



Delegate Meeting Agenda

Date November 22, 2013 (4th Autumn Delegate Meeting)
Location Ohio Union, Senate Chambers

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1. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 2.1. Minutes from October 18th meeting

3. GUESTS

- 3.1. Student Legal Services

- 3.1.1. Website: <http://studentlegal.osu.edu/>

4. OFFICER REPORTS (PLEASE SEE ATTACHED WRITTEN REPORT)

- 4.1. President Coy.82
- 4.2. Vice President Crowsley.1
- 4.3. Secretary Lang.279
- 4.4. Treasurer Cichon.8
- 4.5. Chief of Staff Wiggins.106

5. NEW BUSINESS

- 5.1. Resolution 1314-AU-009: A resolution in support of Ohio HB 111, Granting voting privileges to student trustee members (draft attached)

- 5.1.1. See websites: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=130_HB_111, and <http://www.lsc.state.oh.us/analyses130/h0111-i-130.pdf>

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

- 6.1. Grants Administration Sandoval.32
 - 6.1.1. Career Development
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- 6.10. Senate Advisory Pucker.1

7. DISCUSSION

- 7.1. Delegate Issues and Concerns

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

8.1. Last Autumn Semester Meetings

- 8.1.1. Friday, December 6, 2013 CGS Executive Committee Meeting, 3:30 pm, CGS Office
- 8.1.2. 5th Autumn Semester Delegate Meeting: Friday, December 2013, 3:30 PM, Union Senate Chambers

8.2. Spring 2014 Semester Meetings and Special Dates

- 8.2.1. Friday, Jan 10, 2014 CGS Executive Committee Meeting, 3:30 pm, CGS Office
- 8.2.2. 1st Spring Delegate Meeting: Friday, Jan 17, 2014, 3:30 PM, Union Senate Chambers
- 8.2.3. Friday, Feb 7, 2014 CGS Executive Committee Meeting, 3:30 pm, CGS Office
- 8.2.4. 2nd Spring Delegate Meeting: Friday, Feb 14, 2014, 3:30 PM, Union Senate Chambers
- 8.2.5. 27th Edward F. Hayes Graduate Research Forum: Friday, Feb 21, 2014, Union
- 8.2.6. Friday, March 7, 2014 CGS Executive Committee Meeting, 3:30 pm, CGS Office
- 8.2.7. 3rd Spring Delegate Meeting: Friday, March 21, 2014, 3:30 PM, Union Senate Chambers,
Election
- 8.2.8. Friday, April 4, 2014 CGS Executive Committee Meeting, 3:30 pm, CGS Office
- 8.2.9. 4th Spring Delegate Meeting: Friday, April 18, 2014, 3:30 PM, Union Senate Chambers
- 8.2.10. Grad/Prof Spring Reception (immediately following): Friday, April 18, 2014, 5:30 PM, Faculty Club

CGS OFFICER and COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS for 11/22/13 Delegate Meeting

1. President, Coy.82

Highball Halloween

- Fantastic turnout, clearly a success!
- Unfortunately, we were unable to secure a bus for shuttling from BV solely due to the home football game.
- At the time of the last delegate meeting, we had already gone through 800 of the original 1000 purchased.
- The Monday prior to the event we purchased an addition 500.
- These were sold out by Friday of the event and an additional 300 were picked up Friday morning to compensate... these were sold out by 6pm!
- The event was fantastic, even with colder weather. Saturday kids activities have been reported to be a big draw overall, and a lot of fun.
- OUAB and CGS each invested \$3000 in this activity.
- We are partnering again with OUAB and the Short North Alliance to develop a survey to be sent out to all ticket holders from swipe data to evaluate the event and plan for future such events.
- The SNA will have 3 prize packages values at \$200 each for participants of the survey to possibly win, to encourage participation.

