



Council of Graduate Students
at The Ohio State University

Date: November 17, 2017

Meeting Type:
Executive Committee

Location Sloop's Private Dining
Room

In Attendance: Puthawala.1, Montoya.29, Wesaw.1, Koss.31, Hopkins.774, Hartman.774, Lipman.23, Antonucci.21, Flemister.10, Heschmeyer.3, Pierce.508, Perkins.774

Not In Attendance: Walterbusch.1, Mueller.377, Faulk.30, Connolly.93, Bowers.461, Hodak.2

Meeting called to order at 3:41pm

- 1. September 15, 2017 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes:**
 - a. Montoya.29 motioned to approve
 - b. Antonucci.21 seconded.
 - c. Minutes were approved.
- 2. October 20, 2017 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes:**
 - a. Pierce.508 motioned to approve
 - b. Montoya.29 seconded.
 - c. Minutes were approved.
- 3. Future Minutes:**
 - a. Koss.31 tallied a vote and only 5 copies will be printed of the minutes moving forward, we will continue emailing minutes out before executive meetings.
- 4. Act to Amend the Budget**
 - a. Montoya.29 explained that we make a budget before we know all of our numbers, but now we have received \$12,000 more than we have projected.
 - i. Therefore, \$1000 was added to all committees that do programming, arts and cultures, diversity and inclusion, health and wellness, SERC, international concerns, and committees who's budgets are unchanged are Grants Administration, Communications, Ray Travels, Orgs and Elections, and Senate Advisory.
 - ii. A suggestion was raised to have a general committee budget that could be used by committees who need it so that \$1000 is not added in each committee even if they won't use it. In this situation when money is requested it would be raised to the rest of the executive committee to decide if those funds could be allocated.
 - b. CGS promotional materials were purchased that hit our books this year that was meant to hit last year. These are reflected in encumbrances.
 - c. Pierce.508 motioned to bring this to the delegate body.
 - d. **Heschmeyer.3**seconded.
 - e. This Act was approved to bring to the delegate body.
- 5. Strategic Programming Grant Application**
 - a. Montoya.29 explained that the Council of Student Affairs gets all of the student activity fees, they allocate it out but there is always access

excess money. The Strategic Programming application is where this excess money goes. This is where the Diversity and Inclusion committee got money for events last year, so if anyone is interested please work with Montoya.29 to develop a budget and apply! Application deadline is April 14th and are for events prior to October 31, 2018. Guidelines are that it must be open to all graduate students, there needs to be a developmental or educational outcome, it needs to be on campus or if it is off campus you cannot use money to pay for rental fee. This can go towards funding speakers.

6. A Resolution Condemning the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act

- a. Pierce.508 motioned to take Resolution 1718-AU-004 as revised to the delegate body
- b. Antonucci.21 seconded.
- c. The Resolution 1718-AU-004 passed and will be brought to the delegate body 12/1.

7. Survey

- a. Heschmeyer.3 discussed the administration of a survey to provide feedback regarding CGS.
 - i. The decision was made regarding closure day after January delegates meeting (January 31st).
- b. Koss.31 agreed to add the survey link with the delegates meeting email one week before,
- c. Heschmeyer.3 clarified the goal is to provide a report with summary and recommendations in March and then the subsequent year executive committee can begin implementing those changes for the future.

8. Committee Attendance

- a. Perkins.774 raised the concern that there are many committee members that do not participate in their committees.
- b. Pierce.508 seconded this concern. He also suggested the survey may be helpful in collecting information that can help us move forward.
- c. Hopkins.774 recommended reviewing the committee assignment process in order to help alleviate some of these concerns.
- d. Wesaw.1 recommended raising this concern at the Organization and Elections meeting.
- e. Pierce.508 offered to raise the communication concern with delegates in the delegate's meeting.

9. QR Reader

- a. Koss.31 specified the QR Reader will be introduced in the Spring.

10. 12/1 Delegates Meeting

- a. Wesaw.1 reviewed the agenda and speakers for 12/1's delegate meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:33pm.