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   a. Roll Call
   b. Statement of Quorum by Speaker
   c. Approval of the Minutes
   d. Amendments to the Agenda
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   a. Senate Bill F11-01 – Allocating Funds to Screen PhD Movie and Host PhD Comics Creator Jorge Cham
III. Open Forum
   a. Craig Ogilvie, Assistant Dean, Graduate College
   b. Roberta L. Johnson, Director of Student Financial Aid
IV. Senate Forum
   a. OPEN
V. Remarks and Reports
   a. Report of the President
      i. President Smith
   b. Report of the Vice President and Rules Committee
      i. Vice President Fateh
   c. Report of the Treasurer and Finance Committee
      i. Treasurer Gross
   d. Report of the CIO and Election Committee
      i. CIO Sarkar
   e. Report of the URLA Chair
      i. URLA Chair Pelzer
   f. Report of the PAG Chair
      i. PAG Chair Brgoch
   g. Graduate and GSB Senator Report
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I. Call to order 7:00 P.M.
   a. Roll Call
   b. Statement of Quorum by Speaker – quorum met
   c. Approval of the Minutes- approved
   d. Amendments to the Agenda
      i. Speaker to Open Forum
      ii. Revote on bills from last week to amend Constitution and By-laws (old business)

II. Introduction of new bills and resolutions
   a. Senate Bill S11-06 - Allocating funds for the 4th Annual Rabies Symposium

III. Open Forum
   a. Associate Dean William Graves – Dean of the Graduate College
      i. There are no plans currently to cut graduate programs
      ii. It is a very involved process to cut graduate programs
      iii. 113 Graduate majors currently and 37 certificate programs
      iv. We have gained more graduate programs in the last decade then we have lost
      v. We are developing a process to evaluate inter-departmental majors – we would welcome feedback
      vi. Smith – Example would be elimination of History of Science and Technology major; how can graduate students be more involved? - I can come as often as you need to come update you on this issue
      vii. Looking at overview of graduate programs similar to one performed at University of Iowa last year
      viii. Gross – GRST 633 – Will now be charged FICA (social security) – 5.65% about $90mo
         1. Graves – we didn’t realize this would be the case – you will no longer be considered a student and exemption from FICA will disappear; Dean Holger has said by early this fall we will have a plan in place to take care of this by next summer; different colleges are looking at different ways to cover this (eg, a small summer raise to cover this)
      ix. Woolcock – this arises because we are getting no credit – couldn’t we get research credit for the class
         1. Graves – you can’t receive credit without tuition
      x. Kirk – What is limit to not have to pay FICA?
         1. ¾ time, but not beyond that
xi. K. Ament – Difference in fees between being registered and not?
   1. No
xii. Kramer – Can’t take this if you are graduating?
   1. No, not if you are defending
xiii. Fateh – as much as ¾ time in summer?
   1. Yes
xiv. Russel – How does this affect student loans?
   1. Lott – 633 will be treated like internship and so loans will still be able to be obtained and deferred
xv. Gross – how does it work with NSF grants?
   1. I’ll look into that
xvi. Kemmet – Graduation ceremony
   1. Registrar’s office is in charge of graduation ceremony; rising concern with the number of students at graduation at CY Stephens; guests were limited to 6; if you can reasonably limit guests to 6, that would be appreciated, there will be no enforcement; it was a friendly request; there won’t be any ticketing; we don’t know happens if they meet capacity; ask our guests to sit close together – don’t create a lot of single, empty seats
xvii. Sarkar – in the event of being over capacity, can we put screens outside to see?
   1. I can email them to bring this up and suggest it
b. Sarah Passonneau - Assessment Library
   i. We would really like to get feedback from graduate students
   ii. We have no baseline data on graduate students – about 10 minutes
   iii. Questions
      1. Senator Joyce – if you are graduating in May, is this a good survey to do?
         a. Maybe no
   iv. Beverage card and cookies for those who participate in focus group
      1. Luttrell – if you are graduating, should we do this? No
   v. Read confidentiality statement
   vi. Survey: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/9X2Q8GJ
   vii. Contact: spassomn@iastate.edu (w) 294-2117; (c) 203-5517
   viii. Krissage – what should we do with completed survey?
      1. Hard survey back to me; Give email and name if you want to be contacted
   ix. This can affect how we spend money and do renovations in the library
   x. This IS voluntary
   xi. We are doing an international version next year
xii. Kemmet – will the results be shared?
   1. Yes, transcriptions will be shared of focus group
   2. What are we doing well?
   3. In terms of the building itself, is there anything we can do better?
   4. Instructional services to help speed up your research and get you things quicker
5. Future service
   xiii. Russell – Can we pass this on to our constituents?
       1. Yes, but please inform them why we are doing this and why it is so long
   xiv. Kramer – How can you do focus group if its anonymous
       1. The focus group gets you the cookies, which you can provide your information
   xv. When you do this survey, if there is something irritates you about it, please let me know