House Bill 111

- Met with our Ohio District 18 Statehouse Rep. Michael Stinziano to discuss his sponsored bill, HB 111, which gives permissive rights to Universities in Ohio to allow student trustees voting privileges on their respective Board of Trustees.
- Bills such as this have been attempted to be passed through the Ohio Statehouse since they originally were introduced in the 70s and 80s, by Rep. Stinziano's father, who also was a State Rep at that time.
- There have been some Universities that are adamantly against this, which has caused the need for the language to become permissive, rather than mandatory.
- Due to the change to permissive language, this bill now has a much better chance of passing, and affecting change for those schools that will allow voting rights for student trustees.
- All indications are that OSU Administrators and Board Members are in support of such a change.
- OSU Grad Student Trustee Ben Reinke spoke in support of this bill in committee at the Statehouse.
- I have crafted a resolution in support of the bill for delegates to consider. Rep Stinziano and Rep Duffey (his cosponsor) have both already received this, given their support and thanks for the language of the resolution.
- The bill, as introduced can be found here
: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=130_HB_111

- A simpler to read analysis of the bill can be found here:
<http://www.lsc.state.oh.us/analyses130/h0111-i-130.pdf>

Maternity leave issue:

- Sarah, Molly, and I are working on a maternity leave issue that may take some time to resolve.
- The background can be loosely described as a lack of needed time available for adoptive mothers of newborn children in comparison with birth mothers.
- The Grad School handbook maternity leave is nearly identical to faculty/staff HR rules. However, some of the language in the handbook is conflicting.
- Birth mothers receive 6 weeks off after childbirth with stipend, adoptive parents receive 3 weeks after adoption with stipend.
- However, further in the policy it reads: "A leave of absence following the birth or adoption of a child shall not have a negative impact on appointment status or opportunities." AND "A leave of absence for childbirth or adoption for a funded graduate student should be completed within six weeks from the birth or adoption of a child and is not intended to be used intermittently."
- So, a student adopting a new born is currently only granted 3 weeks of funded absence. This is problematic for any adoptive children born with medical issues, and also due to the lack of available childcare before 6 weeks of age.
- Since this policy is modeled after the faculty/staff HR policy, it may be necessary to address this issue there, as well.
- Grad School Policy: <http://www.gradsch.osu.edu/vii.-childbirthadoption-leave-of-absence.html>
- OSU HR policy: <http://hr.osu.edu/policy/policy627.pdf>

NAGPS National Conference:

- Conference was held from 11/7-10 at Western Michigan University. Attended by myself, Donald, and Jarred Small.
- Extremely mixed review on both the conference and the organization itself.
- As always at these events, there is a certain amount of networking with students from other schools that has the potential to be useful in the future. Many individual students were great to talk to and share stories from our different situations on campus.
- Programmed meetings seemed to be focused on presenters who were having issues at their colleges with the expectation that members would be able to offer solutions. Unfortunately, timing was often an issue, so we seldom had more than 5-15 minutes to discuss an issue after presentation. Presenters and current NAGPS directors failed to have their own solutions prepared.
- A rough estimate of attendance would be a total number of schools in the range of 30-40, with about 3 students per school in attendance. This does not give the impression of a large contingent of support available to NAGPS nationally, though some schools are likely unable to attend due to budgetary restrictions.

- National business meetings (election of new officers, debating changes in bylaws, resolutions) were extremely disappointing. 90% of all leadership positions were won by the current leadership. All races that included a current board member on the ballot were won by that board member except for one. The current board consists of 18 members, which means that they tended to already have a near majority to continue to vote their fellow board members back into another office. Only in races that were uncontested by a board member, was the topic of the need to “develop new people” ever discussed. There were even instances where, during closed debate on the candidates, a current board member would be noted for their failure to effectively do the job they currently hold, and yet still get elected into a new office. It amounted to clear cronyism in the opinion of NAGPS members who were kept from office, especially among our midwest region.
- Donald ran for National Legislative director and gave a fantastic speech that had the auditorium erupt in cheers. He was the clear legislative expert, and yet a current board member (one we felt was completely unqualified) won the seat.
- Midwest Regional members share our negative opinions of the National Board, and as such Donald was appointed Midwest regional Legislative Chair and I was appointed Midwest Regional Social Justice Chair. These positions will be up for re-election at the Spring Regional Conference.
- We have noted a failure of leadership, vision, and clear legislative direction within NAGPS. We are at a fork in the road in terms of whether we should continue with NAGPS for the near or longterm future.
- There is a lack of geographical diversity within the organization, which has allowed certain factions to maintain power. As such, there is little accountability. The current leadership fails to impress or have any new, obtainable vision for the future of the organization.
- Cost v benefit must be considered at this point with NAGPS. I intend to take a closer look at what our expenditures have been over the past few years with NAGPS and consider if we have received an equal amount of return for our investment.
- I will be scheduling a meeting with OSU national/state lobbyists to get another perspective on NAGPS.

