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Purdue Graduate Student Senate (PGSS)

4th Senate Meeting

Thursday, October 10th, 2024; 6:00 PM - *End Time: 8:00 PM*

Virtual: https://purdue-edu.zoom.us/j/99272247455

AGENDA

Guest Speaker: Beth McCuskey, Vice Provost for Student Life

- Discussed well-being ("Steps to Leaps"), leadership development, engagement with the arts, and future of housing.

I. Call to Order

- a. Parliamentarian appointed as clerk for the meeting
- b. Meeting called to order at 6:38 PM

II. Roll Call*

- a. 45 out of 54 Senators present, quorum is met
- b. Announcement of Newly Elected Senators and Alternates
 - List of Newly Elected Senators and Alternates will be appended to these minutes (Appendix A).
- c. Senator Roll Call will be appended to these minutes (Appendix B).
- d. Executive Officers:
 - Present:
 - a) Chief of Staff
 - b) Treasurer
 - c) Senate Chair
 - d) Diversity Team Chair
 - e) Parliamentarian
 - f) Community Team Chair
 - g) Public Relations Officer
 - h) Legislative Affairs Officer
 - i) GRAC Chair
 - Absent:
 - a) President
 - b) Career Team Chair
 - c) Life Team Chair

III. Approval of Minutes (General Consent)

- a. Reading waived by general consent
- b. Motion to approve by Physics
 - Second by TLI
 - General consent

IV. Approval of the Agenda

- a. Motion to waive reading by EAPS
 - Second by HTM
 - General consent
- b. Motion to approve by History
 - Second by Philosophy
 - General consent

V. Special Order to Nominate and Elect a Senate Clerk

- a. No nominations received
- b. Chair: Parli is acting clerk for this meeting
- VI. Old Business
- VII. New Business
 - a. Introduction of Emergency Legislation
 - None received.
 - b. Consideration of Emergency Legislation
 - N/A

- c. Consideration of New Legislation
 - FA24-R003 "Move-in Package for Incoming Graduate Staff"
 - a) Motion to waive reading by History
 - (1) Second by Computer Science
 - (2) General consent
 - b) Sponsor report
 - (1) EAPS: Financial challenge to wait for first paycheck
 - (2) EAPS: Ask Purdue to provide move-in package
 - (3) EAPS: \$2,500 move-in package for future incoming students
 - c) Parli report
 - Parli: Legislation to ask Purdue to provide move-in package to incoming graduate staff, constitutional.
 - d) President report (given by Chair in President's absence, written by President)
 - (1) Chair: Proposal unlikely to succeed
 - (2) Chair: Small sample size, not representative of graduate community
 - (3) Chair: Support for move-in package questionable
 - (4) Chair: Remove one contrary survey result from exhibit
 - (5) Chair: Despite issues and unlikelihood of success, a move-in package is good and necessary
 - (6) Chair: Housing listening session will be held to address rising costs of rent
 - (7) Chair: This resolution speaks to Senate's efforts to advocate for future grad students
 - (8) Chair: Dialogue with administration will be important
 - e) Questions
 - (1) Philosophy: Automatic to all incoming staff?
 - (a) EAPS: Yes.
 - (2) ABE: International students?
 - (a) EAPS: Created in dialogue with international students, originally made with them in mind but applies to everybody.
 - (3) PULSe: Populations surveyed?
 - (a) EAPS: Unsure because survey is anonymized, but half are international and half are domestic.
 - (4) Econ: Will they have to pay the money back?
 - (a) EAPS: No.
 - (5) Food Sci: How will international students receive money without a checking account?
 - (a) EAPS: The point is to get a check in their hand.
 - (6) Diversity Officer: Do you include students who are not offered any type of assistantship in your survey?
 - (a) EAPS: May be too ambitious to expand to non-staff
 - (7) Languages and Cultures: PGSG or Purdue funded?
 - (a) EAPS: Purdue
 - (8) PRO: Will the university pay or will the advisors pay?
 - (a) EAPS: Up to Purdue but ideally from the university.
 - (b) EAPS: Suggested in survey to leave the choice to departments (on model of other schools).
 - (9) IMPH: What approximate percentage of R1 schools have similar packages?
 - (a) EAPS: I don't know. 25 universities listed in survey.
 - f) Discussion
 - (1) **Against** Philosophy: Not strongly opposed. It may make more sense to structure this as a grant instead of a dollar-amount package.
 - (2) GRAC Chair (point of information)
 - (a) Incoming students are not eligible for Transitional Housing Grant because there is a chance they won't show up. There is currently no widely
 - (3) Against HTM: Would be \$30M, suggests amendment to change amount but would vote against in current state because the ask is unrealistic.
 - (a) Motion to table from HTM
 - (i) Seconded by DVM
 - (ii) Ayes have it, motion is adopted.
 - FA24-R002 "Equitable Access to Type "A" Parking Permits for Graduate Students"
 - a) Senate Chair relinquished chair to Parli
 - b) Motion to waive reading by History
 - (1) Second by [?]
 - c) Sponsor report

