



1. Bowers.461 called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM

New delegate welcome – orientations later in the month

1.1. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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

Fitze.1 read the statement of purpose

1.2. From the CGS CODE OF ETHICS

Fitze.1 read one of the statements from the code of ethics

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1. Minutes from June And August Meetings

Corrections to June meeting minutes? No corrections, minutes approved.

Corrections to August meeting minutes. No corrections, approved.

3. Krista Predagovich from Office of Student Life—RUOKBUCKEYE Suicide Prevention

Bowers.461 introduced guest – also graduate student - Predagovich – 4th year working with suicide prevention

How we view suicide / people at risk; what about people who are not on brink? Getting away from the word "commit" – associations with crime/sin; 1 who dies from suicide – 45 attempts – 250 seriously consider.

How to care for/reach the 250?

- 1) Being an advocate for the RUOKBUCKEYE initiative within your academic unit – survey within academic units – 30 have participated. Let grad studies chair know about this, ask staff member to send out survey – anonymous confidential survey. People who fill out survey will get a personalized response and directed towards available resources on campus. May result in changes in curriculum and program.
- 2) Pass out flyers – give to faculty or staff member who cares about student experience
- 3) Suicide Prevention Gatekeeper Training program – pay attention; be aware of warning signs in friends, colleagues, TAs; how to reach out and show concern; which resources can I connect them to? Developed by faculty. Any university that receives state funding must provide basic suicide prevention training – senate bill.
- 4) Over 200 trained. Goal is to train 5000. As a result – certificate + scarlet & grey awareness pin
- 5) Questions:

Wirza.1 How far ahead should an application for training be sent?

At least 2 weeks in advance.

Are there any training programs that are already scheduled?

Open training to anyone on campus or community groups – advertised on website

Eisenman.1 How is it different from UCAT suicide training?

It is the same.

Do you report back on general wellness of students from survey?

8% response rate – generally OK, average; but with higher response rates, sometimes more concern

Puthawala.1 Anonymous AND there is feedback sent to department? Sometimes distrust between grad. students and department administration. Will my status be endangered if I admit I'm depressed? How do we reassure people?

Invitation letter will address some of these questions; the platform is American Foundation for Suicide Prevention; username & password, e-mail encrypted, available for both anonymous and one-on-one conversations without revealing any personal details

Grad Program Coordinator – 30 – filter what you're sharing – only general comments

Academic programs – what if there are several high-risk students and don't know who they are?
Linked to resources; only disclosure if extremely high risk (brink) – ethical and professional obligation

4. Senator Election

Megan Fitze.1 4 senators – 2 dropped out Eva Wollerman, Caitlin M

Kevin E, William Dupont, Marcos Rivera, Valentina S. – only Narcos and Valentina present

Last-minute nominations? None.

Candidates address delegate body, 5 min, 5 min for Q&A – questions address all candidates.

- 1) Marcos Rivera: 1st year in Higher Education and student affairs program. Worked as administrator at NYU and other places. Advising student groups and councils. Serve student needs, make sure voices are heard.
- 2) Valentina S. :Master's student in Educational studies. Organizations that help women & children. Get involved in various organizations and foreign students; agricultural university in Indonesia – large farming population.

Open up floor for questions

Holowacz.1 Senate meeting calendar – did you take a look, able to make both those meetings and these?

Marcos: Yes, available for both meetings, fellowship so flexible time.

Valentina: Yes, available on Fridays, doesn't have class.

Fitze.1 asked candidates to step outside the room for discussion.

Vice President's report on Delegate Elections – 41 seats; glitches in election software; petition packet for open seats – petition to be part of delegate packet; Oct 15th and 21st – new delegate orientation meetings; other times available on request. Hayes Forum date set for February 26th – more information about deadlines will be posted to website.

5. OFFICER Updates

5.1. President

Bowers.461 Sign up for pizza dinners – chance to get to know each other and socialize; some combined with orientation

Met HR representative for committee (??)

E-mails from Provost : Sexual Assault Awareness training available – go through it – Certificate

Transparency – make available online attendance records for delegate, exec meetings and senator attendance at senate meetings.

Student Health Coverage Issue – 3 graduate students have talked about specific challenges; if you've been impacted, talk about it; unexpected co-pays; administration concerned about communicating changes better and for future years. More information.

5.2. Secretary

Pillai.30 Look out for e-mail with events and news to send out to department

Let me know if you have events to publicize on Facebook page or e-mails

5.3. Treasurer

Anderson.2299 No budget because not possible with transfer of funds – budget will be available soon

Career Development Grant & Ray Travel Award – deadline coming up Oct 2nd; successful workshop on 16th

Flyers outside to distribute

Training session for Ray Travel Award on Tuesday for judges

5.4. Chief of Staff

Foste.1 Delegate Outreach Grant – highlight this - \$200 to host events within department, Department of Dance has applied; submit about 2 weeks before to Zak and Roger; 45 seats not filled – if in your college – consider collaborating with a department to recruit more delegates.

Schroder.650: Grad Student Committee + OUAB + CGS -> Chipotle lunch. Talk about grad school and looking for opportunities. Examples also available on website.

Bowers.461 Election results – thanks to all candidates for volunteering time – still opportunity to get involved in other ways – internal & external

Fitze.1 Marcos Rivera is the new senator

Bowers.461 Questions regarding committee chair reports? Any other?

Brad Kahn.130 Cyber attacks; Penn State – monitoring but not able to talk about it; engineering servers shut down; probably reason for server problems and protocol errors; compiling results in November; phishing exercise with security board – ramifications of clicking on link; report-phishing@osu.edu: forward it; not always as obvious as some e-mails can be.

DasGupta.18: Committee Chair Report – Diversity & Inclusion; see me after meeting – Future Faculty

workshop around issues in diversity; President Drake has shown interest; develop curriculum.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1. Any Delegate Issues and Concerns

None

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

7.1. October Meeting: Oct. 23 Ohio Union, Senate Chambers.

Bowers.461 Provost will be guest at meeting. E-mail over next couple of weeks so that questions are addressed. Think of some questions; be as courteous as possible in formulating questions, hospitable. Working on inviting President Drake – probably a special session.

Jonathan Holmes. What kind of questions would be appropriate / within purview?

Bowers.461 Office of Provost website – chief academic officer of university – quite a bit under this heading – grad associates – deans report to him – sustainability efforts go through this office.

Creagan.1 Question from constituents – if registered for Fall semester of following year, why can't they use COTA over the summer, and can CGS do anything over.

Bowers.461 Get back after exec committee meeting

Creagan.1 Fall/Spring main semesters – so could university offer a plan for students not taking summer classes? Maybe pay fee and get access to service.

Eisenman.1: Student fee much lower than the actual fee paid by regular individual to COTA

Wirza.1: Learning management system – transition from Carmen to new system. Faculty are being given opportunity to test the system. Bring any questions.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:48 PM