

# August 31, Senate Meeting

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V.P Rachel Sorensen

We have officially hit quorum. Congratulations. Thank you, guys, for showing up. The first aspect of the meeting is to prove the meeting notes from April 2021. We have a motion to approve the minutes. We need a second. We have a second. All in favor. We have had our statement amended for unanimous consent. Do we have a second? All right, all in favor say aye, or just don't respond. No objections. We're good.

All right, now moving to amendments to the agenda, everyone had a chance to look at the agenda.

We need to approve the meeting agenda. So moved. Do we have a second? We have a second. All right.

We have invited Dr. Graves to come talk for a little bit, and we're going to give him this fancy mic.

Dean Graves:

Well, good evening everyone, I'm Bill graves I'm Dean of the Graduate College here at Iowa State, and I'm a professor in the Department of Horticulture in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. Just to give you a little bit of information about my background. I've been on the faculty for 29 years here at Iowa State, and I've been working in the Graduate College for 11 years. Seven years as Associate Dean, and the last four years as dean and I proudly say that my job is all about assisting graduate students and trying to make life better for graduate students make Iowa State University a better destination for graduate students and help graduate students get the most out of their time here, while they're working on a master's or a doctorate. So, I have a special place in my heart actually for GPSs senators, and other graduate student leaders, because I know how important you can be I've seen firsthand how, there have been situations over my years in the Graduate College, where graduate students who feel vulnerable or afraid or in a very difficult uncomfortable situation, reach out to somebody for help and sometimes it's their GPSs Senator it's somebody they view as a leader in their department or in their graduate major. And so, I just want to thank all of you who are serving as a senator, I know this is a voluntary service that you're providing. And it's a wonderful service to your fellow graduate students who are pursuing degrees within your programs. And I'm really grateful for that gift of your time and your energy and your contributions. And I hope you'll take it really seriously. And make sure that your students in your program know that you're there for them, and if they have concerns that they would like to have addressed by the Senate, or by the Graduate College, please let them know to reach out to you, because you can help convey that to the leadership of the GPSs, and to the Graduate College. And I'm serious when I say that we are really here in the Graduate College to make things better for graduate students, and to partner with you, because I think my personal agenda to make Iowa State as good as it can be for

graduate students is common with your interests, and I think we can work together to try to resolve any problems that arise, and even if we don't have problems we can always improve. So even if you don't identify a specific problem to address. There has to be a way, maybe you can think of during the coming year where something that's already working fairly well could work even better. So, my doors always open, the Graduate College is in 1137 Pearson Hall 1137 Pearson Hall near Beardshear Hall it's just to the west of Beardshear hall right on Central Campus, and the office is filled with staff and with my associate dean Carolyn Cutrona, who's a professor in psychology. We're all there, exclusively for graduate students and postdocs, so don't hesitate to stop in and you can also participate in the next few weeks and onboarding activities that we're holding for particularly for new graduate students but not exclusively for new graduate students. So, you or others, even if you've been around for a while are welcome to attend. We have a series of welcome sessions coming up in the next week or two at different times and locations, we tried to find different venues and times that might be convenient for different people. So, the first one is actually tomorrow in the Union from five to 6pm. There is a way to sign up at the Graduate College website online we would like to register you to register so that we know how many to expect because we're going to have some refreshments there, but we decided today actually about this one for tomorrow at least that we're going to just spend five or 10 or 15 minutes indoors in the room in the union and have some snacks, and then we're going to fill our little plates or napkins with any other snacks we want to take and go outside to central campus because although it's supposed to rain in the first half of the day tomorrow. I see my app says it's supposed to be 73 degrees at 5pm, and partly sunny should be beautiful to go outside. So rather than take any unnecessary risks in a really small room with several people there we're going to go outside in the fresh air and public just have a conversation I'd like to welcome the new students and share some information about graduate school here at Iowa State, and the schedule for the rest of these welcome sessions is on the Graduate College website, and it has been included in the newsletter that is sent from the Graduate College to all graduate students. It's already been sent to every new graduate student we know of specifically to their new Iowa State email address. So that's the welcome session part of our onboarding for new graduate students this fall, and then throughout the month of September, we have what I call deep dive discussions scheduled. These are one-hour sessions devoted to one specific topic that may be of interest to you, or may not be, and there's no requirement to attend any of them but we're trying to spread the word about these, so that anyone any graduate student who's interested in talking about a specific issue for an hour and diving deeply into that topic, and comment. Join us these are going to be virtual sessions. So just to tell you what the topics are one of them is understanding your benefits. So benefits that graduate students, particularly graduate assistants, receive at Iowa State. Another one is called your teaching toolbox so if you're particularly interested in teaching or if you serve as a TA, that might be particularly interested particularly interesting to you. The third one is health and wellness. The fourth one is parks library resources for graduate students. The fifth one is preparing for professional success. The sixth one is you and your major professor, developing the best working relationship possible with probably the person who's your closest mentor and advisor. Then, there's one called all about assistantships, the different types of assistantship appointments, we have at Iowa State, how they work, how you sign up for one or how you proceed to be appointed to one and WorkDay. And what the administrative sort of behind-the-scenes

