

Report of the President

- Updates from Administration
 - GPSS and Stu Gov will be meeting with the President, Provost, VPSA, and other leaders to discuss upcoming BOR (November 15-16)
 - BOR DEI report has been moved to the last slot on the last day and will be announced after our student breakfast
 - Graduate Council
 - Executive committee of graduate faculty and provides input on policy decisions
 - Use and ownership of educational materials policy
 - Potential reconfiguration of this committee as part of Faculty Senate
 - Strategic Initiatives Committee
 - Preparing for next year- will hear from folks on this committee in January
 - ISU Accreditation
 - Criterion 4: teaching and learning- evaluation and improvement
- Dean Graves Meeting
 - Student health insurance
 - Econ Dept Request and Incomplete Coursework
 - Interdepartmental Programs and Funding Past the First Year
 - Funding
 - Course Offerings
- Awards committee
 - Met twice this month to review all our awards and prepare them for this year's applications
 - Leadership, Teaching, Research Awards- December 1st; Wakonse Conference Award- December 1st
 - Will be awarded during the awards ceremony of the GPSS Research Conference
 - MEW Award- Feb 10th; change in collaboration with Provost Office

Report of the Vice President

- FOOD!
- Placards
- Stugov and GPSS relationship
 - Updates to articles of cooperation to increase collaboration between the two orgs
- Other student governments not interested in IDEA resolution
- Presenters coming in
- Constitution Committee

Report of the Senate Engagement Officer

- Issues brought up at College Chair Council
 - Senate Order regarding interdepartmental programs.
 - Stipends and assistantship insecurity, TAs announce just days before the start of the semester.

- Elevated to Dean Graves by Christine
- Proposed assistantship database across campus, Dean of Engineering liked the idea
 - Engineering Chair to follow up
- Need for better opportunities for grad student in career fairs, schedule meeting with career services.
 - Scheduling meeting with Career Services
- Child play area in gym for students with children wellness
 - Referred to Wellness
- Materials for website updated and sent to Garrison
- I will resign at the end of the Fall semester, and a new SEO is needed for next semester.
- Future meetings:
 - Faculty Seante – November 14
 - Board of Regents – November 16

Report of the Senate Information Officer

- GPSS Socials Advertisement/Information Form created and will be sent out to each senator if there is an event or other information pertinent to GPSS you would like shared on our official socials
 - <https://freeonlinesurveys.com/s/4TV5muxi>
 - Please submit these by Monday at noon of the week you want them advertised so I have time to create the posts
- Met with Mock Semester Workday Event Leadership Team again last week
 - They are wanting 60 graduate students to attend this event last week of January/first week of February to learn about how to use WorkDay after the transition happens
 - This will be a ~15 minute time investment with free food and giveaway opportunities
 - Keep your eyes peeled for a sign-up link for this event and share this link with your constituents
 - Vet Med department is a separate event either the week before or after
- Meeting with Student Technology Advisory Fee Committee again in November
- GPSS Awards Website page updated as President Cain mentioned previously
- Continuing to work with the Graduate College to iron out some of the common issues with the PAG system
- Met with our new Social Media Chair, Alycia
 - We are wanting to begin posting regular GPSS Senator Highlights on GPSS's Instagram story and will be sending out a signup form shortly
 - Name, program, and why you joined GPSS and/or like about being involved along with a headshot
 - Keep your eyes peeled for A Day in the Life of Exec Instagram story takeovers

Report of the Treasurer

- Fall Allocations Bill today
- Meeting this Friday to determine student org debt forgiveness (last meeting was cut short)
- Future bill to redistribute GPSS budget potentially coming
- Attending StuGov Finance Committee meetings starting tomorrow

Report of the Wellness Officer

- Health and wellness symposium
- Ideas and recommendations for the improvement of mental health resources on campus

Report of the Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility (IDEA) Officer

- IDEA Committee met last month
 - Looking for organizations working on IDEA related initiatives
 - Contact me for ideas, questions, collaborations etc
 - \$250 extra funding for IDEA-specific initiatives
 - Planning on bringing a speaker working in ISU IDEA offices
 - updates on IDEA works around campus, what IDEA means, Ongoing plans etc
 - Gives suggestions if you have any person in mind
- Iowa State University (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion)
 - Resources, news, events

<https://www.diversity.iastate.edu/>

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Report of the Conference Officer

- Conference will be on Friday, February 23rd
- Met with Committee (Daniel, Chinwendu, Wren, Lena, Kelsey, and Bo :)
- November we'll be planning the theme, keynote speaker(s), ISU/industry guests, and fundraising.
 - Contact me if you have requests, ideas, or questions = gpssconfchair@iastate.edu and/or gpssconfcommittee@iastate.edu (Thank you, Garrison!)
- GSV canvassing for signatures – Thursdays 1 – 3pm
 - LMK if you have any ideas for programs, departments, buildings to canvass in more detail. Or if you can get some people to sign the petition yourself, reverett@iastate.edu or rlenzeverett@gmail.com)
 - I will be sending the new esign pdf out to all senators in the next week. Please circulate these, specifically in five biggest departments:

Electrical and Computer Engineering
Mechanical Engineering
Computer Science
Chemistry
Civil, Construction & Environmental Eng

Report of the Graduate Student Government Senators

Report of the College Chairs Representative

Reports of Standing Committees

Reports of Special Committees