



IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

Graduate & Professional Student Senate

SENATE BILL S20-12 SENATE MEETING April 6, 2020

TITLE: Amending GPSS By-Laws Finance Procedures to Improve Transparency

WHEREAS: The GPSS prides itself in transparency and clarity in its procedures, and

WHEREAS: The GPSS currently allocated more than \$30,000 each year to Graduate and Professional Student Organizations, and

WHEREAS: GPSS Allocation decisions are currently made in committee with no disclosure to the GPSS general body, be it therefore

ENACTED: That the GPSS By-Laws, Article VII, be amended by adding the section:

2.8 Regular Allocation Decisions

2.8.1 The Finance Committee shall provide a report listing all requested allocation funds and the Committee’s decision on all requests to the GPSS at least seven (7) calendar days before any allocation bill comes to the GPSS for a vote.

2.8.1.1 This report shall include:

2.8.1.1.1 Both funded and non-funded monetary requests, and

2.8.1.1.2 Any applicable justifications for rejected requested allocations, and

2.8.1.1.3 Any supporting information provided by the Organization to the Finance Committee, as defined in §2.2.3 of this Article.

2.8.1.2 Finance Committee Reports are not debatable; however, senators may request clarification on information within the report.

2.8.2 All GPSS allocations must be approved by the GPSS in the form of a Senate Bill passed by a simple majority of senators present. GPSS allocations may be debated by line item.

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