



# Delegate Meeting Minutes

**Date** March 21, 2014 (3<sup>rd</sup> Spring Delegate Meeting)  
**Location** Ohio Union, Senate Chambers

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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.

## 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1. Minutes from February 14<sup>th</sup> meeting – seeing no objections or amendments – passed.

## 3. OFFICER REPORTS (PLEASE SEE ATTACHED WRITTEN REPORT)

### 3.1. President

Coy.82

3.1.1. Coy.82 briefly updated members about the Buckeye Village (BV) Parking Issue. BV residents were not happy with the \$30 reduced rent rate offered in lieu of a different solution to the parking pass conditions and pricing proposed by CampusParc. BV residents collecting over 250 signatures to petition against the offer. Coy.82 met with President Alutto, Jay Casey, and Dr. J. Alutto asked for recommendations within 24 hours. Coy.82 noted he had discussed this with relevant Senate committees and we seem to have support from various faculty. Coy.82 briefly noted the resolution he will return to later in the meeting is a “back up” measure in the event a workable solutions cannot be negotiated before the next Senate meeting on 3/27/14. Coy.82 will bring the resolution to the floor as new business if needed. Coy.82 noted that the BV parking issues has currently been his focus; it is one of the most important things CGS has done all year.

3.1.2. Coy.82 noted posters for elections will be available next Monday in the CGS office and a reminder will be sent out to delegates.

### 3.2. Vice President

Crowsley.1

3.2.1. Crowsley.1 noted she has been collected all the feedback from the Hayes form and working with/notified IT of the management issues with Hayes abstract submission.

3.2.2. Briefly noted that apportionment has been implement on system and nominations for Delegate and Senator Elections are now open. Details regarding both of these are in Crowsley.1’s report. Senator elections will take place at the next meeting. Wiggins.106 noted that Senator nominations are open at this meeting.

3.2.3. Small.122 asked about the Budget for Hayes – I thought you were under, but it looks \$1,000 over. Crowsley.1 and Cichon.8 discussed that we get \$19,000 from Graduate School and Office of Research, and we have not yet received that money in the reports from the University; presently the discrepancies are just an accounting issue and all will be fine one we get money from those bodies.

### 3.3. Secretary

Lang.279

3.3.1. No other report

**3.4. Treasurer** Cichon.8

**3.4.1.** Budget now included in meeting packet. The budget includes items that have hit 90/91 report. It is current through the end of February. We will bring a budget amendment forward at the next meeting in April.

**3.5. Chief of Staff** Wiggins.106

**3.5.1.** No other report

#### **4. OFFICER ELECTIONS**

**4.1. Officer elections** Wiggins.106

Wiggins.106 reviewed policy and procedures that were previously emailed to delegates (see pasted below). Wiggins.106 also asked members to listen carefully, try not to repeat questions/points and to be sure to ask questions and not statements. After candidates present, can leave room and have closed dialogue.

From email: As per the CGS bylaws officers will be elected in the following order:

Treasurer, Secretary, Vice President, President.

1. Each candidate will be given up to 10 minutes to address the Council about their background, credentials, interest in the position, or discussing anything germane to themselves and the seat which they are seeking. Candidates should not feel obligated to speak for the full allotted ten minutes.
2. Following, all candidate remarks the floor will be opened up for delegates to ask questions targeted at all candidates. Delegates will be given 1 minute to ask their question and candidates will be given 2 minutes to respond.
  1. Uncontested elections there will be a 6 minute Q & A period.
  2. Contested elections in which there are less than 5 candidates there will be a 24 min Q&A period.
  3. Contested elections in which there are more than 5 candidates there will be a 42min Q&A period .
3. Subsequent, to the close of the Q & A period, candidates will leave the room and delegates will have another opportunity to raise concerns or ask questions. Voting shall occur by secret ballot in contested elections and by Objection to Consent in uncontested elections.

**4.1.1. Treasurer**

**4.1.1.1.** David Rochman.2 – Wiggins.106 noted that because there was only one candidate we will be voting by objection to consent. Rochman.2 noted his intent was to use the full 10 minutes, but in the interest of time he just noted he wanted to continue to great work Cichon.8 had done. Wiggins.106 any question? Seeing none and no objections – Rochman.2 elected Treasurer for 14-15 year.

**4.1.2. Secretary –** Wiggins.106 ask for other nominations, no other nominations were made – nominations were closed.

**4.1.2.1.** Roger Anderson.2299 noted he is a 1<sup>st</sup> year doctoral student in EHE, Teaching and Learning. Noted he is fluent in French and Arabic and he currently teachers ESL. He holds masters degrees French and African American Studies and is

currently working on one for Arabic. Anderson noted he is from Cleveland Ohio, went to OU. He is looking for a way to give back, to be involved. He highlighted his experiences related to position of Secretary, e.g., he was on the executive board for his rowing. He understands a lot of work that goes into the details of this university. Anderson noted he is particularly interested in international students, highlighting they are the highest paying students on campus. He is also interested in domestic-international student relations. He has professional experiences in minute taking, e.g., his work with Amnesty International in DC, and other organizations.

**4.1.2.2.** Tori Campbell.1651 is a 1<sup>st</sup> year student in Doctorial program in College of Social Work. She holds a Bachelors in Sociology, Masters Degree in Social Work, and is a licensed social worker. She is currently the co-treasurer for the Graduate Student Organization in Social Work. Has been President of Sociology Club and was a Resident Assistant in undergrad. In her master's program she was also a student representative for her program. She is an Albert Schweitzer Fellow. She is interested in meeting more people and getting involved outside of Social Work, and has a good relationship with David Rochman.

**4.1.2.3.** Debanuj DasGupta.18: not present

**4.1.2.4.** Heather Hill.1379 is a 4<sup>th</sup> year doctoral candidate. She noted she brings a unique vantage point to this position. She noted key elements of her background: she was a middle school, language teacher in Columbus City Schools, she has legislative/policy experience, is familiar with Roberts Rules of Order for manage egos, and has experience working in academia. She noted her undergraduate degree is in Political Science and English from Bowling Green, and she has a Masters in Public Policy from the John Glenn School as well as a Masters in Educational Administration. She also noted she has much experience with Ohio State and seen its "Highs and Lows," areas of surplus and weaknesses. She has experience navigating the complexities, and believes her range of experiences will help the organization. She is interested in working around issues of diversity.

**4.1.2.5.** Hongsen Shi.546: not present

**4.1.2.6.** Mohan Yin.305: Yin noted he is a 2<sup>nd</sup> year Hospitality Management Masters student. He has met many international students in his work at OSU. He noted he has the communication skills to talk/communicate with a lot of people and is confident in his English. He noted his undergraduate work at the Union and that he has previously worked as a secretary. He noted he is excited about this opportunity and challenge, and would like people's help and support.

