

CGS Delegate Packet January 2017

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Council of Graduate Students
The Ohio State University

Delegate Meeting Agenda
Jan. 20 2017
1st Spring 2017
Delegate Meeting

Ohio Union Rm 2088A | 1739 N. High Street | Columbus, OH 43210 | (614) 292-4380

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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

1.2. From the CGS CODE OF ETHICS

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER MEETING

3. GUEST SPEAKER:

Dr. Bruce McPherson, Executive Vice President and Provost

4. Officer Updates

- 4.1. President
- 4.2. Vice President
- 4.3. Secretary
- 4.4. Treasurer
- 4.5. Chief of Staff

5. Committee Chair Announcements

6. NEW BUSINESS

- 6.1. Consideration of motion to form ad hoc Housing Committee

6.2. Delegate Concerns

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS: NEXT MEETING Feb. 24, 2017



President Bowers.461 called the meeting to order at 3:39 pm.

Guest Speaker

Dr. Drake, President, OSU

Several good things have happened lately – Fundraising concluded 6 week ago and \$3 billion was raised. OSU has recommitted to being a strong supporter of graduate students; something it had fallen back on for the last few years. OSU has become more selective about the applicants. University will move towards being more supportive of the students from lower income families. We want to improve the quality of teaching – we appreciate the graduate TAs. We want to be known for the teaching quality which should be reflected in your future academic careers. We have been upgrading classrooms and technology.

Election results have turned out differently than what was expected. We don't know the higher education policy of the incoming government. As of now there isn't a concrete policy on education. We are going to focus on things that will work for us regardless of the government policy. We will not modify our course if things don't match with our goal.

We are in a good position to sustain and maintain our momentum.

Themes of some of the questions and snippets of answers from the Q&A session:

Q – Comprehensive energy management plan – voiced resentment about leadership's stand on privatization

A – When there is a proposal, the plan will be evaluated. We have been talking about this for over a year now. There's nothing to say about it now as there is no plan as of yet. We adjust our decision based on students' concern. We will take decisions in the best interest of the university.

Q – What help can be provided to students who commute from other regional campuses – who have to travel for classes and field placements

A – We have dramatically increased the online courses. We have developed a flexible scheduling algorithm for summer and summer course offerings. We are working with our regional campuses to meet requirements of students and faculty. We are working on mobility in campus. We will do what we can to integrate regional campuses.

Q – OSU's commitment to source local and sustainable food sources in the campus. Who decides on the 40% and how are the sources recognized?

A – Works largely through the guidance of the provost who has a degree in agriculture and entomology. We have invested heavily on outreach program to address the 22% food insecurity in the Franklin County. If you want to be more involved, reach out to the provost.

Q – What are your views about Buckeye Village and future family housing?

A – In our continual renewal a portion of Buckeye Village has been assigned for other uses. As residents are moving away, our attempt is to fill the empty spots with new incoming families. Goal is to have highest quality housing and affordability. We will engage in construction or tie up with partners who will provide quality housing.

Approval of minutes

Anderson.2299 – Names should be included with the questions raised in minutes as it adds value to it.

The minutes from the October meeting were presented and were approved unanimously.

Officer Reports

President's Report

- Sorry about the cancelled delegate dinner with the officers.
- Troubling incidents of hate in the campus has had us all concerned.
- Global question about university's commitment to quality housing on campus for families which affect the international students impacts our competitive advantage with the admission process.
- We need to go ahead and take action to say we support graduate students and actions be taken to mitigate the situation.
- Reach suicide prevention seminar will be held during the next delegate meeting

Vice President's Report

- T shirts will be provided during the next delegate meeting.
- Apportionment info has been distributed. Send an email if there are any questions.
- Haye's abstracts deadline is tonight – around 300 applications
- Greatly appreciate if you could help recruit faculty judges – nominate faculty from the areas that are missing judges

Treasurer's Report

- More than quadrupled the number of applications in this funding period
- Each delegate can get up to \$200 for the delegate outreach grant - for events in their department

Committee Chair Reports

Arts and culture - Janet Schroeder

- New show – Black Mountain – email will be sent out
- Grad students who RSVP for the event will get Black Mountain swag

Health and wellness – Laura Hopkins

- Will be sending out surveys and urge you to fill it out

Old business

Senate election – one open seat – 2 nominations

Elizabeth Berg.229 – 1st year Master candidate. Interested in serving on senate and represent you guys. Interested in gaining more experience. I have some experience with grassroots campaign.

