

Delegate Meeting Agenda



Council of Graduate Students
The Ohio State University

Date: June 23, 2017
Location: Interfaith Prayer &
Reflection Room, Ohio Union

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1. CALL TO ORDER:

- Wesaw.1 called meeting to order at 3:35pm.

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.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1. Minutes from April:

- Wesaw.1 requested feedback regarding April 21st meeting minutes. No feedback, questions, or concerns were reported.
- Wesaw.1 moved to approve legislation, Puthawala.1 seconded, and this legislation was passed unanimously.

2.2. Minutes from May

- Wesaw.1 requested feedback or changes regarding May 26th meeting minutes. Wesaw.1 requested that the numbering be updated so that "call to order" is 1. No other feedback, questions, or concerns were noted.
- Wesaw.1 moved to approve legislation, Stone.655 seconded, and this legislation was passed unanimously.

3. Officer Updates

3.1. Treasurer

- Montoya.29 requested feedback regarding changes to the Ray Travel Award: She is hoping to update the grant application process so that individuals who have never received the award before would have better chances of being awarded the grant than those who have been awarded the grant in the past.
- Montoya.29 opened the floor for questions regarding the budget. No questions were asked at this time.

3.2. Secretary

- Koss.31 introduced herself as the new CGS Secretary.

3.3. Vice President

- Walterbusch.1 reviewed her report from the June Delegates packet including the upcoming orientation and requested that people try to recruit others to fill their positions if they are not returning to their CGS delegate seat.
- Walterbusch.1 stated that if someone is interesting in serving as CGS delegate starting in August they need 25 signatures or 50% of their program to be elected.

- Walterbusch.1 also stated that her and Wesaw.1 are working on committee assignments and she is placing individuals based on interests.
- Walterbusch.1 requested feedback regarding concerns on the way this is done. No concerns were noted.
- Walterbusch.1 requested any individuals interested in certain positions email her.

3.4. President

- Wesaw.1 stated that he is confident all positions of the Senate will be filled.
- Wesaw.1 reviewed his report from the June Delegates packet, including his meeting with President Drake with Bowers.461 and the discussed concerns with housing. President Drake was already aware and also concerned with housing, which was a promising and positive interaction.
- Wesaw.1 and Puthawala.1 requested increases to the stipends for graduate students at their last meeting with President Drake.
- Wesaw.1 stated that President Drake discussed that he was working to remove a financial disclosure agreement for vulnerable students in order to protect any financial information from being released.
- Wesaw.1 requested if anyone is interested in Chief of Staff to please come forward or email him.
- Wesaw.1 is still looking for individuals to fill the Fiscal and Rule committee placements on the Senate committees. So if anyone is interested or know someone that is interested please email him.
- Wesaw.1 also requested anyone interested in the Graduate Student Affairs role (which will be mostly addressing housing issues and other major graduate student issues) and anyone interested in the Senate Advisory and Government Relations (a co-chair position with one Senator and one delegate or other interested member of CGS) please come forward to him or email him.
- Wesaw.1 announced that Puthawala.1 agreed to take on the role of Academic Affairs chair. He stated that this is an important role due to the potential changes in the general education curricula for undergraduate students that many graduate students teach and receive stipends for teaching.
- Wesaw.1 asked if there were any other questions regarding his report in the June Delegate packet. No questions arose at this time.

4. Committee Chair Announcements

- No announcements on this date.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- No old business on this date.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1. Budget Legislation

- Wesaw.1 asked if there were any questions regarding the budget in the June Delegates packet. No questions arose at this time.
- Stone.655 motioned for approval of this legislation, Caliva.1 seconded, and the legislation was unanimously approved.

6.2 Any Delegate Issues or Concerns

- Stone.655 raised a concern regarding upcoming west campus parking changes and limited communication between CABS, CampusPARC, and the company actually doing the construction.
- Wesaw.1 stated that you can buy a parking pass with your GA form at the CampusPARC office.
- Stone.655 stated that some graduate students are not aware they can get staff parking if they have dual roles and she is concerned that there will be multiple issues with parking due to the limited communication thus far.
- Bean.240 explained that there was an agreement between CampusPARC and Ohio State that students can still get west campus parking still in the carmac 5 lot.
- Wesaw.1 agreed to discuss the schedule of construction and the communication difficulties with CampusPARC.
- Bean.240 stated that the state of Ohio released their biannual budget and there may e some positive changes for GA's including increased funding for the Ohio opportunity grant, Ohio public education, and potential tuition caps.
- Stone.655 asked if there would be any discussion regarding potential additions to the CGS website.

She suggested that various opportunities that are housed by different departments but open to all graduate students may be a good thing to add to the CGS website.

- Wesaw.1 stated that this is something that is in progress as well because Walterbusch.1 and Koss.31 are working to send more emails regarding various opportunities.
- Walterbusch.1 also explained that we were having difficulties getting IT to update the website at first because no one was using it, but now that we've started using the website more frequently IT is more willing to make changes. Walterbusch.1 also proposed the idea of putting these various opportunities on the graduate office website because they have full time staff that can maintain the page to hold all the different opportunities and also frequently asked questions like parking and she is interested in having feedback regarding this idea.
- Stone.655 suggested putting it on both websites since the full time position will be able to update the website more frequently and then potentially CGS can have a link to that website.
- Wesaw.1 agreed with this idea.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

7.1. July Delegate Meeting: July 28, 2017 3:30 PM Ohio Union Senate Chamber

- Puthawala.1 motioned to adjourn the meeting, Stone.655 seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 4:00pm.