**4.1.2.7.** Torsa Ghosal.2: not present, Lang.279 read statement.

**4.1.2.8.** Q&A: Chung.461 – How many of you have contacted Lang.279 about the position and responsibilities? Anderson.2299 noted he spoke briefly with Lang.279 about the position and time commitment. Campbell.1659 noted she had not spoken with Lang.279, but she had reviewed all materials on website and is aware of the responsibilities, and if elected, will reach out to her about specifics of fulfilling the responsibilities, Hill.1379

noted she had also not spoken with Lang.279. Yin.305 noted he had just received the email today to come and speak. Pucker.1 asked if all candidates will be here in the summer. Campbell.1659: Yes, she will be taking classes all summer. Anderson.2299 noted he will be away in California from June 24 to August 8 to work on his Masters in Arabic. Hill.1379 noted she will be there and that she is a PhD Candidate, so no courses, just writing. Yin.305 noted he will stay here for the summer and take an internship and that he stays on campus most of time and will be here through next spring. Abukar.3 noted each of you bring amazing experiences and credentials, what would be your greatest adjustment to the role? Campbell.1659 noted it would probably just be working with new people and learning their styles, but she was up for and excited about this challenge. Anderson.2299 noted the same, saying that as academics we tend to cluster ourselves in our work and not interact so much with those around us. Hill.1379 said being in the “ivory tower” we lose contact with real people, real communities, so her challenge would be re-engaging back into the larger system, being in integrated back in, and learning group dynamics.. Yin.305 discussed his history at OSU, 2009-2010 was the first time in student Union, and noted he has been here 3-4 years but not come to this organization; he noted he needed to make some transitions to combine his academic performance – he would like to spend ½ his time here connecting with people. Vang.18 asked Lang.279 about time commitment. Lang.279 noted that on average she spends 5-10 hours a week with emails, minutes, website updates and attending meetings. There are some heavier points were it is more like 15-20 hours, but winter break is nice. Hill.1379 noted she does not currently have a GA position so she has a bit more time to focus towards other things; she also noted she will not commit to something unless she able to follow through. Yin.305 noted he is graduating in spring 2015, and has about 10-12 hours a week to offer. Noted half of the time he will work on writing dissertation of masters degree, but that this is a big opportunity for. Anderson.2299 noted this is one of the main questions he asked Lang.279 on phone; he will be a GTA next year but will teach one less course each semester and thus think it would fit well in his schedule and would be able to handle. Campbell.1659 noted she will be a GRA next year for 20 hours next year; she said right now she does work for the doctoral student organization, but will not have that next year. Brown.3799 asked if any of the individuals were currently CGS members and if so, for how long; Hill.1379 noted she is not currently, but has reaped the benefits of CGS events/initiatives. Campbell.1695 noted that Social Work has a delegate. Anderson.2299 also noted T&L has a delegate. There was some discussion clarifying what constitutes a member, Wiggins.106 Yin – no haven’t had such an experience. Wiggins.106 and Coy.82 explained all students are members of CGS, however only delegates vote. Dong.209 noted Anderson.2299 has been on her committee. Delegates went into closed deliberation.

**4.1.2.9.** After voting and a run off between Hill and Campbell, the elected secretary for 14-15 is Heather Hill.1379

**4.1.3.** Vice President – Strang.27 asked when we will know the results; Wiggins.106 noted all results will be read at the end of the meeting.

**4.1.3.1.** Michael Bowman.979 is a PhD candidate in History of Art. He

noted he is not a regular face at CGS, but he knew we had experienced some issues this past year and noted one of the best way to lubricate the kinks is a liberal application of some fresh blood. Bowman.979 noted he was not standing before the body as “some green neophyte.” Bowman noted for the 2012-2013 year he was elected as a CGS Senator and came to CGS meeting, also worked on CESP and COAM. He sees issues affecting students and has experience serving on committee and doing committee work. Bowman.979 noted he could use this experience to help guide/explain duties of serving on committees. He noted he took part as Hayes as a presenter, and thus is familiar with the Hayes forum the capstone duty as VP. Bowman highlighted his service in own department and research, e.g., his service to as a graduate student representative to “the guild;” he believes these experiences are valuable to bring to internal functioning of CGS. Bowman also noted his work on archeological exploration in Italy, where he work as trench supervisor – he had a team of archeologist working under him and that this work involved developing a common language and working toward a technical specific goal; he developed strategy and maintained records for this particular section – these are the same critical skills for organizing and maintaining delegate records. Bowman noted for his research and coursework he has taken classes and worked with lots of people outside his own department, so he has already interacted with graduate students a bit more broadly, he can bring this experience to the VP position. Bowman noted he makes no grandiose promises, that he only make promises he can keep – “I will promise if you give me your confidence, vote... I will work hard to best of my ability to serve CGS and broader OSU community with diligence and humility.”

**4.1.3.2.** Todd Odess.2: not present

**4.1.3.3.** Seyed (Mahan) Mansouri.2 : Came to US/OSU in March 2009, started graduate school in electrical engineering. He noted it was really challenging as someone from different cultural, lots of adjustment. Got an internship in 2011, a full time position, but then came back as part-time; as a part-time PhD student this past five years has been very challenging – finding his own way, financial challenges, find new jobs and adapt to new environments. He said this is why he is here – wants to bring these experiences to the Graduate Student Council, wants to highlight and work on these issues that need to be solved as a graduate student.

**4.1.3.4.** Q&A: Vang.18 asked candidates to talk about their direct experience with CGS, how their previous experiences can directly apply to the VP position, and whether or not they thought they could fulfill the time commitment. Bowman.979 noted he has a flexible schedule, he is Ph.D. candidate and currently just writing. He noted he has also served as a senator, sat in on previous CGS meetings and worked on university committees as appointed by CGS. Mansouri.2 noted he never worked with CGS, and that he really did not know much about the organization, but that is his main concern, if he didn't know, how can we really help the 10,000 graduate students? Wanted to help students know what we are doing and why we are here for them. As far as time commitment, Mansouri.2 noted he only has 10-12 hours of time to offer per week, if it is more than that, then “he is not a good candidate.” Coy.82 noted as a point of information, the Vice President position is a

GA appointment, with an expectation of 20 hours/week, a 50% appointment. Coy.82 asked if both candidates could commitment to 20 hours on paper, for the various tasks assigned, but likely more than that when one considers the service commitment. Mansouri.2, turning to Bowman noted, "I have to congratulate you." Mansouri.2 noted he has to work at least 40 hours a work week, has a full time job. Pucker.1 – are you both here in the summer. Both candidates responded yes. Wiggins.106 asked if Mansouri.2 was withdrawing. Mansouri.2 noted no, but he cannot commit to 20 hours a week.

**4.1.3.5.** After voting, the elected Vice President for 14-15 is Michael Bowman.979

**4.1.4. President**

**4.1.4.1.** Joshua Coy.82: Noted he was running again as president. He noted quickly he is working on his Masters in Arts Policy, we a graduate fellow, and was a delegate and served as interim Vice President before being elected President. He highlighted the 4 major points he ran on last year and how his work had reflected these themes: transparency, customer service, follow-through, integrity. He believes strongly and has tried to this year set the organization up for future of success and stability. Coy.82 highlighted some accomplishments – for example: the rebranding of CGS, lots of constitutional revisions, lots of acts and resolutions passed this year, increased delegate representation. He noted people are hearing us and seeing what we are doing. He noted that we have looked at NAGPS and what it means in relation to larger graduate student advocacy, we made website upgrades to increase communication and make finding documents easy for students. There has been an increase in programming from exec and some outreach in the community. Coy.82 also noted some of the interesting things done this year, highlighting HighBall, the Seventh Sons Brewing SERC event, discussion with State Representatives on student trustees – all in all, made movement on some big issues.

