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 June Meeting

3. Dean Osmer and Assoc. Dean Wallace

4. Senator Election

5. Vice President’s report on Delegate Elections

6. **OFFICER Updates**
   6.1. President Bowers.461
   6.2. Vice President Fitze.1
   6.3. Secretary Pillai.30
   6.4. Treasurer Anderson.2299
   6.5. Chief of Staff Foste.1

7. **NEW BUSINESS**
   7.1. Any Delegate Issues and Concerns

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

At the conclusion of this meeting, please consider attending the Graduate and Professional Student Picnic at the OSU Faculty Club from 4pm-7pm.
Written Reports for CGS Meeting 8/28/2015
Current as of 12:00 PM 8/25/2015

Officer Written Reports

President/David Bowers.461

The past weeks have been a time of great preparation for the new school year. I’ve continued initial meetings with university leaders and administrators. We’ve begun to address topics including the transition in the graduate school as we move into a search for a new dean and issues around graduate associate stipends.

Our new Vice President, Megan Fitze, hit the ground running, handling the many appointments to external and internal committees, as well as laying the ground work for a successful Fall election to fill empty delegate seats.

At our Friday meeting we will hear from Dean Osmer and Assistant Dean Wallace from the graduate School. We will then hope to see everyone at the annual Grad/Professional Welcome picnic following the meeting.

Some of you are aware that for the past couple of weeks I have been handling a family health emergency. I am very grateful to our entire Executive Committee team and officers, and especially Megan and Zak, as well as our staff advisor Kerry, for stepping in to handle the myriad details for Welcome week!

Looking forward to a happy and successful 2015-16!

Vice President/Megan Fitze.1

* We have officially transitioned from Karen Munnelly serving as Vice President to me as of 8/15/15. I am so grateful for all the hard work Karen completed over the summer to make this transition run smoothly. Also thank you, delegates, senators, and executive committee, for your patience during this transitional period.

* The delegate nomination and election dates have been set for the Autumn Semester. Nomination dates are: August 31-Sept 4 and Election dates are Sept 9-Sept 16th

* I have sent requests to all departments with open delegate seats and have received responses of support from 40 departments. Support has ranged from departments asking us to hang posters in their departments to inviting us to speak at events. As such, we have scheduled about 20 events that the members of the Executive team are speaking at to recruit for CGS delegate seats and committee seats.

* I have listed the departments with open delegate seats below. Please help us promote the elections this semester in any way you can. I have extra posters I can make for you to share, but I also encourage you talk to your fellow students about the merits of representing CGS as a delegate or committee member. If you need help with talking points, I am happy to provide you with resources.

* By now you should have all received your internal and external committee assignments. Please let me or our Chief of Staff, Zak Foste, (Foste.1), know immediately if you did not receive your committee assignment or cannot complete your committee duties for any reason.

* I will be holding open office hours regularly as soon as I have established my school schedule for the year. However, feel free to contact me at any time to set up a meeting to simply check-in, get to know each other, or with any questions or concerns.

* We have delegate seats open in the following departments:

College of the Arts: Art · Arts Administration, Education, & Policy · Design · Music
College of Biological Sciences: Biochemistry · Biophysics · Environmental Biology · Evolution, Ecology & Organismal Biology (EEOB) · Microbiology · Genetics · Molecular, Cellular, & Developmental Biology · Botany
Secretary/Guyomar Pillai

Many thanks to the other officers for handling drafting meeting agenda and minutes while I was away this summer.

Please forward any announcements about events your departments are hosting that you would like to publicize.

Consider attending the Fall picnic hosted by OUAB this Friday after the meeting. Volunteers are still needed – if this interests you, please contact Angelina Vega.

A complete report of CGS's budget will be forthcoming.

We have successfully completed the first round selection of the Ray Travel Award. A big thank you to our judges for their commitment to fairness, responsible management of time, and insightful feedback to our applicants.

Please contact anderson.2299 if you would be interested to learn more about serving as a Ray travel judge for the second funding period.

Applications for the second funding period (conferences between December 18-May 3, 2016) are due: October 2, 2015.

For more information, see the website:

https://cgs.osu.edu/funding-opportunities/ray-travel-award/

Over the last two weeks I have been working with our Vice President, Megan Fitze, to notify delegates of their committee placements.