Yao wan.96 – PhD student. Couldn't be there for the meeting due to family reunion.

Served as a senator and delegate alternative since August. I've familiarized myself with the duties of a senator. I have worked and collaborated with other international students in the ICC. Have done many fundraisers for social causes. I'll be able to attend all the meeting and will be honored to represent.

If elected, I have several proposals. I'll be open minded to any concerns that other grad students might have.

Q and A session with Elizabeth

Q – Kurtz.305 – Do u have a proposed agenda for the seat.

A - No

Q - Perkins.442 – What’s the open position for?

A – VP – College of business

Q – Puthawala.1 – In the event you are not elected, in what capacities will you put your talents to work?

A – Within my school I’m going up for grad student groups that advocate the issues faced in my department to groups such as CGS . I’ll go up for other positions next year.

Q - Anderson.2299 – Are you available to attend the meetings during those times?

A – Yes

Resolutions generally require a prior notification. Issues going on in Buckeye Village and the racism in OSU have made this resolution imperative. President asked to suspend the rule. Needed 2/3 rd votes to proceed.

Motion to suspend the rules moved by Schroeder.650 and seconded by Puthawala.1

Wheeler.1008 – Can additional information be provided before suspending the rule?

President provided brief summary of the two resolutions.

Rules suspended unanimously.

Resolutions were read out loud.

Resolution 1617-FA-002 was moved to be entertained by Puthawala.1 and seconded by Gumpert.1

Anderson.2299 suggested an amendment to the resolution.

Montoya.29 suggested an amendment to the resolution.

Resolution passed unanimously.

Resolution 1617-FA-003 was moved to be entertained by Puthawala.1 and seconded by Gumpert.1

Freundenburg.2 suggested an amendment to the resolution

Extension was asked for the resolution.

Delegate issues and concerns.

Gambrel.15– Interested in talking about the move to consolidate Physics, Chemistry and Biology lab machines.

D’laney.1 – Can international student get a job outside of her GTA position as her position is not paying her bills.

Freundenburg.2 – Have some concerns about CEMP – can there be a report and discussions on it?

Wheeler.1008– Can members of this committee interact with certain committees/groups with political stance and can they be brought in for a talk?

New business

Yao wan was elected as the senator.

President Bowers.461 adjourned the meeting at 6.13 pm.

Welcome to a new year and a new term!

I hope that you were able to carve out at least some time for rest and relaxation over the break. While I did get to enjoy some good time with family and friends, the weeks just prior to end of term and the past several days have been an opportunity for several meetings with university leaders regarding CGS concerns and priorities.

Many students have expressed concerns related to the specific incident of violence on campus at the end of November and more broadly to concerns related to other acts, especially regarding GTAs and roles/responsibilities when in the classroom. I've shared these concerns with President Drake, Dean Herness and several others. At this time, it appears that some programs and colleges on campus have been more proactive than others in providing graduate students with information and resources. I have requested, and been assured of progress on, more coordinated university-wide efforts. If you have specific concerns, or if you feel your college/program has provided helpful response/resources, I hope you'll come to our January meeting prepared to briefly share during Delegate Concerns. This is an important issue and while the university community is more focused on the topic, it's vital that we participate in that conversation and achieve what we can for grad students' safety and the safety of those we serve.