**4.1.4.1.1.** Coy.82 articulated why he was running for re-election and things he hopes to accomplish in the next year

**4.1.4.1.2.** Stability – Coy.82 highlighted the university's shared governance and the importance of showing that we are a stable organization. He noted the new president coming in and the importance of this relationship. He said if he is re-elected, there is no "learning curve" – he can jump right in. He also emphasized how important everyone is on the committees they serve, how critical these relationships are and that Cichon.8 has agreed to stay on Senate Fiscal (at the committee's request). This is what we want to see, that others in the university value our input.

**4.1.4.1.3.** Budgetary clarity - Coy.82 noted this needs to be addressed and admittedly there have been so many things on the plate this year this did not get full attention.

**4.1.4.1.4.** The standing rules need to be updated

**4.1.4.1.5.** Website – need further improvement on the website and a formalized transition plan to help transfer information.

**4.1.4.1.6.** Programmatic expansion – work on spending more money

on programming, designate money specifically for committee chairs and work in the summer to identify specifics in terms of guidelines and timelines (e.g., how many events each term, size, promotion timing, etc.).

**4.1.4.1.7.** Team based – work on more team building up front.

**4.1.4.1.8.** Work more with OUAB and reach out to IPC, partner more together. Coy.82 noted Tariq Azam is running unopposed for a second term as IPC president and he is great to work with.

**4.1.4.1.9.** O&E – need to fill these delegate seats. Coy.82 noted we expanded use of outreach funds to help do that, but we need to do more. He noted he wanted to increase commitment to and expectation of internal committee service and to watch attendance so that we can be sure that all departments are being represented.

**4.1.4.1.10.** Focus on Roberts rules – Coy.82 noted this was important so we are all able to play game together when we need to. He said in the summer he wanted to help executive committee know this and cover in delegate orientations. Coy.82 also noted he wanted to use summer to form the executive committee's goals and engage in team building. He ended his speech by emphasizing the importance of fun and that CGS should be a good time. Coy.82 noted if reelected he would work to make these things happen. He noted he was happy with how the first platform worked out and we are now at point where we can fine tune the details.

**4.1.4.2.** Jamie Crowsley.1: Highlighted she is a 5<sup>th</sup> year doctoral student, a Candidate in Teaching and Learning, from the United Kingdom and has been here since 2007. Crowsley.1 noted CGS been a large part of her time as Graduate student and she recounted her CGS service: she served as a CGS senator nearly two years, was a past global gateway chair, past international concerns chair and a CGS delegate. She won the Outstanding Committee Chair Award and was elected as Vice President last year. Crowsley.1 highlighted that serving in all these positions was a great experience and way to learn about CGS. Crowsley.1 briefly highlighted her track record as VP – 1) have a working website now, 2) member records are up-to-date – this is a big part of the job, a major commitment, 3) committee database up-to-date on website now, we know who is representing us, 4) getting more delegates seats filled. Crowsley.1 noted we have worked work collaboratively to get delegates here to get as many people involved; she highlighted we are only as strong as the people we have representing us – we need and have good people. 5) new election system – we will now have automated results, we completed apportionment and implemented in time for Spring elections; elections are now more streamlined and there is greater clarity or roles. Crowsley.1 also highlighted her service on CSA and her oversight of the Hayes forum; in particular stating the strong feedback received, about the forum, the single biggest event for CGS each year, that the event was in budget and encouraged collaborations across disciplines.

**4.1.4.2.1.** Crowsley.1 also highlighted what she will bring to the presidency:

**4.1.4.2.2.** A detailed knowledge of CGS, as outgoing Vice President

she brings detailed knowledge of the VP role to be able to support the new VP.

**4.1.4.2.3.** A commitment to and knowledge of leadership and team building, Crowsley.1 highlighted her work leading the Hayes forum committee of over 30 people – they had to get things done, under budget, with 150 presenters, 70 judges, 400 applicants.

**4.1.4.2.4.** Bring university-wide relationships: Has built strong relationships with the Office of Research and Office of Student Life. Noted that through relationship is how we plan, change, function and get things done.

**4.1.4.2.5.** PhD candidate, which means she does not have classes, Crowsley.1 noted because of this she is very available, flexible, can be there to manage, including summer.

**4.1.4.2.6.** Diversity: Crowsley.1 noted that she embodies that, and studies it, and believes it is very important that there is great diversity in graduate student body.

**4.1.4.2.7.** Would bring a fresh, new approach to presidency, with new ways of moving forward, building relationships. If we do not have good relationships we can't accomplish anything – we need their help, support, need cooperation. Crowsley.1 noted she wants to build relationships, build bridges.

**4.1.4.2.8.** Strategic plan from day one: Crowsley.1 noted she wanted to ensure accountability, but also build an executive committee, wishing to oversee and support them. She highlighted we need teamwork. She wants to set measurable objectives and for people and CGS to be held accountable for what doing and how spending money. This plan should have a timelines for execution. Crowsley.1 noted she would like to allocate responsibilities according to strengths and interests. She noted that through teambuilding, we can find strengths and goals and use them to push us forward. She highlighted that she sees the President as the bottom of pyramid to help hold up, supporting people with idea. She also noted her interest in assessing the outcomes of initiatives, events, etc.

**4.1.4.2.9.** Effective fiscal planning ability: Crowsley.1 noted that as we come up with ideas, we need to keep fiscal planning in our mind - how are we spending our money and how it impacts graduate students. Crowsley.1 noted she would work closely with the treasurer so that updates are given. Crowsley.1 noted that she is accountable to each of you, as President she is here to be directed by the delegate body.

**4.1.4.3. Q&A:**

**4.1.4.3.1.** Dong.209: How do you envision the relationship CGS has with [the office of] Student Life (SL) and graduate students as a whole. Coy.82 noted we have been constantly working with SL, SL is a very important relationship for graduate students and CGS. For Coy.82 he noted that at the top, we serve graduate students as a whole, then delegates, officers, etc. He noted the last year's accomplishments relative to student concerns (e.g., Nursing fee, Buckeye Village). Crowsley.1 noted we need to have a cooperative relationship with SL, and they provide very generous for funding us, this



office help us with a number of events and issues. Crowsley.1 also noted we can do a better job of getting our message out there; we need to get better at communicating with other larger bodies, planning events with other organizations, and using social media. Want to work to help delegates get messages out there.

**4.1.4.3.2.** Kylowski – what was the biggest challenge in your leadership and what did you learn from that? Crowsley.1 noted the Hayes forum was her biggest challenge - twin challenges of budgeting and organization – needed to build a committee, advertise broadly, work with lots of bodies in organizing the event and then work within the team to make the event happen. Crowsley.1 noted the importance of collectively working together. She highlighted the good feedback, and that she learned a lot about being able to multitask. Said it was a great experience to learn leadership and teambuilding. Coy.82 noted he walked into organization that was fumbling and falling apart, and the learning curve was enormous. He did not realize all the problems that were underlying the organization and had difficulty with time-management. Coy.82 noted the job often amounted to 40 hours a week in summer and at points in the school year. He said some of the challenges he had were time management issues, finding people to lead things and building relationships. In terms of learning from his mistakes Coy.82 noted he has worked to set up a good transition plan to help the next administration not “start from scratch” and has established a good pattern of behavior for time management.