I attended a candidate brunch for one of the two office associate candidates for the student government suite. As of this writing The Office of Student Life was still in the process of reference checks on the two final candidates.
Standing Committee Reports

Elizabeth Sandoval.32, Grants Administration:
Olga Kondratjeva.1, Career Development Grant:

Career Development Grant:

- The summer round of applications went well! There were 20 applications, and 12 awardees.
- The next round of applications is due on October 2, 2015 for activities roughly in the spring semester (December 18, 2015 - May 3, 2016).
- Please remind your delegates of these deadlines, and that they are welcome to apply even if they have not yet received confirmation that they have been accepted into their workshop, conference, etc.
- We have handbills for the coming year! Please distribute these in your department and hang one so your constituents can see it and be encouraged to apply for money.
- Since some delegates may be new, I'll let you know that the purpose of this grant is one of 4 funding opportunities the CGS offers.
- The CDG awards up to $350 for any activity that forwards your graduate career and prepares you to be competitive in the job market. Activities can include, but are not limited to, workshops, internship travel, licensure fees, and study materials.
- Essentially, the only thing the CDG does not fund is research because there are many other grants available for that.
- Even just writing the application helps you to contextualize your goals and how you will reach them.
- More information is available at: http://cgs.osu.edu/funding-opportunities/development_funding/
- If you would like to judge for this award in the fall, please contact Olga Kondratjeva.1.
- Olga has kindly agreed to run the grant this fall while I’m away. Olga has not only won the award, but she has judged for it several times, so she is well-versed in all things CDG. Please lend her your support!
- We need judges from across the university to objectively review applications.
- Since it is an online process, you can judge from home.
- Judges find it an enjoyable experience and learn so much from other applications.

Global Gateway Grant:

- This grant supports summer research abroad, especially in a country in which OSU’s Global Gateway Program already has established collaborative work: China, India, and to come Turkey and Brazil.
- The award is funded equally by the Office of International Affairs, the Graduate School, and CGS.
- I will put out a call for judges around January 2015, and the application will be due around February or March 2016.
- More info. and links can be found at: http://cgs.osu.edu/funding-opportunities/global-gateway-grant/
Colin Odden.2, University Area Commission

University Area Commission meets every 3rd Wednesday in Rm 100 of the Northwood-High Building, 2231 N High St. Meetings are open to the public, who are encouraged to attend. Meeting agendas and minutes are posted at http://universityarea.org/. More frequent updates are posted at https://www.facebook.com/UniversityAreaCommission.

Safety and Crime:
Columbus Police are working with the university to further investigate a robbery that occurred at 11th & College on August 16th. The beginning of the school year is often accompanied by a spike in crime, particularly theft. Students are reminded to keep windows and doors locked regardless where they live, and to take advantage of OSU Off-Campus and Commuter Services’ free alarm and timer program, http://offcampus.osu.edu/safety/enhance-your-home-security/.

Construction:
Campus Partners received City Council approval for a change in zoning that allows them to proceed with sweeping changes along High St between 14th and 17th Aves. This project includes the demolition of many buildings along this stretch and replacement with taller, denser construction including but not limited to a planned hotel and parking garage, as well as a park to be placed at the northeast corner of High St & 15th Ave.

Edwards Construction continues to prepare for construction on a 7-acre parcel between 9th & Euclid Aves directly south of the South Campus Gateway. This project, termed "South Campus Gateway II," includes retail and high-density student-oriented housing along High St. and smaller apartments east of High.


Services:
Power outages have been frequent in the neighborhoods around the University, and the Commission and other area citizen groups are appealing to AEP and City of Columbus for solutions. If you or your constituents live in the area and have experienced frequent or long electrical outages, please forward your reports and concerns to Colin Odden, odden.2@osu.edu.

The City of Columbus ceased its proactive refuse pickup program during the "student move-out" period. If you live in a neighborhood near campus and were affected by the quantity (or quality) of garbage resulting from the mass move, please contact Colin Odden, odden.2@osu.edu.
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EDUCATION

2013-2016 (Expected)  The Ohio State University
Graduate Teaching Associate
Master of Fine Arts, Painting and Drawing

2006-2010  Rhode Island School of Design
Memorial Scholarship
Bachelor of Fine Arts, Printmaking

AWARDS

2015  Alumni Grant for Graduate Research and Scholarship
The Ohio State University, Thesis research

Puffin West Foundation Grant
“Teen’s Narrative Project”

Critical Difference for Women Grant
“Creating a Personal Healing Image,”

2014  Ray Travel Award for Service and Scholarship
Council of Graduate Students, The Ohio State University

Career Development Grant
Council of Graduate Students, The Ohio State University

2013  Individual Artist Grant
Rhode Island State Council on the Arts, Providence, Rhode Island

Finalist, AS220 Print Competition
The Museum of Art at the Rhode Island School of Design

Third Place Award, New York Chapter Printmaking Competition
National Society of Arts and Letters

