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 November 21st Meeting, no objections

3. GUESTS (SEE ATTACHED)
   3.1. NANCY THOMPSON- DIRECTOR STUDENT LIFE- BUCKEYE CAREERS
      - Buckeye careers- careers.osu.edu
      - Primarily virtually oriented and work with employers
      - Created in 2011
      - Work with employers more than students
      - 3 key components:
        - Buckeye OnPACE
          - Online modules
        - Buckeye Career Networks
          - Job postings
          - Part of office’s role is to educate employers
          - 4100 employers posted unique positions (that got approved)
      - Buckeye Internships
        - Consulting piece with employers
        - Targeting small and mid-sized companies
        - Hosted university wide fair
      - Questions
        - Difranco.33- CGS offers career development grant. How could you help with career plan needed for application
          - Would go to career counseling for this
        - Delegate- International students aren’t sure if internships are for them. Are you asking employers to be more informative about this
          - Talk to employers about offering opportunities for international students
          - Also trying to work with organizations on campus to leverage some of those relationships
        - Delegate- Suggest to have separate section or something
- Will take that into consideration
  - Elizabeth Sandoval- Alumni services- is there a time when alumni can no longer use buckeye careers
    - It varies by college. You can go to website to look at the different colleges websites (different names)
  - Eric H.3- Career fairs are open to graduate students. There is a big difference between MA and PhD students. Didn’t seem open to PhD students
    - I agree. Part is helping them understand about PhD students

3.2. Christina Rideout- Direct- Career Counseling and Support Services

- Student life career connection
- In Younkin success center, 2nd floor
  - Can make appointments or go to walk-in
- Graduate students did not know we existed
- Serving since 90s
- Career landscape is changing rapidly
- Career well-being is part of our overall well-being so it is very important
- Have 4 professional staff and 2 graduate students
- Successful outcomes, ways we help students
  - Connecting interests, values and skills to work
  - Aiding in development of interest
  - Encouraging students to test their ideas (research, internships, etc)
  - Customized attention on how to present yourselves
  - Listening and helping with personal concerns that relate to careers
  - Implementing decisions of how to do a job search
  - Informing students about other resources on and off campus
- Services
  - Appointments are confidential
  - Career assessments and workshops
  - Assisting with graduate school applications
  - Help with graduate school expo
  - Partnerships with other groups: OUAB, UCAT, etc
  - Career counseling: decision making, action plans, etc
  - Career assessments: strengths finders, etc
  - Help with CVs and cover letters, interview skills, salary negotiation, transferability of skills, converting to resumes, job searches
  - Workshops and group counseling- allows students to connect with each other (last year did 140 workshops- 13 graduate student focused)
  - OnPACE- modules to help students available online
  - Questions-
    - Dabowski.5- Available to recent grads?
      - Eligible to two sessions
      - Eligible for alumni career services
4. OFFICER REPORTS (SEE ATTACHED)

4.1 President Coy.82

- Adoptive parental leave- looks like have a go-ahead from most everyone. The ball is the graduate school’s court.
  
  o Difranco.33- Is it for 75% appointments- Coy.82- It would be for everyone. Difranco is it paternal and maternal? Coy.82- maternal and adoptive for both parents

  o Erica H- what is the current policy? Coy.82- 6 week for birth parents, 3 weeks for adoptive

- For the 5 hour additional appointment. Have things put together. There was a miscommunication on how things are divided. Have clarified the situation.

- GCBC- Report is written. Just needs a couple pieces of info. There are some heavy budgetary things going on. Want us to ask for a little less. Committee decided on $1,000 increase per year. Asking for it to be centrally paid (not from departments) for the three years

  o What we’re talking about is the minimum being increased. Not everyone

- Days on the Hill March 20-25 for SAGE

  o Send Josh an email if you are interested in going

- Next month nominations for officers open

- Council of Student Affairs is chaired by a student. Hasn’t been chaired by a graduate student in a while. Elections are at end of semester.

- P.190- ASC funding cuts are told to affect current students

  o Coy.82- we will look into it
4.2 Vice President      Bowman.979

- Still need volunteers for the Haye’s Forum. Email Michael.
- Make sure you are still attending all your committee appointments.
- Elections are open to all graduate students.
- Delegate- Is volunteering all day?
  - Bowman.979- Can work with that
- Delegate- Is there any info on acceptance rate and number of abstracts accepted?
  - Bowman.979- Don’t know off hand.
- Difranco.33- Going to the writing center helped to make it legible for other areas
  - Bowman.979- Need to write it for a very broad/general audience
- Oti.4- What do I say when my constituents ask where the judges are picked from
  - Bowman.979- Some judges may have very different opinions. But there are multiple judges and the scores are averaged.
  - It would be great to encourage faculty to judge for the Forum
- Pillai.30- Will statistical data be available?
  - Hodak.- It varies greatly year to year and by area. Giving a general acceptance rate is not going to be helpful.