**4.1.4.3.3.** Himmel.14 asked candidates what their top 3 projects/initiatives were for next year. Coy.82 noted, depending on BV parking issue, he said he would like to focus on delegate outreach and getting more delegate engaged, and we are in the perfect position to take advantage of that right now. Also noted he wanted to ensure stability, making sure all the relationships we built over the past year can be maintained and that these still need to be fostered to make good things happen for us. Crowsley.1 noted 1) she was interested in getting more programming out there – thinks these projects can help foster a team environment and help to spend down the budget. These programs are necessary to benefit grad students and help with health and wellness. Crowsley noted we are all stressed. 2) She highlighted CGS can't do it alone and the importance of building collaborative relationships, e.g., with USG, IPC, all the university bodies and working with them to do events. 3) Crowsley.1 highlighted the structure of CGS, and the importance of creating systems to help pass institutional knowledge on from year to year.

**4.1.4.3.4.** Deshpande.39 noted both candidates had done so much for CGS; if you are not re-elected what does that mean for your relationship with CGS? – Crowsley.1 noted she was a senator before, and a delegate before that. She noted she ran for presidency because she believes there are things she can do, a legacy she can leave. She wants a new challenge and wants to bring new ideas. Wants to increase team building. Certainly she would still like to be involved if not re-elected. Coy.82 noted yes, he will still be involved – would still love to help with transition. He noted advocacy is what he loves to do and would happily serve on committees.

**4.1.4.3.5.** Townsend.681 asked candidates to explain how they have demonstrated fiscal responsibility. Coy.82 noted he understood that we haven't gone over the budget as much as he would have hoped this year. We did spend down some of our carryover on tickets for HighBall. Coy.82 noted that clearly we still have a lot to do regarding the budget and next year he would like to put this as a much higher priority and put more money into the executive committee chairs direct (not one large pool for all of exec). He also noted his interested in developing an Arts & Culture committee chair for next year. He said for next year he would like to help executive committee chairs set up a format, give a range of money to spend, and start from the beginning having an idea of what we want to do and how to do it. Crowsley.1 noted as VP she was responsible for the Hayes budget. She noted with her colleagues she revamped the budget and rewrote it to show our spending in a way that fits with the Union budgeting system. She noted this work was done in cooperation with treasurer and also highlighted Alfred Yates' contributions. Crowsley.1 noted this is her primary background experience with budgeting, but if elected President, she will make sure that monthly budget updates are given so that delegates can see the spending and give us more feedback, to be much more involved.

**4.1.4.3.6.** Dong.209 – what have you done for minorities, international students, and students with disabilities, etc.? Crowsley.1 noted as VP, she largely worked on internal, though highlighted her assistance over the past year with the F1 student issue. She noted she believed that the idea of connecting with students with disabilities is a really good idea, she noted the Disability Studies Office is one we haven't reached out as much to and that we could do more programing for/with students with disabilities. Crowsley.1 noted she would welcome opportunities to work with a variety of diverse student groups. Coy.82 also highlighted the work over the past year on the F1 issue, and mentioned his advocacy for Buckeye Village residents with regards to parking. He noted this is an at risk community that embodies all the minorities Dong.209 listed. Coy.82 noted his volunteer work helping raise money for food insecure people. He also highlighted Dong.209's work as international issues chair. Coy.82 noted his experience speaking to the incoming international students at their graduate orientation and how he felt CGS got some great buy in from that speech.

**4.1.4.3.7.** Townsend.681 asked candidates what they felt our relationship with NAGPS should be moving forward/ Coy.82 highlighted some of the feedback from this last trip to an NAGPS event, he noted he purposefully did not attend the last trip so as not to bring his bias into the evaluation. He believed we should cut some of these ties. He highlighted we are spending more money than we need to and not getting much out of the organization. Coy.82 suggested working more with student in the Glenn School and folks interested in the State House and advocacy. He noted because we are OSU we can do that – we have the size, name recognition to be heard. He noted that sometimes NAGPS is advocating on mute points or the time frames they go to speak with legislators is not helpful. He felt we could meet these senators and representatives here in our state and make it more cost effective. Coy.82 noted the legislative action days are not

that great and this is the 4<sup>th</sup> time we've heard this. Coy.82 highlighted SAGE is another option, and this would be much more about sharing best practices. Crowsley.1 noted she attended NAGPS as delegate, and was less than impressed as well. She noted the event/organization didn't feel that well organized, or very collaborative. She noted OSU has the advantage of being well-know; a well-branded name. Crowsley.1 noted the high price tag to go to the NAGPS events, and of membership and asked is this a good, responsible use of student money? She noted she did not believe it is and said she would rather see OSU directly contacting congress people and that graduate students facing these issues have direct involvement in advocating.

**4.1.4.4.** After voting, the elected President for 14-15 is Josh Coy.82

## **5. NEW BUSINESS**

There was a motion to table the following acts due to available time. Gambrel.15 motioned, Deshpande.39 seconded; the motion passed.

**5.1.** Act 1314-SP-012: An Act Concerning the Clarification of Procedures and Timeline to amend the Bylaws of the Council of Graduate Students

**5.2.** Act 1314-SP-013: An Act Concerning the Clarification of Membership and Eligibility of Elected and Appointed Positions

**5.3.** Act 1314-AU-014: An Act Establishing a Code of Ethics

**5.4.** ACT 1314-SP-015: An Act Concerning the Procedure to Remove an Executive Officer of the Council of Graduate Students

**5.5.** RES 1314-SP-016: A Resolution in Support of Establishing Equal Parental Leave for All New Parents at Ohio State University

**5.5.1.** Lang.279 briefly reiterated the background and purpose of the resolution (see previous minutes and reports). No questions from the delegate body. No objections, resolution passed. Lang.279 noted she would follow-up with sharing the resolution with the relevant university committees.

**5.6.** RES 1314-SP-017: A Resolution in Support of Sustainable Parking for Buckeye Village Residents

**5.6.1.** Coy.82 noted that this resolution was mainly drafted so that he could bring it to the floor of the Senate next week if needed. He believed that we would see positive change before the meeting based off the most recent meeting with Alutto, but this is a "back up." Azam, IPC president, is trying to pass a similar resolution in IPC. Coy.82 noted we have buy in from the other student governments, including USG. This just basically provides a model of what Coy.82 would take to the senate if need – i.e., an emphasis on sustainable pricing for parking at Buckeye Village. The BV residents are in support of this idea. Seeing no questions or objections, resolution passes.

**5.7.** Call for Awards Nominations Coy.82

**5.7.1.** Did not formally take place during the meeting; notifications were sent several times via email asking for nominations.