2012  Featured Artist, Providence BUY ART Campaign
Department of Art Culture and Tourism, Providence, Rhode Island

Second Place Award, Fidelity Investments Juried Exhibition: "Growth"
Providence Art Club, Providence, Rhode Island

Third Place Award, "Juried in July" Exhibition
Sandywoods Gallery, Tiverton, Rhode Island

Honorable Mention, "Statewide" Juried Exhibition
Jamestown Arts Center, Jamestown, Rhode Island

2010  Selection, "Rhode Island School of Design Senior Invitational"
Woods Gerry Gallery, Providence, Rhode Island

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2015  Research Facilitator  "Creating a Personal Healing Image"
Stefanie Spielman Breast Center, James Cancer Hospital, The Ohio State University
In Collaboration with Ann Harding, ART-BC, Art Therapist

Presented Artwork, Southern Graphics Council International Conference
University Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee
In Collaboration with The Big to Print Exchange

2014  Poster Presenter, "The Female Experience of Cancer Seen Through Art"
28th Edward F. Hayes Graduate Research Forum, The Ohio State University
RESEARCH EXPERIENCE (continued)

2014  Poster Presenter, "The Female Experience of Cancer Seen Through Art"
      Pre-Congress Breast Cancer Forum, James Cancer Hospital, The Ohio State University

2010-2011  Artist Assistant, Erminio Pinque, Big Nao Lab, Providence, Rhode Island

2009  Artist Assistant, Jurgen Partenheimer, RISD Editions, Rhode Island School of Design
      Artist Assistant, Dirt Palace, Providence, Rhode Island

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2014-2015  Senator, College of Arts and Sciences, University Senate, The Ohio State University

2014-2015  Chair, Arts & Culture Executive Committee, Council of Graduate Students

2014-2015  Delegate, Department of Art, Council of Graduate Students

2013-2015  President/Vice President, Graduate Student Art Club, Department of Art

2015  Representative for The Ohio State University, SAGE Day on the Hill, Washington, D.C.
      Oral Proctor, Arts, Hayes Graduate Research Forum, The Ohio State University

2013-2014  Graduate Exhibition Coordinator, Department of Art

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

2015  Volunteer, Transit Arts, Columbus, Ohio
      Volunteer, MLK Day of Service, The Ohio State University
      Lead Facilitator, "College Prep Workshop", ROY G BIV Gallery
      Program Facilitator, RISE Youth Program, Godman Guild Community Center, Columbus, Ohio
      Program Facilitator, Kapa Youth, Bexley Library

2014  Artist Volunteer, Weinland Park Storybook Project, Godman Guild Community Center
      Artist Volunteer, Zoom Day, Wexner Center for the Arts, Columbus, Ohio
      Program Facilitator, Flip the Script...REBEL, YMCA of Central Ohio, Columbus, Ohio
      Artist Volunteer, Red Circle, Weinland Park, Columbus, Ohio

2012-2013  Art Application Advisor, College Visions, Providence, Rhode Island

2010-2013  Artist Mentor, New Urban Arts, Providence, Rhode Island

2011  Mentor, Girls Rock Rhode Island, Providence, Rhode Island

RELATED EXPERIENCE

2015-2016  Instructor of Record, Foundations 2D Design & Drawing, Department of Art, The Ohio State University

2015-2016  Intern, Wexner Center for the Arts, Art and Environment Course for Teens

2012  Teaching Artist: Intaglio Printmaking, AS220 Community Printshop, Providence, Rhode Island

2007-2010  Studio Technician: Intaglio, Silkscreen, Lithography, Rhode Island School of Design

2008-2009  Gallery Coordinator, Benson Hall Gallery, Rhode Island School of Design
SELECTED ART EXHIBITIONS

2015

Solo Exhibition  Sean Christopher Gallery, Columbus, Ohio
Solo Exhibition  Mote Gallery, Columbus, Ohio
Solo Exhibition  Kuhn Fine Arts Gallery, Marion, Ohio
Solo Exhibition  Roy G Biv Gallery, Columbus, Ohio

Film Selection  Ohio State Fair, Columbus, Ohio

"Rough Edges"  Thompson Library, The Ohio State University

Film Selection  Society for Photographic Education, New Orleans, Louisiana

"ImageOHIO 2015"  Juried Exhibition, Shot Tower Gallery, Columbus, Ohio

2014

Solo Exhibition  ACOCK Gallery, Columbus College of Art & Design

Viewpoints Mural: Maria DiFranco  Short North Arts District, Columbus, Ohio

"Postcards from Europe"  Fine Arts Library, The Ohio State University

VACANCY/NO VACANCY, Juried Exhibition, Waterloo Arts, Cleveland, Ohio

"Offset"  Urban Art Space, Columbus Ohio

"Where We Left Off"  Fine Arts Library, The Ohio State University

"ImageOHIO 2014", Juried Exhibition, Fort Hayes Shot Tower Gallery, Columbus, Ohio