activities about assistantships and the tuition scholarships that come with them are how all of that works. And then the last one that we have identified so far is called Understanding your tuition and your bill. But we know that there are frequently questions about your bills, and there are some issues with bills that we're working on resolving. And so, I'm particularly looking forward to that. So, I'd like to invite all of grad students new and continuing to attend any of those that you're interested in and there's information again on the Graduate College website on how some. And lastly, I'll just pitch. The Three Minute Thesis activity that's coming up later this fall in November. If you're not familiar with the three-minute thesis, it's a challenge for graduate students to present their thesis topic whether or not you have results, your thesis topic, and make it interesting and compelling to a general audience so people who aren't necessarily experts in your discipline, and use only one PowerPoint slides, All within three minutes. And so, it's a competition of sorts to see who can present their research in the most interesting compelling way, doesn't take a whole lot of time necessarily to prepare for, and it can be a lot of fun. Ellie field could attest to that in the back of the room here in the Vet Med Room where we are. She's a former winner of the competition. And so, we'd like to have lots of representation from all across campus and all kinds of majors, sometimes there's a perception that the 3MT as it's called is a stem type of competition, but it's not at all. That way we would love to have greater representation from the arts and humanities and social sciences as well as from STEM disciplines which are seemed to be always well represented. So, you'll be receiving more information about that. And I hope many of you will choose to participate and you'll encourage as many students in your program to participate as possible. There's a lot going on in the grad college; I've just touched the tip of the iceberg. But stop in and visit us sometimes come in and see me sometime and I'd love to talk more about what we're doing to support graduate students and opportunities that we have, both within the Graduate College and outside of the graduate college here at Iowa State for graduate students. So, welcome to a new year of GPSs, I look forward to working with all of you. And again, thank you for your service.

V.P. Rachel Sorensen

I guess if there are any questions we can ask them, we have a microphone, you have questions online, feel free to put them in the chat. And we can ask them for a couple minutes. Or you can raise your hand if you want to talk. Some people like to talk online. I'm not one of them. So, you can put them in the chat, raise your hand online. You can, if you're in person, you can write a note if you don't want to speak. I feel like we should give the same courtesy. So are there any questions? You did not hear that you're more than welcome to email him which is his last name, at Iowa state.edu I have done that several times and he's gotten back to me pretty quickly.

Alright, at this point we will be moving into GPSs introductions and procedures. So, to kick it off, I'm going to hand it to Chelsea, so she can introduce herself.

