

Purdue Graduate Student Senate (PGSS)



3rd Senate Meeting

Thursday, September 27th, 2024; 6:00 PM - **End Time: 8:00 PM**

Virtual: <https://purdue-edu.zoom.us/j/94742518292?pwd=DzV3zdbe0BRaU9MAOWKUGBRfNaFWCA.1>

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

- Acting Parliamentarian appointed as clerk for the meeting.
- Meeting called to order at 6:07 PM

II. Roll Call

- 34 out of 52 Senators present (as of 6:07 PM), quorum is met
- **Announcement of Newly Elected Senators and Alternates**
 1. List of Newly Elected Senators and Alternates will be appended to these minutes (Appendix A).
- Senator Roll Call will be appended to these minutes (Appendix B).
- Executive Officers:
 1. Present:
 - a) President
 - b) Chief of Staff
 - c) Treasurer
 - d) Public Relations Officer
 - e) Senate Chair
 - f) Legislative Affairs Officer
 - g) Diversity Team Chair
 - h) Community Team Chair
 - i) GRAC Chair
 - j) Acting Parliamentarian
 2. Absent:
 - a) Career Team Chair
 - b) Life Chair

III. Approval of Minutes (*General Consent*)

- Motion to waive reading by PRO
 1. Second by ECE
 2. Adopted by general consent
- Motion to approve by History
 1. Second by FNR
 2. Adopted by general consent

IV. Approval of the Agenda

- Motion to waive reading by History
 1. Second by MSE
 2. Adopted by general consent
- Motion to approve by DVM
 1. Second by PHIL
 2. TLI: Motion to amend agenda to add discussion item
 - a) Acting Parli: Motion is out of order, can provide bylaw upon request
 - b) History: Emergency legislation?
 - c) Acting Parli: Emergency legislation needs to be filed beforehand in writing
 - d) DVM: Resolution should be submitted
 - e) Senate Chair: Motion is out of order.
 3. Adopted by general consent

V. Consent Agenda (*any item may be removed by a single voice*)

- No reports.
- **Committee and Team Reports**
- **Other Reports**

- VI. **Officer Reports** (*General Consent*)
 - o No reports.
- VII. **Special Order**
 - o **Confirmation of Parliamentarian**
 1. President report
 2. Appointee report
 3. Questions:
 - a) PHIL: How long do you want to stay in the role?
 - (1) Acting Parli: This year. Not sure about Parliamentarian afterwards but will remain involved in PGSG.
 - b) History: How will you support Senators?
 - (1) Acting Parli: I will ensure the rules are followed so that senators' right to speak fairly and democratically is protected.
 - c) Languages and Cultures: How familiar are you with rules? You did not seem to know the answer to TLI's question during approval of the agenda
 - (1) Acting Parli: TLI was informed that the bylaw would be provided upon request, I did not want to slow down meeting to find it right this moment.
 - d) English: How do you respond to those who say that parliamentary procedure slows down the organization and what will you do to make it less cumbersome for Senators?
 - (1) Acting Parli: Timeless complaint, adherence to procedure protects rights of senators.
 4. Vote: 26 for, 1 against; Parliamentarian confirmed.
- VIII. **Old Business**
 - o **FA24-R001 "Resolution Establishing the Small Research Grant"**
 1. **Opposed** BPP: Did not rise to speak.
 2. **For** History: Certain depts require shorter term funds to fulfill objectives, never paid by department or seen as sufficiently appointment. This grant would enable people to ask for the money they require.
 3. **For** PULSE: Did not rise to speak.
 4. **For** MSE: I agree because there is no demerit.
 5. **For** AAE: Did not rise to speak.
 6. **For** Food Sciences:
 7. End discussion
 - a) History moved
 - b) AgEcon seconded
 - c) General consent
 8. Counted electronic vote
 - a) 32 for, 0 against; resolution adopted
 - o **FA24-B001 "Funding the Small Research Grant"**
 1. Author report (GRAC Chair)
 - a) Shows where funding is.
 2. Parliamentarian report
 - a) Emergency legislation, did not review, nothing to report.
 3. President report
 - a) There is a need to show where money comes from and provide details with regard to timeframe.
 4. Questions seeking factual clarification
 - a) No questions.
 5. Discussion
 - a) No one sought the floor.
 6. Counted electronic vote
 - a) 31 for, 0 against; bill passed
 - o **FA24-B002 "Amendments to the Financial Code of Operations"**
 1. Author report (President)
 - a) The FCO must be amended in order for the money to be allocated.
 - b) FCO dictates how finances will be spent for the year and the next year.
 2. Parliamentarian report
 - a) Emergency legislation, did not review, nothing to report content-wise.
 - b) A vote is allowed at this time per FCO.
 3. President report
 - a) From a presidential point of view, this legislation is needed.
 4. Questions seeking factual clarification
 - a) No questions.
 5. Discussion
 - a) **For** DVM: Important in order for funding to be approved.

6. End discussion
 - a) DVM moved
 - b) History seconded
 - c) General consent
7. Counted electronic vote
 - a) 30 for, 0 against; bill passed

IX. New Business

- **Introduction of Emergency Legislation**
- **Election of Senate Clerk**
 1. Physics: What are the Senate Clerk's responsibilities?
 - a) GRAC Chair: Secretarial role.
 - b) GRAC Chair: Cannot be both a senator and the Senate Clerk.
 2. Chair: \$1,000 compensation. Reiterated that one cannot be both a senator and Senate Clerk.
 3. No nominations received.
- **Consideration of New Legislation**
- **Consideration of Emergency Legislation**

X. Announcements

- President: Executive Board established a Listening Session committee
 1. First listening session held, thank you senators for attending
 2. Next listening session on 10/16 at PGSC for stipends, senators encouraged to gather feedback from constituents.
- EAPS: Proposing legislation for move-in package for incoming graduate students, circulating survey in Discord to gather data on move-in expenses and other universities offering move-in packages.
- Communications: Tippecanoe County said that form for CityBus did not have consent section, this section should be included when gathering data
 1. President: Data is anonymized in transportation survey and, I think, in EAPS senator's survey.
- Diversity: Mon 10/31 11:30-1, healthy relationships lunch, CARE, CAPS, OGPS and experts will be present.
- ESE: Presidential election upcoming and Purdue has no polling location on campus. City Hall polling location is nearby but not the most accessible
 1. President: Not approved yet, but Board of Trustees proposing to allow Co-Rec to be used as a voting center.