Following the November meeting I was able to share our resolution regarding Housing issues of families and grad student more broadly in one-on-ones with various university leaders. While it does not change the situation we face, there is wide agreement that the way plans for removing units at Buckeye Village without a full process to consider both challenges for those who continue to live there and needs of new students moved forward was not in keeping with the university's highest ideals. Although this is a matter that will require on-going active attention on the part of CGS; I can tell you that all involved are making good faith efforts to respond to our concerns. A few weeks ago I had the first of what are to set to become regular meetings with Dr. J and Jay Kasey, both to review issues regarding the project set to begin this summer at Buckeye Village and planning efforts around our more broad based housing concerns. Next week, on Jan 18th, Student Life is hosting the first of a series of sessions to hear from graduate students, with or without families, about our concerns and needs related to housing. I strongly encourage you to attend and to encourage your constituents to attend one of these meetings. I realize that notice of this one is pretty short, but 1) I appreciate Student Life's efforts to move forward quickly and 2) I realize there will be additional sessions for which we'll have better notice.

I regret to report that our chair of Graduate Compensation and Benefits committee has had to step down for personal reasons. However, as last year's chair, I was already working on a draft of this year's GCBC report and Matthew Connolly has agreed to continue his role as

unofficial vice-chair. This means that we are still making good progress. Over break I met with the graduate school regarding our proposed survey of programs and their expectations of GTAs. Matthew and I have a meeting in the next couple of weeks with folks who will be assisting with data on that project. Expect to hear more at the January and February Delegate meetings.

Finally, there are some exciting CGS projects coming up on the horizon. Thanks to the leadership of Deborwah Faulk, our 2nd annual program in Diversity and Implicit Bias Awareness is starting later this month. Our Diversity and Inclusion committee is also leading the way towards graduate student participation in more university-wide events regarding Hidden Figures. Chris Pierce and SERC are working to figure out a good way to better inform grad students about just what is (and is NOT) recyclable. Be on the look-out for more info—peoples' tossing the wrong things into recycling bins on campus is greatly hindering these sustainability efforts. Tracey Walterbusch is in the midst of preparations for our 31st Hayes Research forum. If you aren't presenting your work at that event, please consider volunteering and/or visiting some sessions to learn about fellow students' research work. Speaking of research, please don't forget the grant programs we have, administered by Alex Wesaw and Olga Kondratjeva and their committees!

I'll close with a "thank you" to all of our delegates, senators, committee chairs and committee members. My role as president provides a unique seat from which to see how much work so many fellow graduate students do on behalf of our university and our fellow students. I am grateful for the honor and privilege to witness all that service.

All the best,

David

Vice President Report

- Hayes Forum is on March 3, 2017. I need your help with two things:
 - Please nominate at least two faculty members to be Hayes Forum judges:
<https://cgs.osu.edu/hayes-forum/judges-information/>
 - Please think about volunteering! I need help on March 3, 2017 from 7 a.m.- 3 p.m.
- You should have received an initial contact from your committee chair by this point. Please send me an e-mail if you have not heard from your chair.
 - Additionally we are looking for feedback about your committee work. **Please fill this out by 1/27/2017:**
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeey2ddBdQkzELP_SlyHrfb7nqIJJwIPpK8Nuc0FTb-DGe0A/viewform
- Head shots are scheduled for 2:30-3:30 p.m. in the Ohio Union Student Leadership Suite, Student Organization Room. No sign up is required, please just stop by and say you're there for a headshot with CGS. These are free to you.
- Apportionment information will be provided in this upcoming meeting. I will share with you the number of seats for each area. This will just be preliminary information in order to get your initial thoughts on the number of seats.
- Please start considering if you would like to run for elections for next academic year or would like to serve the Council of Graduate Students in any way. Please let me know if you would like more information about any of the opportunities or have feedback or suggestions for next year. Please visit our website for a snapshot of the positions:
<http://www.cgs.osu.edu/get-involved/>
- Please don't hesitate to reach out if you would like to set-up a formal or informal meeting. Or if you have any feedback for me.