IV. Senate Forum
   a. None

V. Remarks and Reports
   a. Report of the President
      President Bodnar – she got a prestigious fellowship and is in Washington DC
   b. Report of the Vice President and Rules Committee
      Vice President Smith
      i. Rules committee did not meet this month- bill is being waived with opinion from rules committee
      ii. VEISHEA ended this weekend – please bring any comments or concerns by Wednesday; hostility on Welch?
      iii. We don’t know budget yet
   c. Report of the Treasurer and Finance Committee
      Treasurer Gross
      i. Finance committee looked at bills and reported our favorably
      ii. Tell your constituents about FICA – it is about $100/month
         1. Swanson – who should we talk to?
            a. Your boss
         2. Some departments are reconsidering
         3. Some students are FICA exept
         4. Kramer – there seems to be a lot in flux – is there any place to get information
            a. Shelley – I sent out the most recent information – tuition will be assessed on Friday
   d. Report of the CIO and Election Committee
      CIO Kemmet
e. Report of the URLA Chair
   URLA Chair Allen
   i. My future position holder Chris will collect committee updates
   ii. Thank you to all the graduate students who participated in VEISHEA
f. Report of the PAG Chair
   PAG Chair Luttrell
   i. Senator Brgoch will be new PAG chair
   ii. Peer teaching and research award announced
g. Graduate and GSB Senator Report

VI. Old Business
   a. Second vote on SB S11-03: Amending the By-Laws and Articles of Cooperation
      i. Question
         1. Favor – 42
         2. Opposed – 0
         3. Abstain – 1
      ii. Passes
   b. SB S11-04: Amending the Constitution
      i. Question
         1. Favor- 44
         2. Opposed- 0
         3. Abstain-1
      ii. Passes

VII. New Business
   a. Senate Bill S11-06 – Allocating funds for the 4th Annual Rabies Symposium
      i. Read by Senator White (allocate $1400)
      ii. Presentation by Planning Board for 4th Annual Rabies Symposium at Iowa State
      iii. Questions
         1. Laughlin – if you got donations, would that offset this budget?
            a. Yes, then it gets return
            b. Gross – if money doesn’t get returned then it comes off allocations
         2. Smith – can you do interactive questioning?
            a. We are looking into it; also, typing in questions and someone reads them
         3. Keweshan – I think the ideas is a good one, do you feel like you have a lot of interest from outside Vet Med?
            a. Registration to Gateway Center is free and students can go there; the overflow is for people who only want to go to a few talks, which may appeal to a broader base; We were just notified a few weeks ago that we won this so we haven’t informed everyone yet
         4. Kirk – POC – we are in discussion for food for offsite? (YES)
            How essential is food to making this a success
            a. This event will happen either way with or without funding; food is a great benefit and accommodating; we have over
30 clubs; food makes more people come; trying to make experience similar for on-site and overflow

5. Allen – Food really helps, people won’t come only for good, but it helps

6. Gross – we did basically fund the exact same thing last month; we have $37,000 in our account

7. Question
   a. Favor - 43
   b. Oppose -0
   c. Abstain – 2

8. Passes

VIII. Announcements
   a. Smith – Don’t forget next week W (April 27) 5-6:30 for presidential search

IX. Adjournment
Title: Allocating Funds to Screen PhD Movie and Host PhD Comics Creator Jorge Cham

Whereas: A collaboration of The Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS) and The Graduate College to promote interaction among interdisciplinary graduate and professional students, and

Whereas: Further cosponsoring campus organizations include: Latino Heritage Month, SUB films, University Committee on Lectures, Postdoctoral Association, and

Whereas: Additional cosponsors are expected to lessen the final GPSS contribution, and

Whereas: Cosponsor contributions would be applied in full with GPSS contributions requested herein applied to any outstanding balance, and

Whereas: The GPSS currently has a surplus of funds, be it therefore

Enacted: That up to $2000 be allocated from reserve funds to screen PhD Movie: Piled Higher and Deeper and return 2008 Veisha speaker and PhD Comics Creator Jorge Cham, tentatively scheduled for 27th September, 2011 at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Union Great Hall, pursuant to the budget below.

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