"Pressure"  LeSo Gallery, Toledo, Ohio

2013

Solo Exhibition, "Recasting Archetypes"  AS220 Gallery, Providence, Rhode Island

"The Printed Peculiarity of Place"  GREEN SPACE Art Gallery, Warwick, Rhode Island

"Big Fat Scary Deal", Juried Exhibition, Purdue University Gallery, West Lafayette, Indiana

2013 Wheaton Biennial "Drawing Out of Bounds"  Wheaton College, Norton, Massachusetts

"Cleveland Connection", Juried Exhibition, Lakeland Community College, Kirtland, Ohio

"RADIUS", Juried Exhibition, KEESEH Studios, Providence, Rhode Island

"Annual Juried Exhibition"  Providence Art Club, Providence, Rhode Island

"Urban Scrawl 7"  400 West Rich Street, Providence, Rhode Island

"Small Works Exhibition"  ROY G BIV Gallery

2012

14th Annual Fidelity Investments Juried Exhibition: "Growth"  Providence Art Club

"Brewing Up a Storm", Juried Exhibition, Bristol Art Museum, Bristol, Rhode Island

"Statewide", Juried Exhibition, Jamestown Arts Center, Jamestown, Rhode Island

"Appearances", Juried Exhibition, Center for Coastal Studies, Provincetown, Massachusetts

"Under the Influence", Juried Exhibition, Footlight Club, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts

"Ten"  Dead Cat Gallery, Providence, Rhode Island

"The City and It's Storyteller's Exhibition"  The Annex, Providence, Rhode Island

PopShop, AS220 Pop-Up Gallery  231 Westminster Street, Providence, Rhode Island
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Summary
MBA candidate graduating from The Ohio State University May 2016 majoring in Strategy and Business Analytics looking for opportunities in the health care and life sciences industries that combine a background in pharmaceutical research with qualitative and quantitative business frameworks to drive growth and profitability while transforming patients’ lives through better treatment outcomes

Experience
Process Improvement Intern, Indiana University Health  
Indianapolis, Indiana June 2015 – August 2015
- Examined patient claims data to monetize the impact of an $80 million, 5 year population health partnership to identify shortcomings between clinical effectiveness and realized financial benefits
- Restructured skilled nursing facility provider network to improve quality of care, decrease average length of stay, and reduce annual nursing facility expense by an estimated $2.6 million

Strategy Consultant, Global Applied Projects – OneHealth  
Bangkok, Thailand March 2015 – May 2015
- Collaborated with a group of OSU MBA students and The OneHealth Initiative to redesign and implement a strategic communications plan for a South East Asia Region public health congress
- Identified, contacted, and met with potential congress sponsors to close a quarter million dollar funding gap

Formulation Scientist, Allergan (formerly Actavis)  
Salt Lake City, Utah May 2011 – July 2014
- Led formulation research, process development, and production support projects focused on transdermal, topical, and transmucosal opioid delivery systems.
- Formulated Allergan’s generic Suboxone which has been accepted by the FDA and launched Q1 2015
- Implemented Quality by Design and Design of Experiments process to improve product quality and accelerate research and development technology transfer to manufacturing
- Spearheaded research for two new dosage forms for the Salt Lake site and built the necessary supplier relationships to support these drug delivery technologies through site visits, video conferences, and teleconferences
- Collaborated closely with legal counsel to identify, evaluate, and track intellectual property for all new research projects in the group

Education
Masters of Business Administration, Strategy and Business Analytics, 3.9/4.0 GPA  
The Ohio State University Max M. Fisher College of Business  
Spring 2016
- University Fellowship Award – Merit-based full tuition scholarship and stipend
- Fisher Elite Leadership Development Program
- Fisher Business Analytics Association Leadership
- Graduate Minor in Statistical Data Analysis
- The Ohio State University - Committee on Academic Misconduct

Bachelor of Arts, Chemistry, Honors Degree, 3.9/4.0 GPA  
The University of Utah  
2013
- Honors at Entrance Scholarship – Four year, merit-based full tuition scholarship

Additional
- Analytics and visualization expertise with SQL, SAS, Tableau, Power BI, and Google Dev tools
- Eagle Scout
- Fluent bilingual English / Brazilian Portuguese, Served as a full-time, self-supported, volunteer representative for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Brazil’s Amazon Basin from September 2007 to September 2009