Pres. Chelsea lennarella-Servantez

Do you all hear me okay. Okay, I'll put this guy on, so I kind of wanted to set the stage for how things are going to look this semester we understand that it's a little different with the hybrid format, but my,

my job as President and our job as executives are really to help kind of facilitate the Senate for you guys as senators, this is your Senate and so what we're going to do I'll kind of set the stage in terms of kind of logistical challenges, operations, things of that nature, So I'm sure that'll be super interesting for everybody. If you do engage either in person or on the virtual format, I'll just always ask you guys to introduce yourself, especially if they can't see you directly on the screen, and then just say what department you're representing. So, an example, if I was a senator, I say, Hey, my name is Chelsea. I'm representing the College of Veterinary Medicine, etc. We're also going to introduce ourselves tonight and what I really want to emphasize to you guys is that we are your executive council but we're also human beings as well, and how I got into GPSs was through kind of making these individual connections with people and learning what motivates them, what challenges them etc. I not only want to encourage you guys to do that with us but I want you to do that with your constituents too. I understand it's difficult during COVID, but a little bit goes a long way. And so anyway, you can do that. My favorite thing to do is coffee because as a graduate student, I'm addicted. And so, anything you can do the same thing you're comfortable with and find ways to make those connections with people I really want you to do so, when we introduce ourselves, we'll, we'll add some things about that nature as well. The other thing I want to make sure that I emphasize, is because we're here to help facilitate things with you. My nature, especially when I was a senator, was I was frightfully shy and I was, I was determined to sit in the back of the Senate and not engaged unless it is in a very clear written format. And that did not work because the vice president at the time called me out, and I really appreciate him for doing that because it kind of motivated me into that, but because I recognize that nature for some and it's inherent within myself, I want to create more opportunities for you guys have access to us, other senators, etc. So, we're going to do some things to help you get to know each other senators and subsequent meetings, but what I can promise you as a president is that I will always be at meetings, a half hour early, we'll open up the WebEx 15 minutes early. So whether you're in person or in the hybrid format, you have a chance to before Senate to meet with us, that way if you're uncertain about something, or questions about what this looks like we're here, and then we will, I will stay, until everybody clears this room or gets off WebEx, but the rest of the exact team at minimum will also be here 15 minutes after Senate. And so, if public speaking isn't your thing. No problem. Come find us, and I know Robert's Rules can be kind of cumbersome. And we do have to follow them to some extent in terms of our Constitution, but we're all human beings we make mistakes, I'll make mistakes, infinitely throughout the course of the year if that gives you any comfort. But I don't want you to be intimidated to not get involved, you know, say you say motions and of movement. We're here to help you. No problem. We've also had senators say. I'm not sure how to go about this and then we can give them the formal things to say. Don't worry about it happens all the time, you can shoot as a private chat on the WebEx as well. but we're here for that as well. And then, just to kind of wrap up the last of the logistical things is a reason to do this in a hybrid format this year. We did all online last year because of COVID. We wanted to make maintain an opportunity for senators to come in and engage, if they're in the building, but we're not public health officials we want to make sure that every buddy does what's safe for them. You guys are the best gauge of what's good for you and for your families and so we're not here to, to try and micromanage that so we want to give you plenty of options either attend in person, and virtually, you don't need to let us know

which one you're doing, we have attendance options for you in either format, but we just want to make it as flexible as possible. My goal is not to keep you in a room for three hours. I would rather have Senate meetings to be productive unnecessarily long. And so, I again I just I want to thank you guys for your ability to serve, and we'll get you introduced think of this as kind of a warming welcoming say senate meeting, and hopefully you're going to have a very productive year going forward. So, I'll start at least initially, if there's any good questions related to any of that, or throw Rachel back in the hot seat she's been doing great. Sorry, you're going to be back up soon. Anybody online or in person. Do I grab the mic for me then if you don't mind just introducing your name and where you're from, as well?

Senator Lindberg

Hello and sunny Lindbergh from sociology, I was just going to ask if this is going to be the permanent location for future meetings?

Pres

We'll kind of rotate between meetings to try and make it accessible to everybody on campus and kind of mix it up between buildings. Any other questions. Okay, I will turn it back over to Rachel she's a as the Vice President, she's in charge of these meetings so you'll see me off screen just trying to keep out of trouble.