Academic Fee Policy (or lack thereof)

- We continue to have conversations regarding the lack of a clear policy for bringing forth academic fees and the problems this can cause.
- A “Guideline” policy does exist, but appears to have no teeth in terms of accountability.
- A policy is only useful if it is upheld. I still feel like a rule needs to be considered, written, and codified in Senate.

Open Access

- We are seeking any students knowledgeable or interested in this subject to contact myself, Donald, and Molly for help dissecting where we are going nationally with this concept. It has become a reoccurring buzzword and topic, and will likely be something CGS will need a clear position on in the near future.

Faculty Advisor Search

- This process continues. I will be sending out emails to a few candidates that have been suggested this week. I have also requested help from Dr. Leslie Alexander, Faculty Chair of the Senate, in identifying further candidates. Please forward any further nominations to me.

2. Vice President, Crowsley.1

Hayes Forum

- Abstracts: Application deadline was November 1, 2013. 373 abstracts have been submitted in total.
- Abstract guidelines: Abstracts are being individually checked by me to ensure abstract guidelines are met prior to them being approved for judging. Applicants whose abstracts do not meet abstract criteria are being emailed and asked to re-submit an abstract that meets abstract criteria prior to judging. I am doing this to ensure that we maintain a high number of abstracts for the forum this year.
- Judges: As of 11/08/2013 we have received 83 judge applications. I have been working with Assistant Dean Wallace at the graduate school to recruit judges. I am grateful to her and Dean Osmer for their active recruitment of faculty to be judges. Judging will commence this month.
- Judging: Judging will commence later this month and we plan on having the judging results by the 01/01/2014.
- Marketing: I have met with Rachel Connors about promo items. We have a follow up meeting on 11/14/2013 to finalize items and place orders before December 2013.
- Catering: I have contacted Katie Krajny about catering and we will be finalizing the number and menu items in January 2014.
- Rooms & Technology: There was a meeting with Katie Krajny about room reservations and technology. Reservations have been confirmed and technology arrangements have been made.
- Mrs Hayes: A personal invitation to Mrs Hayes has been mailed out.
- Hayes Career Panel: I have emailed exec to ask for speaker suggestions for our "Non-academic career track panel". I have also contacted Dean Wallace to ask for her input.
- Guest Speaker: Donald and I have spoken about the possibility of Congresswoman Joyce Beatty being involved with the Hayes Forum, possibly at the career panel event. Dean Wallace is putting me in contact with her contact at governmental affairs so that we can coordinate with them on inviting her to Hayes.
- Hayes Forum Committee: This has been updated on the internal committees section of the website. We currently have 11 committee members. I will be recruiting more members to help out on the day of the forum and to help prepare presenter and judge packets.

Organization & Elections Committee

- Website: The website has been updated with O & E committee information and members list.
- Apportionment report: This has been put on the website. Kerry is almost happy with it so once it's been approved then a meeting will be convened to discuss how apportionment for delegate seats might look next year.
- Mapping: Graduate student mapping is being updated and hopefully will be done in time for the spring election. This will ensure that there are less complications with future elections.
- New election system: The new election system is still being developed and hopefully will be rolled-out in time for spring 2014 elections.