## **6. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS (PLEASE SEE ATTACHED WRITTEN REPORTS)**

**6.1.** Grants Administration

Sandoval.32

6.1.1.	Career Development	
6.1.2.	Global Gateway	
6.2.	Diversity & Inclusion	Bryson.53
6.3.	SERC	Mills.532
6.3.1.	Mills.532 briefly reported back on the Seventh Sons Brewing event. He noted that they brought together about 20 graduate students who took a few minutes to share their work as it pertains to sustainability. He noted his committee is looking to replicate the event in the month of April and tying to other activities related to earth day/earth month.	
6.4.	Governmental Relations	Rochman.2
6.5.	Health & Wellness	Deshpande.39
6.6.	International Relations	Dong.209
6.7.	Academic Relations	krygowski.5
6.8.	Communications	vang.18
6.9.	Ray Travel Award	Cichon.8
6.10.	Senate Advisory	Pucker.1
6.11.	Ad hoc Committee on Disability Studies GIS	Townsend.681

## 7. DISCUSSION

### 7.1. Any other Delegate Issues and Concerns

7.1.1. Dabkowski.5 asked about issues she had emailed about, specifically the issue of access to COTA buses (how the access dates aligned with GA appointments and the term) as well as access to the payroll system over the summer to provide proof of income, etc. for housing, etc for 9-month students (on GAships in autumn and spring semesters only). Coy.82 noted he had forwarded on the bus issues at the beginning of the year but that these definitely needed to be follow-up on. There was a brief discussion of RPAC assess and library privileges. Hodak.2 noted students should not lose their library privileges in the summer, but they would lose access to the RPAC unless they pay a summer fee. Coy.82 asked Dabkowski.5 to follow-up with him about specifics and he would look into this.

### 7.2. Spring 2014 Semester Meetings and Special Dates

- 7.2.1. Friday, April 4, 2014 CGS Executive Committee Meeting, 3:30 pm, CGS Office
- 7.2.2. 4th Spring Delegate Meeting: Friday, April 18, 2014, 3:30 PM, Union Senate Chambers
- 7.2.3. Grad/Prof Spring Reception (immediately following): Friday, April 18, 2014, 5:30 PM, Faculty Club

## Written Reports for CGS Delegate Meeting 3/21/14

Current as of 4:00 pm on 3/20/14

### Officer Committee Written Reports

President/ Josh Coy.82

#### CGS Awards Nominations are now open!

<http://cgs.osu.edu/blog/2014-cgs-awards-nominations-are-now-open/>

Nominations are now open for the following awards, and will remain open until 3/31/14:

James M. Siddens Award for Distinguished Faculty Advising

Larry M. Lewellen Award for Distinguished Service

Delegate Award for Exceptional Service

Committee Chair Award for Excellence

#### Buckeye Village Parking

This has been the primary issue I have been dealing with since notification went out Feb 17th to BV residents that parking will cost them \$654/year to park at the village in 2014-15.

The background: When the University sold parking to Campus Parc, all parking spaces were put on the table. Despite BV having existed since 1960 without paid parking, and the buyout having been pitched to the campus as having no substantive change for users, BV parking was monetized.

Campus Parc initiated the takeover in Sept of 2012. No cost for BV residents as they were mid-lease. Parking in BV is labeled CPN (\$620, Central campus, overnight) in lots in front of BV apts.

Spring 2013, decision was made to have Student Life (along with other offices) pay for parking for the 2013-14 year for BV students due to uproar over parking costs.

August 2013, BV residents, concerned about the parking classifications in BV produce a petition signed by over 100 residents showing that they are willing to pay for parking, but only at a more reasonable rate akin to CX parking (\$138, a CX lot is directly across the street from BV). Concerns about who else is able to park in BV arise (gameday parking, strangers around their children, etc).

AUG/SEPT Petition is sent to Student Life. CGS President and VP meet with Dr. J, discuss issue, and hand deliver petition. Are given assurances that BV residents would not have to pay to park.

These assurances greatly reduce any further advocacy on CGS' part.

Petitions delivered to SL staff do not get forwarded to the Parking Advisory Committee (PAC), though members of SL sit on the PAC.

Feb 17th, CGS President informed by Dr. J that BV residents were being notified within the hour about their parking situation changing. Request that informational sessions take place.

Research into the concession agreement (article 7) shows that the University has the ability to change parking classification/designation as they see fit, but must notify Campus Parc 180 days before the next new cycle of permits begins on Aug 1. Feb 17th notification to BV residents came at 163 days before Aug 1.

At BV resident-only meetings it is discovered that BV staff were in attendance and taking notes, then reporting activities back to other staff. This occurred to some degree last year as well, and has not helped garner trust.

March 2nd, First informational session. Confirmed that SL VP Molly Calhoun (and SL in general) was aware of BV petition and did not forward info on to PAC, though she is a member of the committee. Multiple BV residents and families upset, confused, and panicked over their living situation. Concerns include: moving children who have become accustomed to their living arrangements, ability to pay (choice between parking and eating), multiple international students came to OSU specifically for BV and the stability it offered, being a GTA on a fixed income and with a contract that does not allow for additional income, inability of Campus Parc to properly police non residents, erroneous classification of BV as "Central Campus", lack of time allotted to make an informed decision, price gouging in order to displace residents for athletics takeover, and a growing lack of trust for SL, CP, and University Administrators.

The informational session offers not much more than the options available to residents for 2014: CPN parking at \$654/yr or WC5 option at \$400 per year (this is the far west Carmack lot on west campus. It takes two busses to get there from BV and is in no way a legitimate option for residents).

Met with Jay Casey, Molly Cahoun, Alex Wright, and BV resident Alex Skabelund to discuss parking. Jay agrees to look into the issue and will get back within 48hrs. He states that the 180 day deadline in the concession agreement is adjustable so long as both parties are agreeable.

We ask for a decrease in cost to a more sustainable \$100-150/yr range and either a removal of parking classification (rolling parking into rent costs), or a reclassification to a BV only parking label.

March 5th, email from Jay that they are still working on the issue.

March 6th, receive word that SL has sent out notification to BV residents of the following changes to take place:

Reduction of rent for 2014-2015 by \$30/month, with rent in 2015-16 to go up by no more than \$10 per month.

New classification to CPN-BV to indicate BV only parking.

WC5 parking remains an option.

BV residents do not accept the new terms as they are not sustainable and clearly a short term option. No reduction in rent was asked for, and any reduced rate would be post tax vs. a pre tax rate for parking. At CPN rate of \$654/yr, parking in BV will be approx \$800 in 5 years and over \$1000 in ten at the set increases of 5.5% per year.

March 8, Meet with BV residents to plan further strategy. Residents are moving ahead with plans to approach media, administrators, and state representatives, as well as an additional petition with twice as many signatures already has been created. A possible resident council is in the works.

Shuai Dong is working with residents on the ground at BV and I am focusing on meeting with University administrators. Currently setting up a meeting with Dr. Alutto. All other student government leaders have been informed.

Resolutions for both CGS and University Senate are being crafted.

### **Vice President/ Jamie Crowsley.1**

- Officer Transition Plan
  - As Josh has mentioned at previous meetings, putting into place an effective transition plan for future administrations is a goal that we are all working collectively towards. To ensure that the next Vice President's job transition into office is made as smooth as possible I have been giving my attention to key areas of the VP's responsibilities:
  - **Hayes Forum documentation, Website, & Management System.**
  - **O & E information:** Ensuring that all documentation is up to date on the OSU hard drive, ensuring apportionment is implemented, and ensuring up to date information on the website.
  - **Member records:** I will ensure that new delegates elected during the spring elections are added to the management system and correctly assigned to their seats. I will do the same for officers and senators.
  - **External committees:** The website committee database has already been put on the website and their most current information is displayed. These are ready for the next VP to update and assign CGS members to.
  - **Website:** I have taken primary responsibility for improving the website this year. Dead links have been removed, the site has been streamlined, re-organized, and is now largely glitch free. If anyone notices any issues/problems with the website please let me know so that I can get it put right!
  