- (1) Biochem: This legislation focuses on providing type a parking passes for graduate students and also lowering the cost of the type a parking pass to that of a type C.
- (2) Yield to Senate Chair: Quick recap.
- d) Parli report
 - (1) Parli: Constitutional but the senate chair did bring up a potential conflict with the chair writing legislation. In my opinion—OK.
- e) President report (given by Parli as presiding officer in President's absence, written by President)
- f) Questions:
 - (1) DVM:
 - (2) ME: First question is reduce to 125
 - (3) TLI: In the whereas resolved for international
 - (4) Food Sci: How would you qualify?
 - (5) Civil: How about 5pm parking?
 - (6) Diversity Officer: Is there a cut off of parking permits allowed?
- g) Discussion:
 - (1) Motion to amend by TLI
 - (a) Change 30 hours a week to 20 hours a week
 - (b) Second by [?]
 - (c) TLI: Rationale: international students would not qualify for this permit.
 - (d) Discussion:
 - (i) Food Sci: We are international and must work 20 hours.
 - (ii) Treasurer: Is it necessary to provide restrictions. How do we reserve this for people who really need it.
 - (e) Secondary motion to amend by TLI
 - (i) Change hours a week language to FTE (decrease from 0.75 FTE to 0.5 FTE) and add explanation that this is to make permit equitably accessible to national and international students.
 - (ii) Attempted tertiary motion to amend by HTM
 - (a) Minor format corrections
 - (b) Parli as presiding officer: Out of order until current amendment is disposed of.
 - (iii) Approved.
 - (f) Secondary motion to amend by HTM
 - (i) Formatting
 - (ii) Second by Food Sci
 - (iii) Adopted by acclamation
 - (g) Discussion:
 - (i) For DVM: Really good resolution that can solve some issues but I have one issue, as a vet student I am a professional student.
 - (h) Secondary motion to amend by DVM
 - (i) Add "including 4th year veterinary students" in various locations
 - (ii) Second by HTM
 - (iii) DVM: Rationale: If we have emergency cases we need to attend to can't be walking long distances. I would like to add in the 2nd note be it further resolved to add vet students to lowering cost too
 - (iv) Discussion:
 - (a) L&C: When you include Vet students are you saying that Vet students are not graduate students.
 - (i) DVM: To university students we are technically separate.
 - (b) Diversity Officer: Maybe adopt a broader language to be more encompassing.
 - (i) DVM: I agree with all of that and would be happy with making that change. I yield to anyone else.
 - (c) AVB: The specifics, need to change bill to include all members of the graduate community. Restructure entire bill.
 - (d) TLI: Add 4th year vet students, at Purdue school they use professional and graduate students in statistics. If they pay they are eligible. I would like to add specific word in front of graduate students to specify.
 - (i) DVM: Can clarify this by adding DVM 4th year.
 - (ii) Parli as presiding officer: Amendment not in order

right now.

- (v) Adopted by acclamation
- (i) Secondary motion to amend by Chief of Staff
 - (i) Strike 4th year veterinary students, add professional students
 - (ii) Second by HTM
 - (iii) Adopted by acclamation
- (j) Secondary motion to amend by Chief of Staff
 - (i) In all locations, read "graduate and professional students"
 - (ii) Second by HTM
 - (iii) Reading of the amendment waived by general consent
 - (iv) Adopted by acclamation
- (k) Amendment extinguished by other adopted amendments.

Chair-The time for adjournment has been reached.

VIII. Adjournment

a. Time for adjournment reached at 8:00 PM.