Committees

- External committees: These have been updated on the website with chair information and descriptions when available. All external committee seats have been filled. The most recent appointment is Jarred Small to the Parking advisory committee.
- Internal Committees: I have been working with the committee chairs and Sarah to update the website with regard to internal committee members and up to date descriptions.

Member Records

- Name placards: These have been made for all new delegates elected in the fall election and election re-run.
- New delegates Assignments: These have been done on the website so that everyone can see who their representative is.
- Delegate Seats: We now have 75 delegate seats filled, which I believe is the highest number we have had in the past 5 years.
- Listservs: I have contacted IT support and had both the delegate and senate listservs updated to enable effective communication with our members.
- Delegate Orientations: Three delegate orientations have been done since the last CGS meeting to introduce the new delegates to the CGS.

Student Government Liaising

- A former CGS member, Chris Volpe, asked me to introduce him to USG President Taylor Stepp so that he could let OSU students know about the Ohio Game Developer Exposition. The website is: <http://www.ohiogamedevexpo.com/>

Council on Student Affairs

- Career connections: A Career Connection Presentation was made at the last CSA meeting. The powerpoint was made available to CSA members and I sent it to Sarah to add to the CGS blog.

- Issues sub-committee: Chief Denton, head of OSU campus police came to talk to us about the mutual aid agreement they have with Columbus police and their joint patrol policy. Issues of student safety on campus were discussed as was the new armored vehicle that they have acquired.

3. Secretary

- Continuing to update blog and events calendar with relevant news and events, and compiling weekly CGS news editions based off these
- Remind everyone, especially delegates, to distribute news editions
- Ask those planning events to communicate ASAP so that I can assist with promoting (e.g., running in OSU weekly and highlighting in CGS news)
- Working with Jamie and Kerry on fixing issues with full Graduate Student listserv, several requests from former students to be removed
- Would like to develop a policy for deciding what/when/how to communicate with graduate student body (what should be sent to delegates, senators, etc. versus full graduate student body)

Maternity leave for adoption

- Working with Josh and Molly to update the funded graduate student parental leave policy for adoptive parents (to increase from 3 to 6 weeks)
- Josh and I met with Dean Wallace on 11/12 to discuss possible solutions for particular constituent affected and the difficulty in updating this policy within the graduate student handbook. Mao and I will be following up on the student's individual case.
- Have reached out to Chair of the University Staff Advisory Council to see about updating the policy for all OSU employees

4. Treasurer

- Senate Fiscal is currently reviewing different student fees, with a particular interest in understanding the pros and cons of course fees vs. program fees. I've also brought forward the need for more transparency and better communication about fee additions and changes.
- We received our allocation from the Student Activity Fee at the end of October. Due to decreased enrollment, we've been allocated \$84,988.85 (compared to \$90,944.37 last year).

5. Chief of Staff

Speaker Series – First on Open Access

- Working with Molly to create a speaker series and the first to be featured will be the Open Access panel

NAGPS

- November 7-10, President Coy, Senator Smalls, and myself attended the National Association of Graduate and Professional Students national conference
- The conference provided CGS with another point of contact and assessment of the organization, which we walked away from the conference with:
 - a. The understanding that the national board does not fully understand the purpose of the organization
 - b. The lack of/misguided direction for the organization going forward
 - c. An expanded network of individuals from Graduate Student Associations throughout the country
- After an unsuccessful run for Director of Legislative Affairs for the national board I was unanimously elected/appointed to the position of director of legislative affairs for the Midwest region.
- The Midwest region has galvanized behind the idea of improving the region, national organization, and working collectively on behalf of graduate students.

Constitution and Bylaws

- The government relations committee and I have produced legislation to strengthen our governance documents and will present these documents to the delegate body after review and approval by the executive committee

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

1.1. Grants Administration

Sandoval.32

Career Development Grant:

- We had our 3rd of 4 funding periods end this week.
- The deadline for the CDG was Nov. 1st, and the winners will be alerted by Tuesday, Nov. 26.
- We had 35 applicants! Thank you much for spreading the word!!
- It's wonderful that we now award \$350!
- The next and last deadline is on April 4, 2014.
- There will be changes to the application process since we'll be moving to an online application. Please keep your eyes and ears open to announcements in the spring about this.

