



**Council of Graduate Students**  
**The Ohio State University**

## Delegate Meeting Agenda

**Date:** October 17, 2014  
3<sup>rd</sup> 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 September 19<sup>th</sup> Meeting, approved**

### **3. GUEST SPEAKER, JOSH SADVARI.1, RESEARCH COMMONS**

3.1. Manager of the developing research commons, PhD Student

3.2. Coming in targeted to and for graduate students

3.3. Graduate students don't feel there are places on campus dedicated to graduate students to use for research, this will be that place

3.4. Research commons allows different disciplines or departments to come together and work together and network and just learn from each other

3.5. [library.osu.edu/researchcommons](http://library.osu.edu/researchcommons)

3.6. [researchcommons@osu.edu](mailto:researchcommons@osu.edu)

3.7. Josh is open to come to any department to talk about the commons and get feedback

3.8. Sandoval.32- where will the consultants come from? Josh- There will be existing faculty and staff from library as well as additional staff hired. Also partnering with other groups/offices (office of research, IRB, etc)

3.9. Difranco.3- How do you make an appointment? Josh- Ultimately most will be done through the website once the space is open. Consultations can happen in or outside of the space

3.10. Space set to open in January, 2016. Site is already open and there are already websites

3.11. Anderson.2299- Where will space be? Josh- 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the 18<sup>th</sup> Ave Library  
Anderson.2299- It is reserved for graduate students? Josh- No but that is who we are targeting. Anyone would be able to come in and get research space

3.12. Delegate- Are you guys collaborating with UCAT? Josh- We aren't at the moment because what we are focusing on is different but there is possible collaboration

3.13.Wedin.1- Research isn't the same across disciplines. How will it be general for all types of research? Josh- it is not exclusive to any area. There are some areas that are developing for some areas that don't have adequate support. We might have specific targeted programs eventually but that will depend on the interest of the departments

3.14.Odden.2- You can provide some resources that aren't available at the department level. You can assess the need and maybe you can't meet all the needs, maybe you can pull from the resources from the graduate students to help run workshops and groups Josh- Yes I left that out. The groups might not be run by staff but rather could be run by experienced graduate students. So if any of you are specialists and want to let me know then I can contact you about opportunities

3.15. Oti.4- Are you familiar with the steam factory- Josh- yes we are working with them to collaborate and possibly offer some of the same programs

3.16. Schunn.1- What will the space look like? Josh- the workshop space will only be set up that way all the time, but will be configured as study areas the rest of the time. There will group study rooms, conversation areas, dedicated work areas

3.17.Delegate- Thompson Library offers storage space. Could there be locker space there? Josh- we are thinking about building in locker space in group rooms or something like that

3.18. Anderson.2299- What is in the space now Josh- there is some empty area that used to be the digital union. The rest is nonquiet study area

3.19.Delegate- How is this different from other spaces like in Thompson? Josh- It is different because it is focused on research related services. It brings people who are not in the libraries into the spaces. You can be confident that people in there are working on things that are similar to yours. There will also be technology offered that isn't available other places. Can test out new programs to get a gauge of the demand for these programs. Delegate- How are you going to police this. Josh- The welcome desk will help with this by asking them what they are there for. Getting the mentality in place early on

3.20.Delegate- 18<sup>th</sup> Ave is open for 24 hours, what will this be open. Josh- We are looking to see what times it should be open for research. Off hours will be open to other people

3.21.Wedin.1- When you talk about it it sounds like you want people to be able to overhear conversations and be able to start conversations and connect with others when there is a lot of quiet space? Josh- it depends on what is going on in the space that day. Workshops and other things will be conducive to this collaboration and conversations.

3.22. Coy.82- Make sure to go back to your departments and get feedback. Let's get back together in the spring and talk through some of these things

#### **4. OFFICER REPORTS (SEE ATTACHED)**

##### **4.1 President**

**Coy.82**

**4.1.1 Morgan Cichon (treasurer last year) will be interim for the month.**

**4.1.2 About David Rochman- There is not much I can tell you about that right now because there is an ongoing investigation. Hopefully we**

will be able to talk about it in the next month or two following the investigation

**4.2 Vice President**

**Bowman.979**

- 4.2.1 We have posters for the Hayes Forum. Please grab one or two to put up in your department.
- 4.2.2 We held the first grants workshop yesterday. It went well. The second one will be next week.
- 4.2.3 Our treasurer position is now open so we need to have an emergency election. Nominations will open today. The election will be held at the next delegate meeting.
- 4.2.4 Are there any nominations. Bowers.461 nominates himself.
- 4.2.5 Holmes.190- Hayes Forum- People do not understand the rubric that is used by the judges. So when they get acceptance or rejection to understand what the score means Bowman.979- sometimes the feedback is not useful. We will work to make the feedback more useful.
- 4.2.6 Hammil.14- Has it been sent out? Bowman.979 we have been sending out to departments and out to newsletters that get to graduate students. Schunn.1- An email about Hayes went to all graduate studnets.
- 4.2.7 Rhamish.15- I didn't any emails Schunn.1- Please email me.
- 4.2.8 Kelley- Why is the rubric not available? A lot of places the rubric is available.