XI. Adjournment

- Moved by GRAC Chair
 1. Seconded by DVM
 2. Adopted by acclamation
- Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM

Reference documents:

1. [Financial Code of Operations.](#)
2. [PGSG Constitution.](#)
3. [PGSG ByLaws.](#)

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APPENDIX A

NEWLY ELECTED SENATORS AND ALTERNATES

[SEE ATTACHED ONE (1) PAGE]

Program Name	Type	College or Center	New senator
Agronomy	Department	Agriculture	Binod Joshi
Ecological Sciences and Engineering (ESE)	Graduate Interdisciplinary Program	Liberal Arts, School of Interdisciplinary Studies	Ariana Jolie Lazo
Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE)	Department	Engineering	Nimit Agarwal
Physics and Astronomy	Department	Science	Allen Roy Murray
Art & Design	Department	Liberal Arts	Carolyn Guerin

APPENDIX B

SENATOR ROLL CALL

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Program Name	Type	Incoming Senator Name	Present/Absent
Aeronautics and Astronautics (AAE)	Department	Arjun Rajashekar Adiga	Absent
Agricultural and Biological Engineering (ABE)	Department	Harsh Pathak	Present
Agricultural Economics	Department	Emily Forsythe	Present
Agricultural Sciences Education and Communication (AgSEC)	Department	Aimable Mugabo	Absent
Agronomy	Department	Binod Joshi (N)	Absent
Animal Sciences	Department	Iqra Nazir	Present
Anthropology	Department	Taylor Symone Borgelt	Present
Aviation and Transportation Technology (ATT)	Department	Gustavo Sanchez Cortes	Present
Biochemistry	Department	Gaoya (Grace) Meng	Present
Biological Sciences	Department	Ayomide Olohigbe Unuigbokhai	Present
Biomedical Engineering	Department	Mikayla Roach	Present
Botany and Plant Pathology (BPP)	Department	Pascal Okoye	Absent
Chemical Engineering	Department	Katherine L. Young	Present
Chemistry	Department	Samson Marvellous Oladeji	Present
Civil Engineering	Department	Deepak Benny	Present
Communication	Department	Clara Elisa Hortua Alvarado	Present
Computer Graphics Technology	Department	Sanjeevani Patankar	Present
Computer Science (CS)	Department	Mahmood, Syed Hasan Amin	Present
Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM)	Veterinary Program	Jacob Mishne	Present
Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences (EAPS)	Department	Vincent Sassard	Present
Ecological Sciences and Engineering (ESE)	Graduate Interdisciplinary Program	Ariana Jolie Lazo (N)	Present
Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE)	Department	Nimit Agarwal (N)	Present
Engineering Education	Department	Anyerson Cuervo	Present
English	Department	Dylan Henderson	Present
Food Science	Department	Daniel Alfonso Fajardo Reyes	Present
Forestry and Natural Resources (FNR)	Department	Delaney Frances Jones	Present
Health Sciences	Department	Marwan Alajlouni	Present
History	Department	Srishti Dutta Chowdhury	Present
Horticulture and Landscape Architecture (HLA)	Department	Khadija Mbacke	Present
Hospitality and Tourism Management (HTM)	Department	Reed Davisson	Alternate Present Kasey Riha
Human Development and Family Sciences (HDFS)	Department	Can Carkoglu	Present
Industrial and Physical Pharmacy (IPPH)	Department	Rachana Sapkota	Present

Interdisciplinary Biomedical Sciences (IBSC)	Graduate Interdisciplinary Program	Tuba Marjan	Present
Languages and Cultures	Department	Nafiu Olayiwola Oloore	Absent
Management (MGMT)	Department	Rajeev Karunanayake	Present
Materials Engineering	Department	Ankit Kumar	Present
Mathematics	Department	Geoffrey Baring	Absent
Mechanical Engineering (ME)	Department	Aishwary Shrivastava	Absent
Nuclear Engineering (NE)	Department	Stepan Ozerov	Present
Nutrition Science	Department	Rojina Thapa	Present
Philosophy	Department	James Harry Day	Present
Physics and Astronomy	Department	Allen Roy Murray (N)	Present
Political Science	Department	Sarandan Green	Present
Purdue University Interdisciplinary Life Sciences (PULSe)	Graduate Interdisciplinary Program	Emmanuel Oluwarotimi	Absent
Sociology	Department	Juwen Wang	Present
Technology, Leadership, and Innovation (TLI)	Department	Elnara Mammadova	Present
Art & Design	Department	Carolyn Guerin (N)	Absent
Computer and Information Technology (CIT)	Department	El Breidi, Khalil	Present
Economics	Department	Navid Safahieh	Absent
Medicinal Chemistry and Molecular Pharmacology	Department	Jude Tetteh Quarshie	Absent
Electrical and Computer engineering (ECE) (INDY)	Graduate program	Avijit Saha	Absent
Asian American and Asian Resource and Cultural Center (AAARCC)	Cultural Center	Nguyen Le	Absent