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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.

Coy.82 Recognized and welcomed new members. Housekeeping details- use of placards when speaking, voting etc.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 2.1. Minutes from April 18th Meeting

- 2.1.1. Minutes were approved as amended, April 18th corrected date

3. OFFICER REPORTS

3.1. President

Coy.82

- 3.1.1. Noted written reports for future meetings. Continuing issues:

3.1.1.1. Adoptive parental leave parity with birth parent leave: moving forward. There looks to be broad base of support across faculty staff and students for achieving the same policies for adoptive parents as apply to birth parents

3.1.1.2. Presidential Fellowship award: Reviewing demographics of awards

3.1.1.3. Work hour requirements for GTAs and Fellows in various schools

3.1.1.4. New officer team working together well looking forward to next year.

3.1.1.5.

3.2. Vice President

Bowman.979

3.2.1. Finishing up delegate elections 73 out of 130 delegates elected. Currently 41 departments with no representation as of yet.

3.3. Interim Secretary

Lang.279

3.4. Treasurer

Rochman.2

3.4.1. Meeting refreshments budget requires some additional allocation of funds because of increased costs of catering. Requires a change in standing rules to keep pace.

3.4.2. Please return placards when leaving the meeting.

4. SECRETARY ELECTIONS

4.1. Secretary elections (candidate CVs in packet)

Bowman.979

4.1.1. Meghan Harley.23

4.1.2. Morgan Schunn.1

4.1.2.1. Bowman.979 opened the election procedure. Each candidate allowed up to 10 minutes to introduce self; delegate Q&A of candidates; discussion and vote.

4.1.2.1.1.1. Schunn.1 Introduced herself: Currently MA/PhD student in communications. Completed BA at OSU. Clarified roles and expectations with current secretary. Discussed how her experience and abilities mesh with responsibilities of secretary. Noted possible need for a communications policy regarding when CGS contacts graduate student body as a whole and discussed experience with setting in place such policies.

4.1.2.1.1.2. Harley.23 introduced herself: Part-time student and full-time employee MS/MBA 2nd year, working fulltime for non-profit research institute. Spoke with current secretary to clarify duties. Spoke to how personal experience and abilities mesh with demands of secretary's position. Time management abilities, entrepreneur in addition to working full-time and being a student. Experienced coordinating large scale philanthropic efforts.

4.1.2.1.2. Q&A from delegates

4.1.2.1.2.1. Sandoval.36 asked about how each candidate plans adjusting current schedules to allow for demands of position. Both candidates provided answers demonstrating awareness of schedule demands and plans for handling them.

4.1.2.1.2.2. Delegate asked how each candidate will be involved if not elected. Answers included: being open to adding to current volunteer duties; being open to committee duties and exploring the open delegate seats.

4.1.2.1.2.3. Anderson.2299. Motion to extend discussion 3 minutes. Motioned seconded. Motion carried.

4.1.2.1.2.4. Anderson.2299 asked candidates to restate names and asked whether candidates would be on campus this summer as well as past experience in student government. Both will be present over the summer. Limited experience with student government but both had undergraduate experience with student life efforts.

4.1.2.1.3. Candidates and all those not voting left the room. Delegate Discussion. Ballots distributed.

4.1.2.1.4. Schunn.1 elected secretary.

5. NEW BUSINESS

COY.82 CALLED MEETING BACK TO ORDER

5.1. ACT 1415-SU-001: An Act Establishing CGS Meeting Dates 2014-15 (see attached)

5.1.1. Coy.82 introduced proposed schedule. No discussion. No objections, motion approved.

5.2. ACT 1415-SU-002: An Act Establishing the 2014-15 Standing Committees (see attached)

5.2.1. Coy.82 introduced committee structure. Arts/Culture and Graduate Student

Housing are new committees. Invited delegates not on a committee to talk with him about possible appointment. Discussion Ferriby.2 asked about Arts/Culture committee's work with other groups. Coy.82 explained the differences. A Delegate asked about potential duties of graduate student housing committee. Coy.82 explained potential issues the proposed committee would attend to. Oti.4 asked about which committee works on transportation and parking. Coy.82 explained the various external university committees that work with those issues. Delegate asked whether name of committee ought to include transportation. Coy.82 noted that that would require an amendment. A Delegate asked about whether off campus students needing help with landlords might be a potential issue for committee. Coy.82 agreed and suggested student legal services as possible additional resource. Motion Approved

5.3. ACT 1415-SU-003: An Act Amending the Composition of the Executive Committee of The Council of Graduate Students (see attached)

5.3.1. Coy.82 introduced reasons for adding University Area Student Commissioner to CGS Exec Committee. Discussion. Gambrel.15 asked clarification about how appointments are made. Coy.82 clarified this is mostly a duty of the Vice President, there are some positions appointed by the President or outlined within our Constitution. OHI?? Delegate asked about Exec Committee seats not being elected by CGS. Coy.82 explained membership of Exec Committee. Anderson.2299 asked about other positions appointed by the President. Coy.82 explained constitutional requirements of chairs' appointments. No objections, motion approved.