**4.3 Secretary**

**Schunn.1**

- 4.3.1 Sending out emails. Please let me know if you don't get them so I can make sure you are added. I will be sending my next one out Sunday or Monday so please look for it.
- 4.3.2 Check the website for updates and events in between emails. There are always things there you can share with your departments.

**4.4 Treasurer**

**Open**

**4.5 Chief of Staff**

**Bowers.461**

- 4.5.1 Remember to keep hosting delegate events and apply for the delegate outreach grant.

**5. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS (SEE ATTACHED)**

- 5.1.1. ACADEMIC RELATIONS HOLOWACZ.1
- 5.1.2. ARTS AND CULTURE DIFRANCO.33
- 5.1.3. COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH VANG.18
- 5.1.4. DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION CAMPBELL.1651
- 5.1.5. GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS TULL.20
  - 5.1.5.1. *New chair*
- 5.1.6. GRADUATE STUDENT HOUSING SKUBIC.1

5.1.7.	GRANTS ADMINISTRATION	SANDOVAL.32
5.1.8.	HEALTH AND WELLNESS	RUDERMAN.5
	5.1.8.1.	Have flyers for a Q and A on Health insurance Event
5.1.9.	INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CONCERNS	ANDERSON.2299
5.1.10.	SENATE ADVISORY	KRYGOWSKI.5
5.1.11.	SERC	FAZE.6
5.1.12.	UNIVERSITY AREA COMMISSIONER	ODDEN.2
5.1.13.	AD HOC ON CHILDCARE	GAMBREL.15

## 6. NEW BUSINESS

### 6.1. Any Delegate Issues and Concerns

6.1.1. Coy.82- HighBall wristbands are available down in the lobby. You can get two. Please let me know what it is like this year.

6.1.2. Difranco.33- Have had issues with the library losing books that you either return or never get delivered. There is no process in place to fight it

6.1.2.1. Odden.2- Craig? does advocacy for the library. You can sometimes get it off the shelf or just make sure to get a receipt when you return it. We can bring this issue to Cotalit.

6.1.2.2. Oti.4- Issue brought to me by a graduate student- The leader of the house committee has decided he will look into NSF grants and decide as worthy. A lot of the social sciences are being deemed frivolous. He is sending people to look into the grants. This is foregoing the grant proposal process.

6.1.2.2.1. Showalter.53- There is such a low funding rate in general. Is there any proof?

6.1.2.2.2. Oti.4- There is a quote that the SBS are not in the national interest

6.1.2.2.3. Odden.2- Is there a committee that can handle this? We could put it to committee and get something written up

6.1.2.2.4. Coy.82- We're setting up a meeting with Amy Baker so we can bring it up. We will be at SAGE and see if we can address it as a group

6.1.2.2.5. Delegate- Who is the senator? Oti.4- Lemar Smith

6.1.2.2.6. Nugent.40- Anthropology has been reviewed a lot by the senator. Some have written the senators to express concerns. Coy.82- If you are in Columbus it's Joyce

6.1.2.2.7. Anderson.2299- We should get more research into this before we move on it. This gets pulled out every election cycle.

6.1.2.2.8. Eismen.21- There is only one deadline for some ABSA does a lot of advocacy on this issue.

6.1.2.2.9. Coy.82 – we will send it to committee and talk at sage

6.1.3. Sandoval.32- Have you looked into the issue of the number of undergrads working in the office? Coy.82- They want me to go talk to them. We talked to HR about that. Want us to go straight to student services.

**6.1.4.Diamond.135-** issue in department- students on a GA appointment are automatically enrolled in OPERS. They don't really say anything. You can't really get out of it until the next year.

**6.1.4.1.Difranco.33-** one way to help your department is to have a financial representative come in and explain this to your department. You can contact them and have it all given back or moved to another account.

**6.1.4.2.Wanske.1-** Someone was told that you cannot get your money back until you are not employed for a full 12 months. But then you might not get it for 5 years or so.

**6.1.4.3.Diamond.135-** They don't want to be automatically enrolled.

**6.1.4.4.Hamilton.879-** Had this issue happen to me and our person was able to get money back and unenrolled.

**6.1.4.5.Ramsden.2-** I went to Ohio State for undergrad- You can get your money back 6 months and you are not automatically enrolled every year.

**6.1.4.6.Ramesh.15-** How much does it match?

**6.1.4.7.Cichon-** if you come on a fellowship then you are never told.

**6.1.4.8.Gambrel.15-** I was enrolled for a time then I became unenrolled. But I had been contributing for a number months there is a penalty you pay if you are not so much invested with them. So you would lose some of that money each month or year until no longer associated with the university

**6.1.4.9.Munnely.3-** There is a form that you filled out your paperwork to unenroll.

**6.1.4.10.Kahn,130-** Refer to a committee- Seconded. Referred to academic relations. All in favor, nobody opposed

**6.1.5.** No more issues.

## **7. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **7.1. Autumn 2014 Semester Meetings and Special Dates**

7.1.1. Friday, November 21, 2014, 3:30 pm, 4th Autumn Delegate Meeting: Union Senate Chambers

7.1.2. Friday, December 5, 2014 3:30 pm, CGS Executive Committee Meeting, CGS Office