



Date: 02/25/2022

- Interest from the committee chairs for this to be an opt-in opportunity and for time to be given for discussion at the committees
- Comment by Vice President Beach regarding the nature of Dean Forehand's request being less observational and more inquisitive/collaborative
- Executive board members will bring the opt-in suggestion to Dean Forehand at their meeting next week

Discussion of how graduate housing is offered

- Priority advertising to international students for 2 weeks, followed by GradNet advertisement

GSS-Sponsored Development and Advertisement of Events by Senators

- Session hosted on February 11th (1430-1600 on Friday) had zero attendees
- Inquiry regarding why students did not attend and curiosity as to what students are interested in attending
 - Attendance may be related to timing – mixed suggestion to avoid Fridays
 - Conflict in timing for lab-science and non-lab-science programs
 - Lack of advertisement regarding the GSS events
 - Advertisement expected through the GSS meetings
 - Lack of awareness of the content that is present in the emails
 - More social media outreach from GSS
 - Role of senators in presenting events to their constituents
 - Potential relation to the amount of time worked by graduate students
 - ACTION ITEM: discuss the topic of scheduling at subsequent meetings
 - Senators are interested in seeing a list of potential professional development topics
 - Request for involvement form committees in planning events

Minutes have been approved for the December Meeting on 12/03/2021

The minutes were read from the August meeting and approved.

- Motioned by Paul Suk-Hyun Yoon
- Seconded by Daniel Munteanu

Discussion on Sexual Violence Prevention Council

- This would be decided by the program designed by the Administration. Current proposal does not include specifics of this nature.
- Suggestion of using the UVM Proximate Zone as a starting point for the area
- Has SGA been approached for co-sponsorship?
 - Topic has not been discussed yet. SAPE committee chair (Justin Salisbury) feels this would be a good opportunity for SGA collaboration

Call to Vote by Holly Paige Chaos, Seconded by Baxter Worthing

- Vote by general consent. No dissent on the motion. The resolution passes

Concern voiced by senator regarding comments by faculty advisors regarding GSS as a distraction

- Senators have experienced comments from advisors that acting as a senator is not a primary role of graduate students
- Concern voiced by senators regarding the ideal venue for this discussion, may not be an element for a GSS General Body Meeting
- GSS Exec Board could put together a suggestion list for how to approach these conversations with advisors
- Additional senator opinions:
 - service is an important part of being an academic; professors have to perform service as advisors, reviewers and committee members

Discussion on the Planning of meetings

- Senator feels that meeting should be either virtual or in-person, but a hybrid meeting may not capture as many students
- Planning for meetings that are in-person would need to consider the timing and accessibility of the meetings
- Survey will be sent out to determine level of interest in in-person or virtual events
 - Additional determination on masking or non-masking for in-person meetings

Discussion of senators hosting informal meetings

- Senators can host informal meetings at their own leisure
- Suggestion by Paul Suk-Hyun Yoon to have informal meetings at the Allen House

GSS Bowling Event hosted on Tuesday March 1st from 1800. See GSS newsletter for details

Tuesday, March 22nd at 1800

Motion to adjourn was made at 9:00 p.m. and was passed unanimously.

