1. **Call to Order**—6:00pm  
   a. Approval of Agenda and Minutes (~1 minute)
2. **Introduction of Senators** (~ 2 minutes)
3. 2:2:2 (2 Senators: 2 Departments: 2 Minutes)
4. **Grad College Report**
5. **Agenda**
   a. GSS Orientation
   b. Ben Gillig, President of ECGPS
   c. Special Election: Executive Associate
   d. Assemble into Committees
6. **Executive Reports**
   a. President’s Report**—Bryan Brown
   b. Vice President’s Report—Tessa Quintero
   c. Treasurer’s Report—Brian Fahey
   d. Membership Officer’s Report—Kassie McLaughlin
   e. Parliamentarian’s Report—Andrew Juhl
   f. Public Relations Officer’s Report—John Haman
   g. Graduate Council Report**—Bryan Brown, Gaby Hamerlinck, Sarah Lucas, Kristan Worthington
   h. ECGPS Delegate Report**—Stacey Alex, Bryan Brown
   i. DGSAC Chair Report—OPEN
   j. Webmaster Report—James Skretta
7. **Committee Representative Reports**
   a. Academic Mentoring Committee—Kristan Worthington, Kassie McLaughlin
   b. Computer Resources Committee**—Sam Trammel
   c. International Student Committee—Christian Supiot
   d. Jakobsen Conference Committee—Brady Hoback, Levent Sensoy, OPEN
   e. Jakobsen Conference Review Committee—OPEN
   f. Legislative Committee—OPEN
   g. Service & Social Committee —Andrew Juhl, Cassie Ellis
   h. Travel Funds Committee**—Gaby Hamerlinck, Hang Nguyen
8. **Announcements**
9. **Adjournment**

**Reports Included**
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General Assembly Meeting
Agenda
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Reports

7. Executive Reports
   a. President’s Report—Bryan Brown
      i. Welcome to another academic year. I’m excited for the many upcoming
         events we have planned this year.
      ii. We want to help get the word out: send information about events grad
          students should hear about (e.g., fund raisers, charity events, social events)
          to myself, or John Haman the Public Relations Officer. Be sure to include a
          description of the event, date, time and contact info.
      iii. If you’re looking for more leadership experience you may want to consider
           being more involved in GSS leadership. There are still opportunities to serve
           as committee co-chairs as well as opportunities to serve on ECGPS charter
           committees. Please contact me for more information.
      iv. Be sure to keep track of your GSS service hours – senators with more than
          45 hours over the year are invited to an Exemplary Senator Dinner.
   b. Vice President’s Report—Tessa Quintero
      i. Nothing to report
   c. Treasurer’s Report—Brian Fahey
      i. Nothing to report
   d. Membership Officer’s Report—Kassie McLaughlin
      i. Nothing to report
   e. Parliamentarian’s Report—Andrew Juhl
      i. Nothing to report
   f. Public Relations Officer’s Report—John Haman
      i. Nothing to report
   g. Graduate Council Report—Bryan Brown, Gaby Hamerlinck, Sarah Lucas, Kristan
      Worthington
      i. Upcoming meetings and minutes are posted at:
      http://facstaff.grad.uiowa.edu/graduate-council/meetings
   h. ECGPS Delegate Report—Stacey Alex, Bryan Brown
      i. ECGPS Grants Submissions due by 11:59pm on September 13. Complete the
         application at https://ecgpsgrants.fluidreview.com/
      ii. Consider enrolling in the Join Campaign and educating Iowa State Legislators
          of the importance of continued funding of graduate education.
      iii. There are graduate student positions needing filled on ECGPS Charter
           Committees. Please see Bryan Brown if you’re interested in helping GSS by
           serving on an ECGPS Charter Committee.
   i. DGSAC Delegate Report—OPEN
      i. Nothing to report
   j. Webmaster’s Report—James Skretta
      i. Nothing to report

8. Committee Reports
   a. Academic Mentoring Committee—Kristan Worthington and Kassie McLaughlin
      i. Nothing to report

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b. Computer Resources Committee—Sam Trammel
   i. The number of computers this was far less than previous years with only 55 PCs and 72 laptops. These numbers are far smaller than the estimates given to CRC last Spring. Because of the small amount of inventory, not all allocations could be filled. We used a perceived need criteria that included number of computers allocated last year, amount of funding the survey taker stated could be used for computers, and number of computers going directly to graduate students rather than computer labs or common areas. We also filled smaller requests to near 100% as these computers were often given directly to graduate students.

The Computer Resource Committee (CRC) has implemented several changes to distribution this year. 1) To fall in line with University policy, individual computing devices must be tracked by the tracking number located on the device. All allocated computers were sorted prior to allocation into departmental piles. Each department could only take what was allocated in their pile. 2) The survey was sent out at the beginning of Summer instead of the beginning of August. This change was meant to decrease surplus computers in the hands of GSS. In years past, the amount of computers retained by CRC was far in excess of the computers distributed, causing extra burden on CRC members to get the computers to surplus. We had planned to request from IT only the amount of computers demanded by responders to the survey. This year, demand was quite high and about equal to the estimates given at the beginning of the year. 3) Pick-up times were scheduled using doodle.com so that we knew when to be in the room. In years past, days were set aside and members were assigned large amounts of time on these days. On some days, no one would show up. The implementation of scheduling appears to have solved this problem.

CRC is now composed of two members and is in dire need of recruiting more members. This is a top priority for the head of CRC at the next general assembly meeting.

c. International Student Committee—Christian Supiot
   i. Nothing to report

d. Jakobsen Conference Committee—Brady Hoback, Levent Sensoy and OPEN
   i. Nothing to report

e. Jakobsen Conference Review Committee—OPEN
   i. Nothing to report

f. Legislative Committee—OPEN
   i. Nothing to report

g. Service & Social Committee—Andrew Juhl, Cassie Ellis
   i. Nothing to report

h. Travel Funds Committee—Gaby Hamerlinck, Hang Nguyen
   i. Welcome back everyone, for our summer deadlines, we funded 76% of all eligible applications in May and 67% of all eligible applications in July. A huge thank you goes out to those of you who were able to help score applications over the summer. **Our next deadline is September 12th.** We will have a scoring session in **B20 in the Biology Building at 5:15pm on September 17th.** As always, there will be snacks. We hope to see you there!
9. Announcements
   a. **College of Public Health New Student Orientation**, September 10, 11am-1pm. We may need volunteers to sit at the GSS table. Talk to Tessa Quintero for more information.
   b. **GSS Travel Grants** Review Session: September 17
   c. **Obermann Center** Graduate Student Fellowship Application Deadline: October 8
   d. **The Haunted Hustle for Hearing**. The Student Academy of Audiology (SAA) is hosting this 5K run/walk to benefit individuals with hearing impairment this fall on Sunday October 27, 2013 at 8:00 am at City Park. There will also be a short Fun Run for any children that wish to participate (children do not need to register for this event). Everyone is encouraged to wear their Halloween costume but they are not required. This fundraiser aims to raise money for the Wendell Johnson Speech and Hearing Clinic scholarship/assistance fund. We will be using this money to partially fund scholarships for the summer Listen and Speak Up Program (LSU). We will also allocate funds to help hearing impaired adults who do not qualify for Medicaid but also cannot afford the high cost of hearing aids. Check out the website at www.hustle4hearing.co for more information.
   e. Check out Upcoming Professional Development Seminars from **The Network** at http://www.grad.uiowa.edu/the-network

Please contact Bryan Brown or John Haman if you have announcements you’d like to disseminate to GSS Senators / graduate students.
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