GGG:

- Keep your eyes open for information about eligibility, requirements, and guidelines in early spring.
- Until then, more information can be found at: <http://oia.osu.edu/gateways-overview.html>

1.2. Diversity & Inclusion

- Women in the Academy: Surviving and Thriving will be Thursday, November 21st at 5pm (location and panelists names to follow). The event will feature a panel of successful women with a variety of positions in academia a q&a session, and dinner.

1.3. SERC

Mills.532

- SERC is planning a monthly event starting in January to showcase graduate student research on sustainability. The event will take place off campus most likely at a still TBD bar in the early evening with the emphasis on students sharing their work in a low stress, low key setting. Focus will be on interesting presentations. The crowd would vote for best presentation and SERC will award small prizes.
- OSU Net Impact is planning a tour of green buildings on campus on Jan. 15, 2014 at 3pm.
- Funds have been approved to start a campus sustainability council in the spring. This effort has been led by undergraduates but the council is intended to be inclusive of all students across campus.

1.4. Governmental Relations

Rochman.2

- First pass of recommended governance changes to By-laws, Standing Rules, and Constitution will be submitted to E-board for review and to Delegates for approval
- The Governmental Relations Committee is looking for delegates and/or graduate students interested in serving as a member. The CGS Governance for the 21st Century Project is ongoing and in order to make our goal of bringing the By-laws, Standing Rules, and Constitution up to date by the end of the school year needs your help.
- Please follow the link to the governors special Analysis on Higher Education; <http://govrelations.osu.edu/Special%20Analysis%20-%20Higher%20Ed.pdf>

1.5. Health & Wellness

Deshpande.39

- Organized a health and wellness event at the Adventure Recreation Center titled "Climb Every Wall" on Nov. 2, 2013. It was attended by 6 graduate students, with some people reporting trouble with doodle-poll RSVP. Event was successful, however for future reference: reservation of facilities requires attendance/presence at the event within first 30 minutes, otherwise it is considered no-show. (almost everyone came in the latter half of the 4 hour reservation.) Also note to self and others: Do not organize an event on a Saturday morning! Special thanks to Diversity and Inclusion chair Krista Bryson!
- Meeting with the Grad Health and Wellness committee to report/touch base on various activities in the week of Nov 11th - Obtain input from Ashley Weber on the Wellness Collaborative.
- Interested in organizing REACH training for the CGS delegate body and senators/exec committee members.
- Interested in having CGS presence at the RUOK partners day.

1.6. International Relations

Dong.209

- Working with OIA on University wide International Graduate Student Professional Mentoring Program (international students only).
- Working with College of Pharmacy on college wide Graduate Student Professional Mentoring Program (both domestic and international students).
- Having a conversation with Gifty from OIA about collaboration on International Graduate Professional Mentoring program and future Orientation events.

1.7. Academic Relations

krygowski.5

1.8. Communications

vang.18

- \$200 is available to delegates through the Delegate Outreach Fund for the purposes of promoting CGS during a department-centric event. You are encouraged to apply for these funds by downloading the application on the CGS website (<https://cgs.osu.edu/committees/internal-committees?id=139>) filling it out, and sending it to both Mao Vang.18@osu.edu and Morgan Cichon.8@buckeyemail.osu.edu. Please also email Mao if you have any additional questions.
- Graduate events are promoted through the CGS Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/CouncilOfGraduateStudents>) and Twitter (<https://twitter.com/cgsosu>) pages. Please email any events you know of to Mao Vang.18@osu.edu if you would like them broadcast on Facebook and Twitter.

1.9. Ray Travel Award

Cichon.8

- A committee of 14 graduate students has been formed to judge Ray Travel applications.
- The deadline for applications to be submitted for the 3rd funding round was Nov. 1
- 71 applications were accepted for judging this round and the committee has awarded 16 (approx. 23%).
- The committee is currently discussing potential modifications to the Ray Travel application to be implemented in the next funding year.