- Hayes Forum
  - **Hayes Committee:** The Hayes Committee consisted of over 30 people this year. Thank you to everyone for collectively working toward making Hayes successful this year!
  - **Hayes Presenters Attendance:** Approximately 138 presenters presented at Hayes this year. Presentations were of an exceptionally high standard by all accounts. Several presenters have emailed me to thank the entire team for making Hayes such a meaningful professional

development experience for them this year. My thanks to everyone who helped this year to make it a success!

- **Hayes Judges Attendance:** Approximately 64 judges gave up their time to judge presentations this year. Feedback from judges has also been positive.
- **Career Panel:** We had 4 panelists give up their time to present this year. Their information is on the CGS website: <http://cgs.osu.edu/hayes-forum/2014-hayes-forum/2014-hayes-forum-career-panel/>.
- **Hayes Photos:** The Union offers photography at events for free. I submitted an application for a photographer and we now have commemorative photos of the event on the website: <http://cgs.osu.edu/hayes-forum/2014-hayes-forum/2014-hayes-forum-photos/>
- **Hayes Program:** If anyone wishes to see the program from 2014 it is now on the website: <http://cgs.osu.edu/hayes-forum/2014-hayes-forum/>
- **Hayes Winners:** There are 39 Winners across 10 oral and 3 poster subject areas. Their names have been published on the website: <http://cgs.osu.edu/hayes-forum/2014-hayes-forum/2014-hayes-forum-winners/>.

**Oral Presentation Winners**

**Poster Presentation Winners**

<p><b>The Arts</b>            1st Place: Yanfei Yin            2nd Place: Geoffrey Wilson            3rd Place: Orlay Alonso</p>	<p><b>Arts, Humanities, &amp; Social Sciences</b>            1st Place: Laura Berger            2nd Place: Devin Grammon            3rd Place: Leroy Long III</p>
<p><b>Biological Sciences</b>            1st Place: Aparna Lakshmanan            2nd Place: Reshma Davidson            3rd Place: Zoe Hesp</p>	<p><b>Biological Sciences</b>            1st Place: Grace Cooper            2nd Place: Jason Pitaressi            3rd Place: Daniel McKim</p>
<p><b>Business</b>            1st Place: Hyojin Lee            2nd Place: Chris Summers            3rd Place: Jamie Levine-Daniel</p>	<p><b>Engineering, Math, &amp; Physical Sciences</b>            1st Place: Arijit Ghosh            2nd Place: Sara Grieshop            3rd Place: Joshua Pritchard</p>
<p><b>Education &amp; Human Ecology</b>            1st Place: Emma Hooper            2nd Place: Megan Sanders            3rd Place: Travis Mountain</p>	
<p><b>Engineering</b>            1st Place: Likai Li            2nd Place: Elena Caruthers            3rd Place: Ria Mazumder</p>	
<p><b>Food, Agriculture, &amp; Environmental Sciences</b>            1st Place: Matthew Teegarden            2nd Place: Jessica Pempek            3rd Place: Dominic Petrella</p>	
<p><b>Humanities</b>            1st Place: Adrienne Winans            2nd Place: Jennifer Barajas            3rd Place: Delano Lopez</p>	
<p><b>Math &amp; Physical Sciences</b></p>	





additional tab for guests to enable the chair to keep track of Hayes attendees, and adding additional functionality to the automated letters that are sent out to people.

- **Budget:** As Hayes is now completed the final budget and cost of the event (excluding awards) has now been calculated. The final figure is within the allotted budget of \$28,000.
  - A joint committee decision was made not to produce commemorative plaques for winners this year. The production cost for these plaques would have been approximately \$650. It was deemed that this was not a good use of graduate student money as all presenters received certificates and the winners received prize money. The main purpose of Hayes is to provide a meaningful professional development experience and the committee has deemed that the plaques do not contribute to this to the extent that it justifies the cost.
  - Below is the new budget format showing the expenditure breakdown for the event. Alfred Yates, the Hayes Forum Vice Chair, has been instrumental in producing this. His expertise is much appreciated and it provides a more effective template for next year's Hayes Forum Chair. I have updated the budget with the final post Forum expenditure. I also received confirmation from the Union that all payments have been made for this event and it is now concluded. – SEE NEXT PAGE

## 2014 Hayes Forum Budget

Total Budget	\$	28,000.00
Total Spent	\$	13,533.72
<b>Remaining Balance</b>		<b>\$14,466.28</b>

Segment	Item	Budget	Actual	Excess
<b>Awards</b>		<b>\$ 14,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 14,000.00</b>
	<i>Oral Presentations</i>	\$ 12,000.00	\$ -	
	<i>Posters</i>	\$ 1,350.00	\$ -	
	<i>Plaques</i>	\$ 650.00	\$ -	
<b>Event</b>		<b>\$ 8,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,406.17</b>	<b>\$ 93.83</b>
	<b>Rooms</b>	<b>\$ 1,750.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,737.50</b>	
	<i>Poster Session</i>		\$ -	
	<i>Opening Session - US Bank Conf Theater</i>		\$ 300.00	
	<i>Bio Sci Sess. - Lower Level Mtg Rm</i>		\$ 62.50	
	<i>FAES Sess. - Maudine Cow Rm</i>		\$ 62.50	
	<i>Business Sess. - MCC Mtg Rm</i>		\$ -	
	<i>Arts Sess. - Staters Founders Rm</i>		\$ 62.50	
	<i>Humanities Sess. - Staters Trad Rm</i>		\$ -	
	<i>EHE Sess. - Rosa Alibouni Rm</i>		\$ 62.50	
	<i>SBS Sess. - SAC Rm</i>		\$ 62.50	
	<i>Prof. Bio Sci Sess. - Suzanne Scharer Rm</i>		\$ 62.50	
	<i>MAPS Sess. - Tanya Rutner</i>		\$ 62.50	
	<i>Panel Discussion - US Bank Conf Theater</i>		\$ -	
	<i>Awards Luncheon - Performance Hall</i>		\$ 1,000.00	
	<b>AV/Tech</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>	
	<i>Laptops from Union (4)</i>		\$ 200.00	
	<i>Laptops from Resource Rm (5)</i>		\$ -	
	<i>Laptop from Bartha (1)</i>		\$ 100.00	
	<i>Audio Console - US Bank Conf Theater</i>		\$ -	
	<i>Stage Lighting - US Bank Conf Theater</i>		\$ -	
	<i>Lighting Console - US Bank Conf Theater</i>		\$ -	
	<i>Microphones - US Bank Conf Theater (4)</i>		\$ -	
	<i>Microphone Stands - US BCT (4)</i>		\$ -	
	<i>Wireless Mic for Opening Session</i>		\$ 100.00	
	<i>Wireless Mic for Panel</i>		\$ 50.00	
	<i>Wireless Mic for Awards</i>		\$ 50.00	
	<i>Microphone Stand for Awards</i>		\$ -	
	<i>Audio Console - Performance Hall</i>		\$ -	
	<b>Labor</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,948.50</b>	
	<i>Poster Set-Up</i>		\$ 80.00	
	<i>Poster Take-Down</i>		\$ 40.00	
	<i>Breakfast Banquet Servers</i>		\$ 216.00	
	<i>1-Hour Early Open</i>		\$ 100.00	
	<i>AV Event Lead- Opening Session</i>		\$ 187.50	
	<i>AV Event Techs- Breakout Rms</i>		\$ 80.00	
	<i>AV Event Tech- Panel Discussion</i>		\$ 25.00	
	<i>Banquet Servers (16 for 5 hours)</i>		\$ 1,080.00	
	<i>AV Event Lead - Awards Luncheon</i>		\$ 100.00	
	<i>AV Event Tech - Awards Luncheon</i>		\$ 40.00	

