GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SENATE
Meeting Agenda

Monday, October 27th, 2014; 7:00 PM
Memorial Union South Ballroom

I. Call to Order 7:00 PM
   i. Roll Call
   ii. Statement of a Quorum by the Vice-President
   iii. Approval of Meeting Notes
   iv. Amendments to the agenda

II. Introduction of New Bills and Resolutions
   i. SB-F14-08 – Fall 2014 Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS) Regular
      Allocations

III. Open Forum
   i. Michael Crum, Vice President for Economic Development and Industry Relations
   ii. Elaine Newell, Ombudsperson

IV. Senate Forum
   i. PAG Committee

V. Remarks and Reports
   i. Report of the President – President Arko Mukherjee
   ii. Report of the Vice President and Rules Committee – Vice President Zachary Zenko
   iii. Report of the Treasurer and Finance Committee – Treasurer Timothy Rakitan
   v. Report of the URLA Chair and URLA Committee – URLA Chair Ruchir Goswami
   vi. Report of the PAF Chair and the PAF Committee – PAF Chair Cory Kleinheksel
   vii. Report of the GSB-Senator at Large

VI. Unfinished Business
   i. None

VII. New Business
   i. SB-F14-08 – Fall 2014 Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS) Regular
      Allocations

VIII. Announcements

IX. Adjournment
1. Roll call
   a. Quorum has been met
2. Approval of August Meeting Notes
   a. Approved
3. Amending the agenda
   a. Striking the elections and unfinished business
   b. Unanimous consent
4. Introduction of new bills
   a. Clarification and correct PAG Policies
   b. Amending the budgets
   c. Awareness of new PAG policies
   d. Nominating GSB Senators
   e. Setting the deadline of the Peer Research and Teaching awards
5. Open Forum
   a. Dr. Thomas Hill, Senior Vice President for Student Affairs
      i. Mission is student success
      ii. Student Affairs
         1. Help succeed academically and personally
         2. Need help on how they can best help grad students
         3. Need to know what relationships to maintain on an ongoing basis
         4. In the division
            a. Admissions
            b. Dining
            c. International students and scholars
            d. Health center
            e. And many more (Each delivering one or more services)
   5. Some are funded via state dollars and others are funded via student fees
   6. Each year funding priorities are established
   7. This year
      a. Recruitment
b. Retention  
c. Diversity  
d. Community development  
e. Resource development  

iii. Questions

1. Increased enrollment has caused a shortage of graduate housing  
   a. Fredrickson court offered a dedicated building for graduate students, but the demand was too low to sustain. Same with the Kingland development.  
   b. We need to start this discussion with students now and understanding their housing needs now! So we can measure demand and commit facilities. We need to be given enough time though.  
   c. Relationships are important  
   d. Not enough time to bring ISU housing online, so most will be at mercy of the real estate managers throughout Ames.  
   e. It is the President’s goal to increase graduate enrollment by 150 students every year until 2020  
   f. Please continue this conversation by contacting Dr. Hill directly.  

2. Bike share program  
   a. GSB president had a proposal to do that, but GSB senators did not support this year  

3. CyRide changes regarding busy central campus  
   a. Talking about removing it  
   b. Kid was killed  
   c. May now have to walk from the perimeter of the campus  
   d. Think of it like a wellness initiative  
   e. This has been done in other places too  
   f. Senator suggestion  
      i. Ticketing jay walking  
      ii. Install skywalks  
      iii. Identify and mark bike/skateboard paths  

4. Enrollment limiting  
   a. We are landgrant  
   b. We must accept everyone that meets the state’s standards  

5. Childcare staff are needed  
   a. 100’s of people are inline
b. University doesn’t have the resources to support the additions and are unaware of the demand needs

b. Laura Doering, Registrar
   i. There is interest in awarding a leadership excellence award
      1. Reading of Senate Bill S14-11
      2. Support for adding to transcript
      3. Need additional discussion with the commencement committee

ii. Bundled fee proposal – one-time records fee
   1. Transcript fee
   2. Graduation fee
   3. Pay upfront (likely under $200)
   4. Then receive free transcripts for life and not have to pay a graduation fee
   5. Poll
      a. Mixed support / mixed objections
   6. Goal would be bring in the same revenue annually, but possibly a bit higher than what is needed
   7. PDF transcripts may also change this in the future