1.10. Senate Advisory

Pucker.1



Delegate Meeting Minutes

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1. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1. Minutes from September 27th meeting –no objections, passed

3. GUESTS

3.1. Assistant Dean of Graduate School, CGS Advisor Wallace.150

3.1.1. Guest did not attend; perhaps have at future meeting.

4. OFFICER REPORTS

4.1. President Coy.82

4.1.1. Coy.82 noted in future meetings we will have written reports in addition to the agenda and previous meeting's minutes for delegates to read over. Hope to use meetings more for delegate concerns, discussion. In the future, delegates can email Coy.82, or other officer or committee chair, if you want more information on a particular item from his/her written report.

4.1.2. We have contacted 5-6 faculty members about serving as faculty advisor – all 6 unable to serve. We are still in need of a faculty advisor and would appreciate any input from delegate body (please email Coy.82). As a reminder, we already have Kerry Hodak and Kathy Wallace as our student life and administrative advisors, respectively, but would love a faculty member who has served on senate, but not currently serving, at least Associate Professor or above; someone connected to university but without conflict due to other commitments. We have tried some emeritus professors, with the thought that these individuals may have more time to serve, but that does not seem to be working. If you have an Associate or Full professor in mind, once again, please send names to Coy.82.

4.1.3. HighBall is happening next weekend. We have free tickets for grad-prof students (Kerry Hodak here to help people get tickets after the meeting). There are great Friday night entertainment activities and Saturday afternoon family activities (costume contests, animal costumes). It is near the Short North, past "the cap."

4.2. Vice President Crowsley.1

4.2.1. Regarding fall elections – still working through the technical glitch, however we are now in the position to confirm several new delegates. Crowsley.1 read through the names of 18 newly elected delegates welcoming them to CGS. Noted that she is still working on a few additional positions, but should have fall elections fully wrapped up shortly.

4.2.2. Hayes forum – We have been advertising for graduate student abstract, and we have abstracts coming in. Our advisors play a key role in getting judges, and this will eventually be a crucial role of our faculty advisor. If you know faculty members who would be good judges please invite them, can also nominate judges on line. Please also take a Hayes poster to hang up in your department; put in visible place for graduate students. Abstract submission closes on Nov 1st. Judging will begin shortly after. Still looking for volunteers, particularly the day off, please email crowsley.1. Dong.209 had a question about the acceptance rate – Crowsley.1 said that in the past the acceptance rates varied by field, but could be as low as 20%, with many fields between 40-50%.

4.2.3. Apportionment and IT updates – Have met with IT about various website issues, including updates with Ray Travel award website. We now have external committee assignments appropriately displayed on the website. In addition, the apportionment report is nearly ready; IT will do test run soon so that we are ready for next semester to do the apportionment process.

4.2.4. External committee appointments – We are now full; i.e., all external committee assignments are satisfied. In the future, if we have other opportunities to serve on university committees, Crowsley.1 will let folks know. Please contact Crowsley.1 if you would be interested in serving. Will discuss the external and internal committee requirements more at delegate orientations.

4.2.5. Delegate orientations – once the election rerun is complete, which should happen prior to our next meeting, Crowsley.1 will offer delegate orientations. These brief meetings share more details about how CGS works and what happens in the interim between delegate meetings.

4.2.6. Coy.82 also gave a special thanks to Kerry Hodak (advisor) for her help/advice in figuring elections glitch out; we worked to assure people who had voted in departments where we had already had a delegate were not allowed to vote twice.

4.3. Secretary Lang.279

4.3.1. Reminded constituents to send her news items and events. Asked delegates to make sure they sign in and let alternates know they should sign in under the name of who they are representing that meeting.

4.4. Treasurer Cichon.8

4.4.1. Senate fiscal – Fiscal has requested a new ad hoc committee to review the budget model; this committee is tasked with reviewing the budget model for the whole university. We went through the whole structure as it currently stands, Cichon.8 noted she would keep everyone abreast as this moves forward. Coy.82 noted these are really important questions and at some point we will want graduate student feedback about what changes may make sense.