<b>Catering</b>	<b>\$ 4,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,069.67</b>	
Poster Session Breakfast for 225		\$ 1,050.50	
Assorted Large Muffins (6)		\$ 82.50	
Scones (5)		\$ 72.50	
Petite Croissants (4)		\$ 40.00	
Fruit & Cheese Danish (4)		\$ 55.00	
Fruit Trays (150 people)		\$ 562.50	
Regular Coffee (7 gallons)		\$ 119.00	
Decaf Coffee (4 gallons)		\$ 68.00	
Hot Tea (3 gallons)		\$ 51.00	
Coca-Cola Order (Grant)		\$ 175.42	
Linens and Beverage Bins		\$ -	
Bottled Water for Panelists (4)		\$ 3.75	
Lunch		\$ 2,840.00	
Lunch - Salads (traditional blend, 208)		\$ 416.00	
Lunch - Lemon Garlic Chicken (163)		\$ 1,426.25	
Lunch - Vegetable Lasagna (40)		\$ 310.00	
Lunch - Entrée Custom Items (5)		\$ 43.75	
Lunch - Chocolate Cake (104)		\$ 312.00	
Lunch - Cheesecake (104)		\$ 312.00	
Lunch - Dessert Custom Items (5)		\$ 20.00	
<b>Linens for Lunch Tables</b>		<b>\$ 40.50</b>	
<b>Ohio Union Equipment</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>	<b>\$ 85.00</b>	
Creenzas for Registration		\$ -	
Coat Racks for Luncheon (2)		\$ 25.00	
Catering Curtains for Luncheon		\$ -	
Easels for Signs (12)		\$ 60.00	
<b>Parking Tickets for Panel (4)</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>	<b>\$ 25.00</b>	
<b>Graphics</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 845.43</b>	<b>\$ 154.57</b>
Posters (200)		\$ 394.96	
Flyers (0)		\$ -	
Program (300)		\$ 450.47	
<b>Gifts</b>	<b>\$ 4,200.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,100.50</b>	<b>\$ 99.50</b>
Lapel Pins (300)		\$ 669.00	
Tote Bags (250)		\$ 351.00	
Large Splashpads (250)		\$ 782.50	
Flash Light Pen (150)		\$ 620.50	
Thermos (250)		\$ 1,677.50	
<b>Other</b>	<b>\$ 300.00</b>	<b>\$ 181.62</b>	<b>\$ 118.38</b>
Name Badges & Badge Holders	\$ 150.00	\$ 112.04	
Certificate Holders	\$ 100.00	\$ 55.93	
Certificate Ribbons	\$ 50.00	\$ 13.65	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 28,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 13,533.72</b>	<b>\$ 14,466.28</b>

- For comparison purposes, here is the old Hayes Forum budget template:

<b>Hayes 2014 Budget</b>						
		Budget		Actual		Difference
<b>Awards</b>		<b>\$ 14,000.00</b>		<b>\$ -</b>		<b>\$ 14,000.00</b>
Oral Presentations		\$ 12,000.00		\$ -		\$ 12,000.00
Posters		\$ 1,350.00		\$ -		\$ 1,350.00
Plaques		\$ 650.00		\$ -		\$ 650.00
<b>Miscellaneous</b>		<b>\$ 500.00</b>		<b>\$ -</b>		<b>\$ 500.00</b>
Ribbons				\$ -		
Moving Poster Boards				\$ -		
certificates				\$ -		
foam core for session signs				\$ -		
nametag holders				\$ -		
<b>Space/technology/AV staff</b>		<b>\$ 2,450.00</b>		<b>\$ 2,950.00</b>		<b>\$ (500.00)</b>
<b>Catering</b>		<b>\$ 6,500.00</b>		<b>\$ 5,500.00</b>		<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>
Breakfast		\$ 1,000.00		\$ -		
Luncheon (including space/AV)						
204 guests		\$ 5,500.00		\$ -		\$ 5,500.00
<b>Panel</b>		<b>\$ -</b>		<b>\$ -</b>		<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Marketing</b>		<b>\$ 500.00</b>		<b>\$ -</b>		<b>\$ 500.00</b>
<b>Program</b>		<b>\$ 250.00</b>		<b>\$ -</b>		<b>\$ 250.00</b>
<b>Gifts</b>		<b>\$ 3,800.00</b>		<b>\$ 4,270.00</b>		<b>\$ (470.00)</b>
Calendar (150)		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -
Tumbler (350)		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -
Pin (300)		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -
Bag		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -
Pad		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -
Pen		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 28,000.00</b>		<b>\$ -</b>		<b>\$ 28,000.00</b>

- Organization & Elections Committee
  - **Apportionment:** Act 1314-SP-011 was passed at the 02/14/2014 delegate meeting. 6 delegate amendments to the Act were passed during that meeting:
    - Developmental Biology changed name to molecular, cellular, and developmental biology.
    - Allied medicine changed name to Health & Rehabilitation Sciences.
    - Integrated Biomedical Sciences changed name to Biomedical Sciences Graduate Program.
    - Communications changed name to School of Communication.
    - Civil Engineering changed name to Civil & Environmental Engineering.
    - Glenn School of Public Administration changed name to John Glenn School of Public Affairs.
  - **Apportionment:** This Act is being implemented on the management system and will be reflected in time for the spring delegate elections.
  - **New election system:** This has been looked at by Kerry Hodak and I. It has been rolled out into production in time for the spring delegate election. This should make elections going forward much less prone to technical glitches and will make the determination process much easier for future VPs.
  - **Delegate Resignation:** Philip Chang from Fisher has resigned due to scheduling conflicts. We thank Philip for his past service to the CGS.
  - **New Delegates:** We have 2 new delegates who have completed all necessary stages of the delegate application and petition process:
    - Marissa Kaloga for Social Work.
    - Sara Thomas for OSU Nutrition.
  - **Officer Elections:** All elections are typically chaired by the VP as the Chair of the Organization & Elections Committee. However, if the VP is either running in the officer elections or cannot say categorically that they will not be running then those elections are chaired by the Vice Chair of the Organization & Elections Committee, the Chief of Staff. Donald will therefore be overseeing the officer elections and all questions pertaining to these elections should be directed to him.
  - **Delegate Elections:** Our spring elections for all delegate seats will occur during March and April. These positions will be advertized largely online through listserv communication and the CGS website. The most recent apportionment will be reflected in these elections. We have over 130 seats available for graduate students to apply to. Please ensure that any email communications that you receive from Sarah are passed on to the graduate student listservs in your respective program areas/departments.