Reference documents:

- 1. Financial Code of Operations.
- 2. PGSG Constitution.
- 3. PGSG ByLaws.
- 4. If you are not already on the discord, please follow this link: https://discord.gg/kXPPfv24

APPENDIX A

NEWLY ELECTED SENATORS AND ALTERNATES

[SEE ATTACHED ONE (1) PAGE]

New Senators Alternates

Department	Name	Email	Department	Name	Email
Industrial Engineering	Kamelia Sepanloo	ksepanlo@p urdue.edu	Engineering Education	Udeme Idem	uidem@purd ue.edu
Environmental and Ecological Engineering (EEE)	Yiming Liu	liu3285@pu rdue.edu	Industrial and Physical Pharmacy (IPPH)	Cyd Devin Shrader	shradec@pu rdue.edu
			Health Sciences	Wagner Antonio Tamagno	wtamagno@ purdue.edu

APPENDIX B

SENATOR ROLL CALL

[SEE ATTACHED ONE (1) PAGE]

Aeronautics and Astronautics (AAE)	Arjun Rajashekar Adiga	Р
Agricultural and Biological Engineering (ABE)	Harsh Pathak	Р
Agricultural Economics	Emily Forsythe	Р
Agricultural Sciences Education and Communication (AgSEC)	Aimable Mugabo	A
Agronomy	Binod Joshi (N)	Р
Animal Sciences	lqra Nazir	Р
Anthropology	Taylor Symone Borgelt	Р
Art & Design	Carolyn Guerin (N)	Р
Asian American and Asian Resource and Cultural Center (AAARCC)	Nguyen Le	Р
Aviation and Transportation Technology (ATT)	Gustavo Sanchez Cortes	Α
Biochemistry	Gaoya (Grace) Meng	Р
Biological Sciences	Ayomide Olohigbe Unuigbokhai	Α
Biomedical Engineering	Mikayla Roach	Р
Botany and Plant Pathology (BPP)	Pascal Okoye	А

Chemical Engineering	Katherine L. Young	A
Chemistry	Samson Marvellous Oladeji	Р
Civil Engineering	Deepak Benny	Р
Communication	Clara Elisa Hortua Alvarado	Α
Computer and Information Technology (CIT)	El Breidi, Khalil	Р
Computer Graphics Technology	Sanjeevani Patankar	Р
Computer Science (CS)	Mahmood, Syed Hasan Amin	Р
Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM)	Jacob Mishne	Р
Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences (EAPS)	Vincent Sassard	Р
Ecological Sciences and Engineering (ESE)	Ariana Jolie Lazo (N)	Р
Economics	Navid Safahieh	Р
Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE)	Nimit Agarwal (N)	Р
Electrical and Computer engineering (ECE) (INDY)	Avijit Saha	Р
Engineering Education	Anyerson Cuervo	Alternate
English	Dylan Henderson	Α

Environmental and Ecological Engineering (EEE)	Yiming Liu	Alternate
Food Science	Daniel Alfonso Fajardo Reyes	Р
Forestry and Natural Resources (FNR)	Delaney Frances Jones	Α
Health Sciences	Marwan Alajlouni	Р
History	Srishti Dutta Chowdhury	Р
Horticulture and Landscape Architecture (HLA)	Khadija Mbacke	Р
Hospitality and Tourism Management (HTM)	Reed Davisson	Р
Human Development and Family Sciences (HDFS)	Can Carkoglu	Р
Industrial and Molecular Pharmaceutics (IMPH)	Rachana Sapkota	Alternate
Industrial Engineering	Kamelia Sepanloo	Р
Interdisciplinary Biomedical Sciences (IBSC)	Tuba Marjan	Р
Languages and Cultures	Nafiu Olayiwola Oloore	P
Management (MGMT)	Rajeev Karunanayake	P
		Alternate
Materials Engineering	Ankit Kumar	Nicole Balog (not on list)
Mathematics	Geoffrey Baring	Р
Mechanical Engineering (ME)	Aishwary Shrivastava	Р

Medicinal Chemistry and Molecular Pharmacology	Jude Tetteh Quarshie	Α
Program Name	Incoming Senator Name	Present/Absent
Nuclear Engineering (NE)	Stepan Ozerov	Р
Nutrition Science	Rojina Thapa	Р
Philosophy	James Harry Day	Р
Physics and Astronomy	Allen Roy Murray (N)	Р
Political Science	Sarandan Green	Р
Purdue University Interdisciplinary Life Sciences (PULSe)	Emmanuel Oluwarotimi	Р
Sociology	Juwen Wang	Р
Technology, Leadership, and Innovation (TLI)	Elnara Mammadova	Р