V.P.

Can y'all hear me online? So, one of the major things that we have been wanting to focus on is making community of the Graduate Professional Student Senate more every cohesive feeling for those of you who are physically present. Vetmed has often been an island to its own, and that's not appropriate, as a grad College, we should be welcoming to VetMed, so throughout the year we'll be meeting, either at VetMed or we'll be meeting in Memorial Union. We will have one more meeting at VetMed which will be scheduled in April. But for the majority of the meetings, we will be on main campus, and of course for the, for all the meetings, we will also be online. We are also looking into finding more ways to make meetings accessible. I don't know what you can see, you can't see my hands. But I grew up with Deaf and Hard of Hearing people. So I sign. I know the struggle it is to hear people, I know what the struggle is to after read lips, so I want to provide as much accessibility as possible. So in the future meetings, you're going to see some probably some new tips and tricks that we're going to add into try to make it easier for people for whom like me, English is not their first language, so we might struggle a bit to go, What is that word okay I know that word in ASL but I can't think of that word in English, I need a second. Okay, that's what that word is. So that's what's going on with meetings. They are mostly going to be in Memorial Union, you'll get the notification will give you the room number, but as always, you're welcome to attend online, we love seeing you guys in person. It makes my job a lot less strange to have to talk into a computer versus to get to see everyone else. And with that, I think we can go into introductions. So I'm going to pick on Carrie Ann because she's online and I will let Carrie Ann introduce herself first.

**SEO**

Okay, my name is Carrie-Ann Johnson, if you were here last year, you already have seen my face more than you want to, but this year I am the Senate Engagement Officer, which means I'm in charge of University Relations and as a representative of the graduate students to state and local officials as well as the University. I'm also in charge of making sure that university council positions are full, so if there's something that you're really into, shoot me an email and say you want to participate and we'll see if we can get a good fit for you to be on a committee there. My very first semester here they asked for somebody to be on the performance arts council, and I just joined it on a whim because I was like yeah I guess I can do that, and that's how we ended up where we are today, so it was a really lovely experience. I've gotten free tickets once I think it was pretty cool so there's all sorts of really just great parts of being on councils at the university. I am a PhD candidate in Rhetoric and Professional Communication. So, you can find me in Ross, or in Greenley at any given moment. Anything else I should say back about myself? Chelsea will go next.

Pres

Thanks Carrie Ann. I appreciate it. I said the most of what I wanted to say to you all. So with that I'll invite up Zack, you ready, buddy?

Treasurer

Oh, my name is Zakayo Kazibwe, and you can call me Zak. I'm the treasurer for GPSS. I'm a PhD candidate in genetics and genomics, maybe 5th year for my graduate training. And, as the treasurer, I'm also responsible for a few things in the GPSS. So the fall allocations application, like, much more information will come will be coming up soon. But the information that you need to apply for the allocations are up there but Senate as you can inform your constituents about that. And also, this is very urgent. I will need Senators to join the Financial Committee, three to four or five people to join the finance committee so that we can be able to work on applications and also other business with regard to the finances of the GPSs. With that, I think that's all.

Wellness Officer

Okay, does the internet see me. My name is Abby and I'm a PhD student in Food Science and Human Nutrition, and I'm going to be the wellness chair going forward this year. So, I'm just really passionate about all the dimensions of wellness, if you want to learn more about them, you can check out Cyclone Health, all of that information that I'm going to talk about probably within a year is going to be on that website so please look at that refer back to that all the time. And so the first thing I'm going to ask you is to join the wellness committee we do a lot of stuff, planning events, planning activities to let foreign students know what their resources are, and just make sure everyone is supported and feeling, you know, strong and stable going through the graduate degree that's not always as easy to do as it is to say, and one of the main objectives I have for this committee at least for the beginning of the year is to kind of crowdsource a Graduate Student Orientation Guide from GPSs like filled with what are what are the things you wish you knew when you first got to Iowa State, because I know especially the past two years, the new students coming in we're just wrapped into an abyss, and so I really want us as the Senate to be there for new students and as Dean Graves said new and returning students, so these events that he

