### PURDUE GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

## BILL No. SP24-B003

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# To Amend the Constitution Concerning the Establishment of Senate Meeting Dates

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**WHEREAS,** The PGSG Constitution states that the Senate Chair shall "Preside over all meetings of the PGSS" (II.5.A.i) and "Attend all meetings of the PGSS and the Executive Board" (III.6.A), serving a crucial role in organizing PGSS meetings; and

WHEREAS, The PGSG Constitution states that the President shall "Attend all meetings of the PGSS and the Executive Board" (III.5.C) and "Establish the calendar of meetings for PGSS, executive board, and team meetings with assistance from the PGSC Secretary and in accordance with the bylaws governing their acceptable dates" (III.5.M); and

**WHEREAS,** The PGSG Constitution does not grant the Senate Chair commensurate input to help determine meeting dates for PGSS beyond their generic role as an officer of the Executive Board (II.11.A), or "in the event of extremely time sensitive business, [...] at the discretion of the President and the Senate Chair" (II.11.B); and

**NOTING,** If the President and PGSC Secretary were to establish PGSS meeting calendar date(s) which happened to conflict with the Senate Chair's schedule, the Senate Chair may be rendered unable to uphold their responsibilities to preside over all PGSS meetings as required by the Constitution; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED,** That PGSG amends Article III Section 5.M of the PGSG Constitution to add the following;

SECTION 5. DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE PRESIDENT [...]

M. Establish the calendar of meetings for PGSS with assistance from the Senate Chair and PGSC Secretary, and for Executive Board

and team meetings with assistance from the PGSG Secretary, in accordance with the Bylaws governing their acceptable dates.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That PGSG amends Article III Section 6 of the PGSG Constitution to add to it one new section C and renumber all relevant sections that follow:

SECTION 6. DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE SENATE CHAIR [...]

C. Assist the President in establishing the calendar of meetings for PGSS.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That PGSG amends II.11.A of the PGSG Constitution to add the following (with edits in bold for clarity):

> SECTION 11. MEETINGS In accordance with this Constitution, the Senate shall meet by the following stipulations:

> > A. The PGSS shall convene for at least one (1) meeting during each month of the fall and spring semesters, except where University holidays would require otherwise. Exact meeting dates for each semester shall be determined by the Executive Board, with the approval of the President and Senate Chair, prior to the first meeting of the PGSS of that semester. The schedule of meetings shall take into account all holidays, secular and religious, and be distributed to all members of the PGSS.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ENACTED** 21<sup>st</sup> day of February 2024.

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## **Certification**

I, Secret Permenter, Senate Clerk of the Purdue Graduate Student Senate, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was regularly passed and adopted by the Purdue Graduate Student Senate of Purdue University, at a regular meeting thereof held on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of February 2024 by the following vote:

AYES (33): Aeronautics and Astronautics (AAE) - Josue N. Rivera

Agricultural Economics - Diamilatou Kane

Animal Sciences - Opeadura Timileyin Osunbami

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Aviation and Transportation Technology (ATT) - Luigi Raphael Dy

Biochemistry - Victor Gutierrez-Schultz

Biological Sciences - Morgan Chaney

Biomedical Engineering - Mikayla Roach

Chemical Engineering - Isaac S. Wheeler

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Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) - Jacob Mishne

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Food Science - Elma Kontor-Manu

Forestry and Natural Resources (FNR) - Desmond Sosu Mensah

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Mathematics - Patrick Henry Debonis

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Political Science - Benjamin E Torres

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Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences (SLHS) - Margaret Ziko

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ABSENT (19): Agronomy - Lynda Peter

Communication - Husen-Chi Chiu

Comparative Pathobiology - Omnia Ibrahium

Computational Interdisciplinary Graduate Program (CIGP) -

Meenakshi Narayanaswami

Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences (EAPS) - Michael Ovelakin

Ecological Sciences and Engineering (ESE) - Jamie Klamerus

Engineering Education - Kevin Jay Kaufman-Ortiz

Engineering Technology - Praga Giri

English - Jeeyoung Choi

Entomology - Leslie Aviles

Environmental and Ecological Engineering (EEE) - Venkat Roy

Global Supply Chain Management (GSM) - Rohan Saini

Hospitality and Tourism Management (HTM) - Chang Ma

Industrial Engineering - Mohammad Ahmadi Gharehtoragh

Management (MGMT) - Jinfeng "Phoenix" Chen

Philosophy and Literature - Ramona Bergman

Purdue University Interdisciplinary Life Sciences (PULSe) - Lauren

Wilbanks

Statistics - Kyle Conrad

Veterinary Clinical Sciences (VCS) - Oluwabunmi Titilope Oladele

**ABSTAINED (9):** Agricultural and Biological Engineering (ABE) - Mike Serunjogi (Acting)

Agricultural Sciences Education and Communication (AgSEC) -

Mathew Smith

Basic Medical Sciences - Naseem Alfadhl

Botany and Plant Pathology (BPP) - Pascal Okoye

Educational Studies - Alexandria Holmes

Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE) - Dharun Anandayuvaraj

(Acting)

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Languages and Cultures - Abstain

Philosophy - James Emery

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April

Secret Permenter Senate Clerk, PGSS

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