- External committees
  - The graduate associate teaching awards committee had a grad student vacancy due to the appointee having a family bereavement. Marissa Kaloga volunteered to sit on this committee (thank you!).
  - Zayd Abukar is unable to make the University Rec Sports committee meeting on March 28. Devon Rogers has agreed to be his alternate at this meeting (thank you!).
  - All positions are currently filled.
  
- Member Records
  - Delegates who have resigned or been removed are being updated on the management system.
  - New delegates are being added to the website and to the delegate listservs.
  
- Council on Student Affairs
  - During the 02/24/2014 CSA meeting, Dr J passed on her thanks to the Hayes Forum committee for working so hard to make it a success. I would also like to reiterate my thanks to all members who made Hayes a success this year!

**Secretary/ Sarah Lang.279**

- Please keep sending news and events for calendar/blog
- Had productive meeting with Leslie Alexander, current Chair of Faculty Council, have ideas about who to contact next. See proposed Resolution
- Had great meeting with Dean Herness about the Disability Studies Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization issues; will let Townsend.681 share the details.
- See updates to website: <https://cgs.osu.edu/governance/2013-2014-minutes-legislation/>

**Treasurer/ Morgan Cichon.8**

- Senate Fiscal
  - Student Fee Proposal
    - Key Concerns
      - An unequal distribution of student fees has evolved across colleges without an overall guiding or strategic philosophy.
      - Fees have increased from 103 to 349 since FY09, with many being course fees.
      - Course fees lack transparency and are difficult for students and families to plan for (not predictable).
      - The distribution of the State Share of Instruction (SSI) already recognizes higher cost courses.

- Course fees seem to be a way of generating funds without increasing tuition.
  - Key Recommendations
    - Course fees on general education, prerequisites for majors and core major classes should be limited.
    - Implementation of these recommendations should be budget neutral to the colleges.
    - New course fees or increases in existing fees should only be approved in exceptional circumstances.
    - Units with multiple fees (course, program, lab, etc.) should review to see if they can be combined or eliminated.
    - Units will track fee revenue separately.
    - In addition to the existing requirements for fee requests, full cost justification for any fee request – new or existing – should be implemented. Must recognize subsidy category and why costs exceed what is distributed through the budget model.
  - The Central Distribution Subcommittee is currently reviewing the funding structure for the regional campuses.
- Ad Hoc Budget Model Review
  - It has been estimated that a report from the committee will be finalized around the end of April.
  - A survey was created for Deans, SFOs and Department Chairs to gauge their perception of the budget model. The committee is currently in the process of reviewing results of this survey.
  - Considerations for the report
    - Is it time for rebasing?
    - What is the appropriate cost center? Especially for Arts and Sciences
    - More transparency and better communication are needed surrounding the allocation of funds inside and outside of the budget model.
    - With a freeze on tuition and a decrease in state subsidy, new sources of ongoing revenue are needed.
    - Is the method by which the State Share of Instruction (SSI) is allocated within OSU appropriate or should it be updated to reflect changes in how the state determines subsidy for each University? (graduation rates)
    - Need to assess return on strategic investments.
- CGS
  - We are discussing changes to the delegate outreach program to increase involvement.
  - We are currently working on structuring the budget for FY15.

**Chief of Staff/ Donald Wiggins.106**

None



## Standing Committee Written Reports

### Grants Administration, Elizabeth Sandoval.32

#### Career Development Grant:

- The online Career Development Grant application is available as of March 4<sup>th</sup> at:
- <https://cgs.osu.edu/secure/career/>
- Applications should be completed by April 4<sup>th</sup>, at 11:59 pm.
- Please remember the new word limits: the Statement of Intent (250-500 words), and the Career Development Plan (500-1000 words).
- The rubric/ judging criteria and the application process have changed: less points and each is worth 5 points (total of 25 vs. 50). The rubric is linked to the application so the applicants still see the points on which their applications are judged.
- You can find guidelines at: [https://cgs.osu.edu/funding/development\\_funding/](https://cgs.osu.edu/funding/development_funding/)
- Please e-mail Elizabeth (sandoval.32) if you encounter any problems or if you would like to judge.

#### Global Gateway Grant:

- The deadline was March 14<sup>th</sup>, the Friday of spring break.
- The award will grant \$1,500 to grad students who are conducting travel to support their master's or doctorate.
- The award is now funded by the Office of International Affairs, the Graduate School, and CGS.
- \*\*Really Need Judges\*\*\*

### Diversity & Inclusion Committee, Krista Bryson.53

- No updates

### SERC, Todd Mills.532

### Governmental Relations Committee, David Rochman.2

- All constitutional upgrades not covered in current acts before the Council will be carried over to next year's Council
- President Obama released Tuesday the FY15 federal budget proposal totaling \$3.9 trillion, which is \$56 billion above the statutory cap enacted last year. The new funding supports an Opportunity, Growth and Security initiative. Education highlights include an increase for Pell Grants, new grant programs to encourage state investment in higher education and improving outcomes for low income students, and increases to International Programs. Research highlights include slight increases for NIH, NSF, NASA, DoD, Dept. of Energy Office of Science, and USDA's AFRI.

**Health and Wellness Committee, Niranjani Deshpande.39**

Relax, Rejuvenate, Refresh workshop by the Art of Living Foundation has been pushed back April 3rd due to scheduling conflicts. The workshop will accommodate ~30 people and will include some relaxation exercises, breathing modalities and fun games. To learn more about the Art of Living Foundation, go to <http://www.artofliving.org/us-en> . Point of contact person: Pooja Joshi.115

**International Relations Committee, Shuai Dong.209**

Buckeye Village (BV) Parking fee issue: New parking policy to be implemented by CampusParc for residents in BV starting August, 2014. Residents are required to purchase CP-BV passes (\$654/year/car) to park in BV overnight with no guaranteed space. CP-BV passes come with Lane and west Lane Garage accesses. Other acceptable parking passes in BV are WC5 (Carmack lot O/N storage) and B passes. However, these passes don't allow overnight parking, and no clear mechanisms have been put in place to differentiate residents and non-residents. Similar policy has been attempted for school year 2013-14, due to short notice and two rounds of petitions, fees weren't eventually charged to the residents. They are again facing the same fee for this coming year. BV residents were notified on Feb 17 2014, had come to the third round of petition (over 200 signatures) arguing both the structure and price. Mar 6, University Housing announced a \$30/month rent decrease for the year 2014-15 (May 16, 2014, through May 15, 2015). CampusParc didn't make any changes to the structure and price since then. CGS has been working closely with BV residents representatives and office of student life for building better policies and clarified details.

**Academic Relations Committee, Molly Krygowski.5**

**Communications Committee, Mao Vang.18**

No report

**Ray Travel Award Committee, Morgan Cichon.8**

Applications for Funding Period #4 are due April 4th. Conference dates for this funding period are June 1, 2014 – August 26, 2014. Please remind your constituents.

**Senate Advisory, Andrew Pucker.1**

The next University Senate meeting will be held on March 27th at 3:30 PM in 130 Drinko Hall

**Ad Hoc Committee on DS GIS/Neil Townsend.681**