mentioned, as well as anything else that you can think of. So join the committee and we can work on that together, or send me an email if you have just a couple of things that you want to let me know about, um, and within that I just want to make a quick aside that I want to add a lot of focus to diversity, equity, inclusion and accessibility initiatives and also concerns of international students. So, if you're passionate about any of those things that will all be a part of the Wellness Committee. And finally, save the date for February 4, 2022, We'll have our first ever health and wellness symposium at the university and so we're working with student health at wellness, health and wellness, again, cyclonehealth@state.edu, to put together a really cool event and I'm also involved in the planning of the keynotes and other events for that so if you have something you want to get out of that. You can also contact me with that, and my email is available. That will be a Friday, I believe it's in the afternoon.. And that I believe is all I have. Thank you for listening. Join the Wellness Committee.

#### Senate Information Officer

All right. Hi my name is Kate. My pronouns are she, her, I'm a fourth-year veterinary student. I'm in charge of Canvas, the website, and the list serve so if there's any issues with you having access to any of that or things are wrong, let me know. I also worked with Ellie who's our new social media chair and I will not make her come up, but if there's anything that you want on social media, or if you have ideas for how to better utilize Canvas, or if you have a real passion for TikTok, let me know and we can definitely get that started. We do have several platforms that we utilize and we're happy to share events that are not only college specific but also to the general Graduate Professional Student Body. One thing that I will ask as a senator is if you don't see your pronouns listed next to your name and email on the website, it's probably because you're new. If you are comfortable sharing your pronouns, you can email me, or just drop a note you don't have to put them in the chat or you can, I have been monitoring that as well. That's the only reason why there are gaps. We are trying to make it more inclusive, with WebEx I know we didn't implement it this time, but there's actually a closed captioning option as well. And if someone's really passionate wants to be in charge of closed captioning we can do that. So, any information and technology access I'm going to be your go to, and yeah, that is about it. And now I'm leaving.

#### V.P.

My name is Rachel Sorensen, I like I said I grew up around Deaf people so I sign, it's really hard for me to not interpret and stand in front of people so fun fact, you if you're a hearing person, you're probably going to see me actually start interpreting what people are saying without meaning to, that's why we will definitely be doing closed captioning in the future. I am in charge of the rules company I sit on the Rules Committee, the rules committee is going to be a lot of fun this year so please join the Rules Committee. I'm part of the Toxicology Program, which is an interdepartmental program which means we're nowhere in everywhere on campus. We are very awesome we have some of the best research in my opinion on campus, specifically I work with micro and nanoplastics so I can tell you basically all the plastic that's in your food and how it what it's going to do to you. For a lot of fun and parties. I think that's a good enough introduction for myself.

Um. Moving on, I think we have, we've kind of hit the reports from everyone we kind of went a little bit out of order with, which is okay, which is the first meeting we're just stretching our brains and getting more comfortable with everything. At this point, Bailey Golf. Last year she was in charge of the Senator at large position and I have asked her if she would mind giving a brief talk about what that entails, and then we will move into internal matter matters. So she's online, I think.