6. Senate Forum
   a. Senator Anna Prisacari, HCI
      i. Free services for grad students
         1. Learning communities
         2. CIRTL – free workshops and seminars
         3. Faculty diversity program
      ii. Contact for more info
   b. Finance committee
      i. Fall social success and money leftover
         1. Mini socials
         2. Please make suggestions
            a. Mother’s pub pizza
            b. PhD movie showing
         3. Contact the treasurer

7. Exec remarks and reports
   a. Please read reports for more details
   b. President
      i. Tuition and fee increases
      ii. Research conference committee needs participation and a co-chair
      iii. Is a dietician needed for graduate students, please fill out the survey
c. Vice
   i. Rules committee members needed
   ii. Potential for reorganizing exec positions
      1. Elimination of PAG Chair
      2. Create social committee
      3. Create an events chair (a.k.a. conference chair)
   iii. November 17th meeting will now be on November 10th at Vet Med room 2532

d. Treasurer
   i. Online regular allocations applications going well
   ii. Working on new guidelines for allocations
   iii. Please join the finance committee
   iv. Had money left over from the fall social, need suggestions
      1. Renting out the ice arena

e. CIO
   i. Please give feedback on regular allocations online
   ii. Authentication on the website now works
   iii. Please let the CIO chair know if you come in late or need to leave early
   iv. Website updates

f. URLA chair
   i. Report read

g. PAG chair
   i. Peer awards
   ii. Faculty awards
   iii. PAG Policies updates
   iv. PAG educational materials will be developed

h. GSB report
   i. Bike program bill in creation
   ii. Please forward questions and concerns

8. New business
   a. F14-06 Updating PAG
      i. Doubt expressed on rolling over left over funds to the next month
      ii. Called to question
      iii. Passed
   b. F14-07 Modifying the budget for new PAF policies
      i. Concern for the removal of $200
         1. Split equally over all months
         2. Current bill already handles the case of roll over
      ii. Amendment to strike the removal of $200
1. Called to question
2. Passed
   iii. Concern that the bill does not do anything
       1. This is a finance bill needed to modify the budget
   iv. Called to question
   v. Passed

   c. F14-03 Awareness of New PAG Policies
      i. Discussion that departments are not involved in the allocation of PAGs, it is purely an internal to GPSS procedure
      ii. Called to question
      iii. Passed

   d. F14-04 Nominating students to GSB Senate
      i. Motion to amend to remove the student that withdrew
      ii. Unanimous Consent
      iii. Called to question
      iv. Unanimous Consent

   e. F14-08 Setting the Peer Research and Teaching award deadline
      i. Called to question
      ii. Passed

9. Announcements
   a. Search for new library dean, send to Senator Anderson
   b. Invite to October 10th Latino food night, $5 in advance, $6 at the door

10. Adjournment
President Report

1. Graduate Career Services: Interviews are on. Currently down to 4 candidates. The process should be done by November and the selected candidate should be on board by January 2015.
2. POS Online application is now live. Students can now submit online POS forms.
3. Research conference:
   a. Any contacts for a keynote speaker?
4. Met UNI graduate students on October 14th representing GPSS.
5. GPSS represented at Meet your Government Day.
6. The exec committee meets the Provost Friday October 17th.
7. Iowa State University joins University Innovation Alliance as a founding member. More information: http://www.theuia.org/
8. Graduate College currently debating the number of undergraduate credits allowed in graduate POS form.
9. Attached are slides from the Annual Report from the Ombuds Office.