4.5. Chief of Staff Wiggins.106

4.5.1. No report

5. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

5.1. Grants Administration Sandoval.32

5.1.1. Career Development (CDG) - the next round of submissions ends November 1st. Our goal is to have the website up next spring (2014). Coy.82 reminded delegates that the CDG has increased to \$350 and to forward on the CGS news editions Lang.279 sends out (which contains the reminders about Ray Travel and CDG)

5.2. Diversity & Inclusion

Bryson.53

5.2.1. Had really successful event on September 30 (i.e., connecting with faith in the academy) there were 5-6 panelist representing different faith based groups on campus and how they participate in community service. A reading group has been created based off the event, and one of the attendees has become a member of the Diversity and Inclusion committee.

5.2.2. Next event – Hollow Interactive Documentary (see <http://cgs.osu.edu/blog/hollow-interactive-documentary/>). There will be a screening and discussion with the director, Elaine McMillion, on 1/16/2014. It is a documentary about life in a dying Appalachian county, McDowell County, and how these rural communities are trying to revive themselves. Bryson.53 is trying to coordinate a corresponding graduate student event with the director later, perhaps a dinner discussion. Can use Google Chrome browser to interact (<http://hollowdocumentary.com>).

5.2.3. Women in the academy event needed to be pushed back to November. Please look out for updated details. Bryson.53 thanked delegates for forwarding the CGS news/updates so that graduate students know about these events.

5.3. SERC

Mills.532

5.3.1. Family emergency not able to be there – Coca Cola grant for sustainability is on blog (<http://cgs.osu.edu/blog/coca-cola-student-sustainability-grant/>).

5.4. Governmental Relations

Rochman.2

5.4.1. Looking for new delegates interested in helping to work on CGS governing documents. Want to clean up constitution, bylaws and standing rules to make more nimble and concise.

5.5. Health & Wellness

Deshpande.39

5.5.1. Will be sending out doodle Pole for climbing event (see <http://cgs.osu.edu/blog/cgs-climbing-event-at-arc/>). It will be held Saturday, 11/2 from 8 to noon at the ARC.

5.6. International Relations

Dong.209

5.6.1. We are beginning a professional mentorship program and piloting this idea within the College of Pharmacy. Right now there is a small committee composed of a Graduate Student, the Graduate Studies chair and a faculty member drafting the proposal, then this will be approved by the Graduate Studies Committee. The purpose of the Graduate Professional Mentorship program is to provide a mentor outside a student's advisor, to help network outside academia. This project is what the international concerns committee is currently working on, but it is not limited to international students; it is career mentorship for all. Once again, focusing on College of Pharmacy currently, but could serve as template for other colleges to follow. Dong.209 noted she is still looking for other delegates to serve on her

committee.

5.7. Academic Relations

krygowski.5

5.7.1. No news – please email with any academic related questions or issues

5.8. Communications

vang.18

5.8.1. Reminded delegate's about funding request - \$200 to fund an activity that is department gathering w/your constituents - must be on campus, cannot fund alcohol, geared toward social gathering. Application to apply for funds – CGS website under Communications committee (see <http://cgs.osu.edu/blog/delegate-outreach-request/>). Delegate question - can the money be used to fund multiple events. Cichon.8 – yes. Cichon.8 and Vang.18 encourage all to apply and take advantage of this opportunity. Kerry Hodak, also noted based on the current rules, could have one event each term technically, money has been “first come first serve,” as thus far it has never been abused. Small.122 asked so you can have more than one? Hodak, Cichon and Vang – yes; as of now only 12 requests out of over 60 delegates.