Goff

I'm sorry, if you can't see me, I'm having connectivity issues of my life. I have a different router in four years and that's coming to bite me. So I'm getting that change sometime soon, probably notices, like. But anyway, my name is Bailey. And I'm currently a third year in veterinary school last year I served as the GPSS-at-large. The Iowa State student government Senate. And what that means was I was a representative of the GPSS Student Senate as a voting member on the whole of Iowa State University's which entailed that on Wednesday I would go to the weekly meetings. So those are usually six of those. They do same things that GPSs does just a little more often. We would write bills and debate bills. We have rules committees. It includes undergraduate students, as well. I have now transitioned and I no longer represent GPSs. I really enjoyed my time. I like serving a larger body and speaking for graduate and professional students voices to undergraduates. It was much different than say, being here with a lot of people that were all from different disciplines, very commonality and that were graduate students, or we have some forever undergraduate program, students they're much different, and they're much more of a reserve unit, and feels like a really integrated well, and I was able to still talk about and discuss, and the topics were pertinent to Iowa State University. I was able to speak on and touch on and related to me. I still saw myself as an GPSS student is normally hidden that was really beneficial. And I really hope you guys will consider doing it. If you have any questions, you can of course ask me, and this year, as a CVM senator. So that's great. Um, so that is just something that we want you to keep in mind.

V.P.

We are going to talk about seeding Senator senators later on to Student Government, and things like that but we're going to actually hold that off until the next meeting. So, at this point we're going to move into internal matters. Hopefully you all had a chance to look at Senate bill, F21-01, called standing rules. These are the standing rules hopefully by now you have read them. And we will update it to say updated August 2021 If we ever update these but since they have not been updated this year, we just have to vote on whether or not to approve these as our standing rules. So at this point there, we will open it up for any discussions or questions. We have a question in the room

Senator

I'm Monica Panduit, I'm a PhD candidate in plant pathology. I just had a question about what the new hybrid model if we need to adjust the standing rules to talk about attendance, So like number 4 it says like senators Miss roll call, it's like three and four talk about attendance, I didn't know if we need to change that to say something about like a canvas quiz instead of taking a roll, or how, how close to rules need to be it's like what we actually do. Okay, do you want to answer that



SIO

is my professional opinion that we table as well because I've already caught several errors in it now that I'm reading it more in detail, there's a couple of things that I think need to be adjusted. I cannot make that motion, but I do think that the executive council needs to discuss this particular payroll because of that, as well as other things like it's not called that anymore. There are a couple other ones, the CIO, it's not called that anymore. So, I would strongly recommend that Senators not vote on this bill tonight, because there are several things that I think would be really important to edit, and so I'd strongly recommend that someone motion to table this bill until next meeting so that we can vote on it next time. Otherwise, we have to edit it and I'm not sure if Rachel we have to vote on this tonight. Otherwise, we have to make every single amendment tonight.

SEO

My question was, if any of the edits were substantial and I think I would prefer to have a recommendation as well before voting on it and looking you again so even getting a list of said changes beforehand, and being able to judge whether or not it's semantics or something more substantial I would prefer to wait as well.

V.P.

No, you're totally good. So, the remark was that if we are going to talk about it tonight we should take notes or make feedback and even if we're going to postpone it we should still take notes about what should be changed. I actually absolutely agree with you, so I think it's in our best interest to postpone it, if at all possible, and I'd have to go back and find the exact rules about this particular document.

Senator

And with that, I move to postpone the approval of the standing rules until our next meeting and September, 24.

Senator

I second the motion.

V.P.

So motion carries. has been approved, all in, read either have to vote or there can be amendments for unanimous can assent to table. You have to motion to say that we're going to postpone approving the standing rules until the September 21 meeting by unanimous consent. Is there a second. There is a second. All in favor. Aye. If you're on Canvas, you can put a thumbs up or say no, it or don't say anything. All in favor. Any opposed. So, the motion carries. That being said, let me get back to... Is there any new business?

What do you do the agenda we have the second Senate Bill, and again I want to kind of preface that. I cannot take a formal position on this, but given this as a first meeting, generally in terms of when senators are elected, they come on board a little later in the semester to pull this up, give you guys a chance to look at it if you didn't have a chance to read it before, again, kind of follow the same operations you can either comment on if you're okay with it and it's pertaining to the September meeting again, same, same as last bill but we do want to introduce that for you guys as it's on our agenda.