Vice President Report

1. Suggestions for supplementary materials to be sent with legislation
   a. After an inspiring chat with Provost Wickert, I would like to suggest that legislation – especially complicated legislation – includes an attachment that explains the implications. A recent example is the legislation brought before the Senate with tracked changes. This supplement material, though not required, could make the argument prior in favor of the bill prior to the Senate meeting. This will give the Senate more time to read it, think about it, and come up with reasoned discussion points.
   b. This would also give the Senate ample time for fact checking, outside of the Senate floor.
   c. Importantly, it should be noted that any legislation coming before the Senate floor is not necessarily endorsed by the executive council, university, or any Senate committee. The points of view argued in the supplementary material should always be based on fact and evidence and are not necessarily the points of view of the executive council, university, or any Senate committee.
Treasurer Report

Treasurer’s Report: 10/27/2014

- RegularAllocations:
  - $9,036.83 awarded in Regular Allocations; $4,963.17 unused from Fall cycle
  - In total, 14 requests considered; more expected next semester
  - Send us your ideas for how to use the leftovers

- SpecialAllocations:
  - We spent $1,500 to support the Lectures program; this depleted our Specials Allocations. Anyone interested can write legislation to move surplus funds into Specials.

- Socials surplus:
  - We’ve still got $763.72 leftover from the Fall Social. Somebody tell me how to spend it!

CIO Report

1) Updates from Operations Committee Meeting
   a) GPSRC Web Page Update
   b) Automation of voting results generation
   c) Online Senator Nomination

2) Online Regular Allocation Updates
1) Need graduate student representation for following:

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2) The second Professional Development Seminar scheduled for Nov 10\(^{th}\) has been postponed, since it is conflicting with the Senate meeting for November itself. It should be noted that the Senate meeting was shifted from Nov 17\(^{th}\) to Nov 10\(^{th}\) due to Richard Dawkin’s lecture which is partially being sponsored by GPSS. The new dates for the professional development seminar would be communicated soon.

3) GPSS Research Conference:
   a. Need Faculty participation for judging
   b. Call for abstracts would start around mid-November
   c. Please provide feedback regarding who you would like to see as a Keynote speaker or what workshops you would like to see at GPSRC 2015. Drop an email to gpssurla@iastate.edu
PAG Report

1. Senators please remind your constituents to submit their Margaret Ellen White Graduate Faculty Award to you. Then Senators please submit to me before the next Senate meeting. Each department or program is allowed 1 nomination per senate representative.

2. PAG Committee met and corresponded to begin preparing educational materials for the transition to the new policies and procedures. Those draft materials will be ready and presented at the October GPSS meeting. Senator feedback is requested.

3. New PAG Policies and Procedures were posted prominently to the PAG website. Department contacts were notified of the new PAG procedures beginning January 1st, 2015.

4. To complete the New System transition smoothly
   a. Senator feedback at the October Senate meeting is critical in our final draft of educational materials for Students and Department Staff.
   b. Educational materials will finalized and posted to the website.
   c. PAG applications will begin to be accepted on November 16th. No changes to the application form is anticipated at this point.
   d. Prior to December 16th, the PAG committee will conduct a mock lottery using past applications to simulate the lottery procedure.
   e. Between December 16th and 22nd, the PAG committee will conduct the first lottery of the new system.
Senators at Large

Bike Share Program

On Wednesday, October 15, 2014, the Government of the Student Body (GSB) passed Senate Bill 2014-2-048 (Senate and Executive Collaboration on Bike Share and Campus Transportation) to fund the Bike Share Program.

City Council Meeting

GSB met with the City Council on Wednesday October 8, 2014 and discussed issues regarding Ames housing and Cyride transit. The Ames housing website, Cityofames.org, will be useful to all ISU students and the Ames Community at large. There is assurance of crime free housing with this arrangement, unlike Craigslist. Modifications will always be done in case there is demand from the students and the tenants.

Upcoming Business

1. Upcoming meeting with Cyride Board of Trustees

   **When:** Thursday, December 4th at 7:45 am

   **Where:** CyRide Headquarters in CyRide Conference Room

   **Topic:** Final Budget Discussions, action, if any, would be taken

TITLE: Fall 2014 Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS) Regular Allocations

WHEREAS: The GPSS allocates funds to graduate and professional student organizations twice a year, and

WHEREAS: The GPSS Finance Committee has reviewed all Fall 2014 allocation requests and heard appeals for the recommendations made by the GPSS Finance Committee, be it therefore

ENACTED: That the GPSS allocate funding to graduate and professional student organizations as follows:

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