GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SENATE
Meeting Agenda

Monday, March 25th, 2024; 6:30 PM
Memorial Union Campanile Room

I. Call to order 6:38 PM
   a. Roll Call
   b. Statement of Quorum
   c. Approval of Meeting Minutes
   d. Amendments to the Agenda
      Motion to take out the Bill “S24-03 Expanding Halal Protein Options During Ramadan” from the agenda.

II. Executive Reports to the Senate (5 min each):
   a. Report of the President
      • Margaret Ellen White Awards
      o 7 nominations
      o Currently in the review process
      o Winner will be announced at the Fall Faculty and Staff Awards Ceremony
      • In the process of hiring the new Provost
      • Working with Dean Graves, IDEA Officer, and Wellness Officer on increasing resources and instruction on navigating power dynamics, how to address conflict with advisor/fellow students/etc., and how to seek out support.
      • Interested in running for President? Ask me about my position!
   b. Report of the Vice President:
      • Stugov Election Results
         o If you are interested in being a stugov senator for GPSS or Vetmed let me know
      • Robert’s Rules Reminder
      • Articles of Cooperation
      • If you are interested in being Vice President, please ask!
      • https://www.iastate.edu/report-it
         o Report It
   c. Report of the Treasurer:
      • If you want to know what my job is like, just ask me!
   d. Report of the Conference Chair
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
Graduate & Professional Student Senate

- Hosted our 12th annual Conference on Friday 2/23.
  - Poster, creative, and presentation winners took home $6400 of award money
  - Speakers - Guests | Graduate and Professional Student Senate | Iowa State University (iastate.edu)
  - Program for 2024 | Graduate and Professional Student Senate | Iowa State University (iastate.edu)
  - Email me with questions, concerns, or ideas gpssconfchair@iastate.edu or reverett@iastate.edu
- Award money and final expenses with Kean this week.
- Post-conference report coming soon (ask me about pictures...)
- Email me with questions, concerns, or ideas gpssconfchair@iastate.edu or reverett@iastate.edu
- If you’re interested in Conference Chair, feel free to reach out with anything!

- Report of the IDEA officer
  - Working on ways/resources to better student-advisor relationships
  - Organizations with DEI backgrounds/agendas/missions please reach out for collaborations, invite us (IDEA committee) to your meetings etc...
  - Please check out “Cyclone Support”

- Report of the Wellness Chair
  - Working with Veronica on planning a student-advisor survey to assess graduate student’s mental needs
  - Our first GPSS Family appreciation Event! Bring your family, Kiddos, friends, and invite your peers! Saturday, April 13th starting at 2pm, At Cybowl and Billiard and Campanile garden!

- Report of the Senate Information Officer
  - Will be meeting with Kristen Constant from ITS next week to discuss student technology needs
  - The Graduate College is working on getting the PAG system implemented into WorkDay, and I will be meeting with them periodically to discuss this process going forward
  - Feel free to talk with me after the meeting or email me anytime if you are interested
in running for the SIO position next month or have any questions about what it entails as I am not seeking re-election.

h. Report of the Senate Engagement Officer
   • Meeting with the Council of chairs
   • Trip to the Capitol did not happen
   • Graduate council meeting was canceled
   • If you are interested in this position, please reach out.

i. Report of Student Government Senators-at-Large
   None

j. Report of the College Chairs Representative
   Senators are reminded to meet with their DOGES

k. Report of Standing Committees
   None

l. Report of Special Committees
   None

IV. Unfinished Business
   None

V. New Business
   a. S24-02 Funding for the Rest Assured Project for International Students
      • A call for amendment of the Bill - to take out the statement regarding “University Village/ Schilleter village” to include all students at Iowa State University
      • A call to amend Bill to increase the amount on the Bill from $6,000 to $10,000
      • Vote for amendment – The nays had it, so the original bill was maintained
      • **Bill passed based on majority vote (Hand raise).**

   b. S24-04 Spring 2024 GPSS Regular Allocations
      • Friendly amendment to move some numbers on the bill (Vine and Wine Club: Swab $0 from the approved with $280 from the unspent column).
      • **Bill passed based on majority vote (Hand raise).**

   c. S24-05 GPSS Budget for Fiscal Year 2025
      • Motion to remove the statement “The budget for GPSS Special Allocations be removed” No second
      • **Bill passed based on majority vote (Voice vote).**

   d. S24-06 Funding for the People of Nia Celebration to be held on May 8th, 2024
      5 at 6pm in the Sun Room, Memorial Union
• Bill passed based on majority vote (Voice vote).

e. S24-07 Funding for Sloss House Resource Room
• Bill passed based on majority vote (Voice vote).

f. S24-08 Allocation of Funding for Doctoral Dissertation Study Support
• Bill passed based on majority vote (Voice vote).

g. S24-09 Amendments to the GPSS By-Laws
• Some corrections were made on the bill in the allocations section (Article VIII - 2). Language that was no longer relevant was removed and the relevant language added.
• Motion to table the bill to April, and a second
• Vote against tabling the bill – Motion to table the bill failed.  
• Bill passed based on majority vote (Hand raise).

h. S24-10 Introduction of Conference Travel Grants by Coltie on the GPSS Website
• A motion to table the Bill and a second motion
• The motion to table the Bill for next month passes with a majority vote (Hand raise)

VI. Senate Forum
• Senators should support GSV by circulating the email sent by GSV about getting signatures
• What should be done in terms of accountability when a senator is unable to bring a speaker because the VP does not respond to the senator? (Senator Azhan asks)
  ▪ Directly criticizing a member on the senate in the meeting is out of the Robert Rules
  ▪ Next, you must ensure you have a spot before you get a speaker.
  ▪ It is in the VP’s power to choose the speakers for the meeting.
• Azhan will make a 5mins presentation (he could also choose to bring a speaker) on the bill “S24-10 Introduction of Conference Travel Grants by Coltie on the GPSS Website” in our next meeting.
• Elections for GPSS happen next month.
• Wakonse awards applications are still open.

VII. Roll Call and Announcements
VIII. Adjournment
End: 09:41 pm