So, this is the Senate order known as F21-02, and this would be nominating graduate students in student government, government Senate. We were just enlarging it for the people in the room. So this is a chance to just kind of look at the bill and read at it, read through it, and then we can discuss it. As we did with the previous one. Bailey gave you kind of an intro of her responsibilities last year. she's kind of in a sister position within student government this year so she will kind of fill that role within Student Government to sit in our Senate and then we also have representation from our Senate and so it enables kind of cross talks between the two different governing bodies. Carrie Ann has posted online that if you want to serve as a seated senator to let us know and we can fill this in before the next notices go out and it was honestly one professor that I see, and she highly recommends doing the student government and you also get a \$200 stipend.

Pres.

I think it's 400 Now for those of you on line.

V.P.

I'll double check to verify and I can email that sent it just to be clear, but off the top of my head. I want to say it's \$400 now, Chelsea is going to email us back and verify this. Any comments?

Senator Carter

I'm John Carter, senator from the English Department. When was it that the student government Senate when were those meetings?

SEO

It starts at seven?

Senator Carter:

Awesome, thanks. Yeah, kind of point of clarification, those meetings are at the Memorial Union, and they're in person this semester.

Yes.

V.P.

If you are interested in this we can we can kind of vote to table this bill for now. But that would have to come from the Senate.

**SEO**

Um, if we do have somebody who is interested in the position tonight could we pass them in so that they can get going on it, and then vote because we get two seats right so, and then vote on the other one, next month, could we fill in in here.

V.P.

Absolutely. We actually got up to three seats here to open seats.

Senator Carter

I'm sorry, John from English again. I would love to serve in this position, or to serve in one of these one of these seats, I've been a grad student in a couple of institutions now, and working with undergrads is probably my favorite part of teaching so to be sort of like a go between, between us and the rest of the student body would be really great.

Senator

Okay, I move that John from the English Department sorry I don't know your last name. John Carter, serves as the chair of student government Senate seat, sorry, amend the bill to include John Carter's name,

V.P.

Is there a second? Second. We got seconds in the building and online. Right, are we opening up a poll for this or wanting to do unanimous consent. This one needs a poll patience while we're getting that amended for it. And John, thanks for your volunteering for this position I really appreciate it but I yeah absolutely. A pick on a couple people in the room, Bailey in theory and since you guys have this position or analogous one in the past. I just want to throw those names out there for you to John. If you have any questions and want to touch base with them, they'd be kind of your points of experts for that as well. Awesome. Thank you, Kate did it as well.

**SEO**

I'm going to take this question from Brittany, if that's okay. Um, Senator Skaggs, if you need to miss you just have to let them know beforehand that you're going to miss a meeting. This position also comes with like an hour of service in the StuGov room at the MU, so it's not terrible. You just don't want to miss too many, and you want to let them know beforehand.

Senator Skaggs

I think I'm interested in the other Senate seat as well.

Pres.

Yes, yes, we'll throw you in. If I spell your name wrong, please call me out on that. My last name is spelled wrong all the time. So, I don't want to do that to you. See this. Okay. Perfect. I'll turn it back over Rachel. Great. At this point, I'm going to give you a minute or two to read over it, make sure that I did put the right names in there, maybe I messed up at some point, we're all human, we all mess up. Yes? Okay, Kate is going to make the canvas quiz. We kind of threw her in last minute, I apologize on behalf of everyone. Again, I want to say, I want to thank Senators Carter and Skaggs for offering serving these positions. I know it is a time requirement but it's really important to maintain that crosstalk between the Senate. So, thank you again.

V.P.

All right, to fill time but also I believe we need to read this out loud at least. Order F21-02 Senate meeting. Today is August 30, 2021, title nominating GPSS students in the Student Government Senate, whereas there are three open seats for the Graduate College on the student government Senate, and whereas student government policy and articles of cooperation State Student Government graduate student seats that may open after General action can be filled by students nominated by the appropriate counsel, such as the graduate professional students in it for the graduate college. And whereas John Carter and Brittany Skaggs, meets the requirements to hold the position and have expressed interest in building open seat, be it therefore, ordered that the graduate professional students in it nominate John Carter and Brittany Skaggs to be in student government senator for the graduate college and be a further order that John Carter and Ricky Skaggs immediately assumes all rights, responsibilities and the Graduate Student Government Senator as delineated in government law.