5.4. RES 1415-SU-004: A Resolution in Support of GCBC Stipend Increase Recommendations (see attached)

5.4.1. Coy.82 introduced GCBC's work and their report recommending increases for GA stipends for \$1500/year for 3 additional years. Brewster.81 asked about possible next steps for university's process. Coy.82 explained next possible steps. Delegate raised concern that more might be required if not even keeping track with cost of living. Delegate suggested that Senate committee hasn't asked for enough. Coy.82 noted that if it goes through the stipend will be doubled over 6 year period, also raised concern that higher stipends result in smaller number of GA's. Coy.82 noted he believed in need for unified front between CGS and GCBC. Fuller.308 was on the GCBC committee and explained the process through which they determined the 1500 figure. Delegate reported Fellowship recipients have been notified of increase and asked whether increases would be equitable. Green.1627 asked about whether past increases in stipends cost either led to loss in positions or increases in tuition. Coy.82 noted that no positions were lost to his understanding. Coy.82 noted that we might be approaching consequences of either reduced numbers of stipend recipients or cost shifting to tuition paying students. Ratte.1 asked whether this recommendation just related to minimum. Ratee.1 asked about disparities across departments in terms of expectations of student workers. Anderson.2299 asked for clarification as to why a greater increase isn't being sought. Coy.82 explained the logic of attempting to ask for realistically attainable figure. Follow up question regarding process for real cost of living tie in. O'Dell.98 asked about percentage across board increase rather than for a minimum and why not ask for real cost of

living. Coy.82 explained that while we aren't where we would like to be, we are in better position and closing in on cost of living. Follow-up question why not ask for standard of living now. Coy.82 explained that with the challenges university faces it might be prudent to work with them. Motion approved.

5.5. ACT 1415-SU-005: An Act Concerning the Options of National Representation for the Council of Graduate Students (see attached)

5.5.1. Coy.82 introduced proposed constitutional amendment in its first reading.

Last meeting CGS voted unanimously to cease membership in NAGPS. Subsequent to the meeting it was found that CGS constitution currently requires continuing membership.

Proposed amendment remedies the situation. Coy.82 reported that he has begun working with SAGE, new group primarily land grant universities. Discussion: Delegate noted appreciating flexibility but raised concern about president being the primary contact. Coy.82 noted that can be a designee. Follow-Up question: Why is this written into the constitution? Rochman.2 noted that change in constitution is required to maintain alignment with CGS vote.

Brewster.81 asked about level of past participation of CGS delegates on national level. Coy.82 reported on past student involvement. Follow-up question: is national opportunity still possible? Coy.82 reported that yes it would be either through SAGE or through CGS itself.

6. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1. Committees not yet formed (see ACT 1415-SU-002)

6.1.1. Sandoval.32 Introduced the Career Development Grant and Global Gateway
Grant asking delegates to encourage their students to apply; she also reported needing judges for the grant application. Please contact VP Bowman if you are willing to volunteer to judge. Showalter.53 asked whether non-delegates could judge. Sandoval.32 noted that all graduate students are able to serve. Delegate asked about judging in application cycles. Delegate asked about current composition of judges. Rochman.2 mentioned that he would be needing judges for Ray Travel Grant, noted that serving as a judge is a great way to gain understanding of what makes a winning application. Eisenman.21 asked about timing of judges' duties. Sandoval.32 noted that it is in the 2 weeks following applications.

6.1.2.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1. Any other Delegate Issues and Concerns

7.1.1. Gambrel.15 brought up needs of childcare for graduate students who are new parents. Waiting list is quite long for university provided child care. Asked whether any committee is looking at this. Coy.82 noted that GCBC could be looking at this. Kerry Hodak also should be notified of this concern. A delegate noted that childcare is large issue for faculty/staff as well. Cichon.8 suggested possible ad hoc committee on child care.
Gambrel.15 proposed the committee and offered to chair it if no one else comes forward.
Motion approved.

7.1.2. Delegate asked about a possible resolution regarding pay of GAs who are international students with certain cost of living income visa requirements. Coy.82 explained

the process for proposing resolutions.

7.1.3.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

8.1. Summer 2014 Semester Meetings and Special Dates

8.1.1. Friday, June 27, 2014 2nd Summer Delegate Meeting, 3:30 pm Senate Chambers, Ohio Union

8.1.2. Friday, July 25, 2014 3rd Summer Delegate Meeting, 3:30 pm Senate Chambers, Ohio Union