4.3 Secretary      Schunn.1

- Will be sending email out on Sunday/Monday.
- COAM information (see report)
  - Showalter- We had her come and talk, it was very helpful

4.4 Treasurer      Bowers.461

- The money is handled by the staff.
- The treasurer is to track the expenses and report it back to delegates.
- The last treasurer was not appropriately tracking. Got 3 months entered and have 3 more months to get entered. Will have a report at the next meeting
- 220,000 budget and at 104,000 at 6 months.
- Ray Travel Award- The next deadline is March 27- There will be another grants workshop on March 4 in the Thompson library.
  Go.osu.edu/cgsGrantsWorkshop
• If recommendation is not complete on time then the application is not accepted. There is no notification if incomplete or late.

• You do get an email if accepted for evaluation, so make sure you get it.

• Will be sending an email out to the Ray committee soon to get together

• Delegate- Feriby.2-The travel site, no winners are listed. Some

• Camille- If there is a conference just after funding period. What to do?
  o Cichon- The dates will about the same time as this last year.

• Ferriby.2- I think it would be better to standardize based on calendar year.
  o Cichon.8- Part of the frustration is we moved from quarters.

• Hodak- Deadlines are posted at the beginning of the summer. Talk to your constituents. You apply for the award before you get your acceptance.

• Pillai.30- If you get the award but do not get to go to conference, can you apply again?
  o Coy.82- Yes. Hodak- And if you do not use the whole 750 you can apply again.

4.5 Chief of Staff

• Senate fiscal has put forth a proposal to strengthen the process to apply for course fees.

• Think there needs to be student oversight on this. Keep an eye on your departments and see if there are any fees that pop up that you weren’t consulted on.

5. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS (SEE ATTACHED)

5.1.1. ACADEMIC RELATIONS

• Supplemental insurance policy
  o Passed in 2007
  o Money from students is used to help with evacuations, etc. This is similar to other universities
  o Odden.2- If your insurance meets the needs then why do you have to get OSU supplemental insurance?

5.1.2. ARTS AND CULTURE

• Feb 15- Clay Café event- not finalized quite yet

• March- Pizutti Collection

• Service Day
• May- Gallery Hop event

5.1.3. COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH VANG.18
5.1.4. DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION CAMPBELL.1651
• Two events after Spring break- possibly planetarium

5.1.5. GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS TULL.20
5.1.6. GRADUATE STUDENT HOUSING SKUBIC.1
  5.1.6.1. Have a housing survey. Will be sending it out to Josh and everyone soon.

5.1.7. GRANTS ADMINISTRATION SANDOVAL.32
• Career Development- Next deadline is March 27

• Global Gateway Grant is open- deadline is Feb 20. Needs to be summer research abroad

5.1.8. HEALTH AND WELLNESS RUDERMAN.5
• Look for emails later this semester

5.1.9. INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CONCERNS ANDERSON.2299
• Museum event went great. Had about 280 total

• International students if you are driving in Ohio: if you are driving without an Ohio driver’s license. You can still face a first degree misdemeanor which means jail time. There are about charges a month on this.

5.1.10. SENATE ADVISORY KRYGOWSKI.5
5.1.11. SERC FAZE.6
• Movie night coming up

5.1.12. UNIVERSITY AREA COMMISSIONER ODDEN.2
• Meeting with representative- If you have any issues please let him know

5.1.13. AD HOC ON CHILDCARE GAMBREL.15
• Will have a final report soon

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1. Act 1415-SP008
• Purpose is to clarify attendance policy for Senators

• Senator position is very important. Delegate meetings are important to hear from delegates

• so they know how they want us to vote.

• Open for discussion. Kahn.30 called to questions. Holowacz seconds. All approved.

6.2. Any Delegate Issues and Concerns
• Megan Miller- Serves on student health insurance committee- try to pay out .85 on the dollar. Right now they are paying out almost dollar for dollar. Asking for plans and will have a new one for next year.
  o Threw out there that maybe should charge undergrad and grad students differently.

• Ruderman- Do they have any data about how many undergrads are on their parents plans too and maybe using that?
  o Megan- Don’t have data on that but can ask

• Hodak- Do they give you historic data
  o Megan- It doesn’t really compare across years

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS
7.1. Spring 2014 Semester Meetings and Special Dates
  7.1.1. Friday, February 13, 2015 CGS Executive Committee Meeting, 3:30pm, Office
  7.1.2. Friday, February 20, 2015 Edward F. Hayes Graduate Research Forum
  7.1.3.2nd Delegate Meeting: Friday, February 27, 2015, 3:30 pm, Senate Chambers
  7.1.4. Dates listed here: https://cgs.osu.edu/administration/meeting-dates/