5.8.2. Still communicating via Facebook/Twitter – please “like” or “follow.”

5.9. Ray Travel Award

Cichon.8

5.9.1. CDG and Ray Travel – next deadline is November 1st – reminded delegate that the Ray travel is up to \$750 to present at a conference. There is now a standard committee together to judge the Ray Travel award and this committee will judge all remaining funding periods this academic year (i.e., 3rd and 4th). There are still a few open spots on the committee and Cichon.8 is looking for volunteers, please email if you are interested in joining the committee. Cichon.8 noted it is a really good experience; i.e., if you have gotten the award before it is a good way to give back, and if you want to apply in the future, you get an inside view of how the process works. She noted if you are worried you may apply in the future, you can still join the committee, we can work around this and take you off judging the period you apply.

6. DISCUSSION

6.1. Delegate Issues and Concerns

6.1.1. Coy.82 briefly discussed the recent OUAB family event, a fantastic pumpkin painting event at Buckeye village – it was great, super cute loads of fun! Coy.82 noted that this showed how much we need to work on programming at Buckeye Village; this community needs our support and we hope to look for additional ways to do some good programming there.

6.1.2. Conrad.245 asked about a graduation grant? Coy.82 noted this was an initiative of the previous administration which they instituted that as a pilot program. Coy.82 noted some of the ethical issues with giving someone an award for materials that he/she could then resale. Instead of continuing the graduation grant, we have chosen to pump up the CDG. In addition, the Business office was uncomfortable with the graduation grant, it potentially violated rules that dictate students should not personally benefit from the student activity fee. There was some discussion about whether the graduate grant could be funded from the Coke grant funds we receive, which are supposed to fund professional development, but doing such

would not seem to be in line with the mission of these funds. Curzon.1 – asked about investigating the fees associated with graduation, e.g., \$40 to put dissertation on microfilm. Hopp.8 – asked why should we have to pay for something that is required by the university? Discussion of making dissertation available on ProQuest. Krygowski.5 agreed to look into these issues and fees associated with graduate student graduation.

6.1.3. Crowsley.1 - Hollow Documentary is now on blog

6.1.4. Pucker.1 asked about when the next executive committee meeting will be?

Lang.279 agreed to email everyone the consensus (November 15th).

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

7.1. Additional Autumn Meeting Dates

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| 7.1.1. Executive Committee Meeting [^] | November 15th, 2013 |
| 7.1.2. 4 th Autumn Delegate Meeting | November 22, 2013 |
| 7.1.3. Executive Committee Meeting | December, TBD |
| 7.1.4. 5 th Autumn Delegate Meeting [*] | December 13, 2013 |

[^]Needed to Reschedule the Executive Committee Meeting on 11/8/13 due to NAGPS Conference

^{*}May be canceled at executive committee's discretion

Resolution 1314-AU-009

A Resolution in Support Ohio HB 111, Granting Voting Privileges to Student Trustee members

Author: Josh Coy (.82), President

Sponsor: The Executive Committee

WHEREAS The Council of Graduate Students (CGS) is the representative body of all graduate students enrolled in The Ohio State University (established by Article II.1 of the CGS Constitution); and

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees of The Ohio State University serves as the highest level of governance for the University; and

WHEREAS shared governance plays an essential role in the strategic actions aimed at fulfilling the University's purpose and goals; and

WHEREAS the graduate students of The Ohio State University have a vested interest in the future of the institution; and

WHEREAS student members of the Board of Trustees currently serve without voting privileges; and

WHEREAS decisions by the Board of Trustees ultimately affect the future of the institution and directly impact students; and

WHEREAS Ohio House Bill 111 (HB111) has been introduced by primary sponsors Representatives Duffey and Stinziano; and

WHEREAS HB111 would grant voting powers on the Board of Trustees to student members and prohibit student members from being disqualified for receiving financial assistance;

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Council finds the actions taken within HB111 to be necessary and appropriate for the health of the University; and

LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED that the Council directs the President of CGS to advocate for this position on behalf of the Council to all appropriate members of the Ohio House of Representatives, Senate, the Governor of Ohio, all relevant committees, and any other Statehouse leadership deemed necessary.

Date Approved _____

Josh Coy, President
The Council Of Graduate Students
The Ohio State University