Council of Graduate Students
Account Balances - Budget vs. Actual
July 1 through November 30, 2016

	<u>Jul - Nov 16</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Income		
Coca Cola Carry Forward	14,532.13	16,000.00
Coca Cola Endowment	15,500.85	14,000.00
CSA Carry Forward	8,646.92	7,500.00
CSA Student Activity Fee	77,664.43	77,000.00
Global Gtwy	0.00	10,000.00
Global Gtwy Carry Forward	6,572.41	3,000.00
Grad Sch.--Hayes	9,000.00	9,000.00
Grant NAGPS Hosting	0.00	5,000.00
OAA Ray Travel	35,000.00	35,000.00
OAA Ray Travel Carry Forward	15,616.16	10,000.00
OR Hayes Endwmnt	10,000.00	10,000.00
Total Income	<u>192,532.90</u>	<u>196,500.00</u>
Expense		
1000 President's Projects		
1100 Discretionary	0.00	1,000.00
1300 Inauguration	0.00	1,000.00
Total 1000 President's Projects	<u>0.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>
2000 Vice President		
2100 Hayes	124.47	28,000.00
Total 2000 Vice President	<u>124.47</u>	<u>28,000.00</u>
3000 Committees		
3100 Exec		
3110 Retreat	2,916.80	3,000.00
3120 Awards & Rec	0.00	500.00
3130 Exec Disc	0.00	602.00
3140 Comm. Disc.	0.00	3,000.00
3150 MarCom	1,189.01	10,000.00
3160 Speaker Series	0.00	4,000.00
3100 Exec - Other	0.00	5,000.00
Total 3100 Exec	<u>4,105.81</u>	<u>26,102.00</u>
3301 Grants Admin	0.00	500.00
3340 Arts & Culture	0.00	3,000.00
3400 Del OutReach Grnt	400.00	3,700.00
3410 Communications	0.00	1,000.00
3500 Div & Inclusion	0.00	3,000.00
3510 International Concerns	0.00	3,000.00
3610 Ray Trv Grant Adm	0.00	500.00
3611 Ray Award Receptions	0.00	2,000.00
3700 Grad H & W	0.00	2,500.00
3710 SERC	0.00	2,000.00
3800 Org & Elect	0.00	500.00
3900 Senate Advisory	0.00	0.00
Total 3000 Committees	<u>4,505.81</u>	<u>47,802.00</u>

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 July 1 through November 30, 2016

	<u>Jul - Nov 16</u>	<u>Budget</u>
3300 Grants Admin Funds		
3310 Career Dev	3,343.90	12,000.00
3320 Global Gtwy	12,000.00	15,000.00
3330 Ray Travel Award	15,474.33	50,616.00
3300 Grants Admin Funds - Other	0.00	0.00
Total 3300 Grants Admin Funds	<u>30,818.23</u>	<u>77,616.00</u>
4000 Office Equip		
4100 Copier	0.00	500.00
4200 Equip.	0.00	400.00
4300 Furn.	0.00	0.00
4400 Supplies	97.01	1,000.00
4500 Telephone	0.00	1,650.00
4600 Technology	3,255.00	8,000.00
4000 Office Equip - Other	0.00	65.00
Total 4000 Office Equip	<u>3,352.01</u>	<u>11,615.00</u>
5000 Administrative		
5100 Student Life Init.		
5120 Fall Event	0.00	0.00
5130 Spr. Event	0.00	0.00
Total 5100 Student Life Init.	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
5300 Mtng. Refreshments	4,668.68	12,500.00
5400 Org. Dev.	181.22	500.00
5410 Travel	210.00	12,500.00
6000 Prkng Passes	3,745.92	4,685.00
5000 Administrative - Other	28.85	0.00
Total 5000 Administrative	<u>8,834.67</u>	<u>30,185.00</u>
8000 PY Encum		
8100 Career Dev.	0.00	500.00
8200 Global Gtwy	0.00	500.00
8300 Ray Travel Award	0.00	3,000.00
8000 PY Encum - Other	0.00	1,000.00
Total 8000 PY Encum	<u>0.00</u>	<u>5,000.00</u>
Total Expense	<u>47,635.19</u>	<u>202,218.00</u>