

Graduate Student Senate  
Meeting of the Whole— September 12, 2018

20 People in Attendance

Executive Council Attendees: Joey Campbell, Jessica Bocanegra, Aayudh Das and Mahafuza Aktar

Senator Attendees: Brandon Ackley, Jeffrey Garfield Adams, Kevin Fischer, Emma Giering, Tatiana Gladkikh, Humon Heidarian, Kayla Johnson, Jaspreet Singh Nagi, Sanish Paramadam-proxy (Anoob), Anoob Prakash, Andrew Ridgeway, Ashley Waldron, Alissa White

Representatives: Aarzo Grover, Camille Marcotte

Attendance was called  
Call to order— 11:00 AM  
Agenda

**Executive Board report:**

**President:**

Discussed with the senators about leadership characteristics should the next president possess? Senators suggested he or she should be a team player. He should make community services his priority.

The senators also suggested the new president should be open to change.

**Vice- President:**

First event senator's retreat was a big success.

Several standing committees and action committees were formed at the retreat.

Standing committees:

Financial committee- Aayudh Das, Tatiana Gladkikh, Jaspreet Nagi

Student Affair Committee: Joey Campbell, Mara Hintz, Berke Tinaz, Jeff Adams

Stipend Committee: Jaspreet Nagi, Aarzo Grover, Anoob Prakash, Tatiana Gladkikh, Aayudh Das

Parking Committee: Jessica Bocanegra, Johnny Gonzalez

Constitution/Bylaws Revisionary Committee: Brandon Ackley, Anoob Prakash, Erin Cullen, Mahafuza Aktar, Eric Hobson

Housing Committee: Kayla Johnson, Molly Hurd, Kevin Fischer, Aayudh Das, Berke Tinaz

Maternity & Family Leave Committee: Kenna Rewcastle, Erin Cullen, Molly Hurd, Kayla Johnson, Aarzo Grover

Student Fees Committee: Brandon Ackley, Kayla Johnson, Kevin Fischer, Berke Tinaz

Diversity Committee: Mahafuza Aktar, Erin Cullen

### **Budget:**

Proposed FX 18-19 budget from last senate: 27,500/-

For this year's budget: Carry over from FY18, 11,999/-, Student fees (Fall), 14,744/- and Student fees ( spring), 14,744/-. Total GSS revenues 41,487/-

### **Audit Committee 2018-2019: (Aayudh Das)**

Overseeing the quality and integrity of the University's financial statements including the selection of, and effective interaction with, the independent auditor. Monitoring the effectiveness of institutional systems of risk management, internal controls, accounting procedures, and compliance with laws and regulations. It has a full authority over the internal audit function including the appointment, evaluation, and termination of the chief internal auditor.

### **Title IX Update:**

Provide an overview of UVM's approach to preventing and responding to sexual misconduct and sexual harassment

Discuss current initiatives and recent accomplishments

### **Financial and Physical Planning Committee (FPPC) Meeting: (Jackie Gillen)**

Dealing with broad issues with IBB (incentive-- based budgeting). Looking to include modifications to elements of the original model and/or new elements. The IBB is how UVM moves money around the University. Taking a closer look at three different Algorithms: 1, 6, and 7.

Richard Cate, Vice President of Finance for the University, was a guest in our meeting.

He discussed how the University was able to rebalance the budget after a potential financial shortcoming last fiscal year.

Lastly, we discussed programmed housing for first years, and whether the "Healthy

brains, healthy body class” that is mandatory for all Wellness Environment students should either be 3 credits or 1 credit, if it is not in a student’s minor.

Nov. 30th: Coffee Break #3 (GSS office; 9am-- 10:30am)  
December