As our quiz, open, and our quiz is now open. It is on canvas.

SIO

If anybody has any technical issues to the Canvas quizzes, feel free to email because I will monitor that closely but he can help you work through those logistical things we're kind of sharing a laptop right now to make this virtual format work for you but anything in terms of attendance Canvas quizzes. If you guys have issues send us a message in the WebEx chat, send us an email, no problem. I don't want you to stress if, if something doesn't work out on that and we can get your vote counted, everyone, for those of you who are online, we're having a little bit of technical difficulties. Computers aren't ready for school to start either. Looks like it should be available now. On Canvas, there should be an option to see the quiz, it's at the very bottom, usually they don't show up on the bottom, usually they can show up pretty easily on the right hand side of your dashboard but they're on the bottom if you go to the quiz page in our module called GPSs, you should be able to see it's called nominating F 21 dash zero to nominating graduate students to the student government Senate. Everyone should be able to access online, not send us a message.

Two more minutes before we will call the results. Alright, it looks like we have hit the majority of the votes and the bill passes at 18 to zero to zero. We got a thumbs up from Carrie you. Awesome. Now I

believe we can open it up for any new business unless I'm told otherwise. Any new business. Chelsea, do you want to explain what new business is.

Pres.

Can you guys hear me okay. So, this is your time, if you have anything that you want to basically set as kind of a legislative priority or introduce any new bills that you've been working on this is kind of that section of there. Also if there was a senator, I know we have a couple that have reached out to me independently, that are going to work out things you need me to help put you in touch with maybe senators that are interested in those things to be your data sharing, if not I'm happy to do that for you as well, but you're welcome to share that in these, these, the section as well.

V.P.

There is no new business. But we'd move into Senate forum which is a time where you can talk and share any ideas for legislation and such and so forth. Unless Carrie Ann corrects me. She says I'm good. So we are in Senate Forum at this point if you have any ideas you'd like to bring to the table you can bring to the table.

Senator

There are open positions for Senators in your college. Is there a process for getting people involved can we nominate folks that talk to us, we're interested or what's the process for filling empty spot?

SIO

Yeah, so if you have Senators that want to get involved, depending on the number of people in your college goes or number of seats. They can either fill out the senator nomination form which is new this year and then they'll input their dosage or the graduate contact and then I go are this. And then I add you officially, it just kind of nice because there's so many people who are nominated by their departments and then the departments never fill out the form. Now the senators can kind of like get the ball rolling and I can go into later DOGEs, So you can recruit however you want, but either they or the graduate contact or the graduate, the college themselves like has someone who wants to use the form as like a faculty members is oh the student I know wants to be part of it either is fine. So, you can recruit however you want. There are no rules that I know of, don't do anything illegal, but yes, if there's someone who wants to get out all they have to install the form that I've been monitoring it to add new people.

V.P.

Are there any announcements.

Senator Lindbergh

Hi I'm Tommy Lindbergh, in case nobody has heard of this, we have a grad student organization called the queer Grad Student Association. If you're a member of the LGBTQIA community, feel free to join,

we're working on building a sense of community and it's mostly social stuff. And, tomorrow evening from six to eight in Memorial Union is the LGBTQIA welcome annual event. So, if you're a member of the community or an ally, please feel free to swing by, it's, it's in the great room. You can find where it is I'm sure if you're in Memorial Union.

V.P.

If there are no more announcements or anything. Someone can we wouldn't have to have a movement to adjourn the meeting someone would have to make a movement to adjourn the meeting,

Senator

I move to adjourn.

V.P.

Thank you guys for coming, we'll stick around a little bit online and in the room if you have any questions.