



Graduate Student Senate
General Assembly Meeting
Minutes
22-April-2014

The University of Iowa
Graduate College
205 Gilmore Hall
Iowa City, IA 52241
(319) 335-3260

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) Jon Scholte, Gaby Hamerlinck

4. Grad College Report

- a. Large number of views of a particular *Chronical* article: "In Hindsight: Former PhD Students Reflect on Why They Jumped Ship" (https://chroniclevitae.com/news/445-in-hindsight-former-ph-d-students-reflect-on-why-they-jumped-ship?cid=at&utm_source=at&utm_medium=en)
- i. Assessment: Reasons why people left, generally funding and mentoring
 1. Not worth it
 2. High costs
 3. Something about the academic lifestyle
 4. The program wasn't supportive
 - ii. What would have made you stay?
 1. More collaboration, more connection
 2. Better academic job market
 3. More time for friends and family
 4. Better relationship with advisor
 5. A "way-back machine," starting program sooner
- b. Public Dissertation Abstract: related "Three Minute Thesis Competition" (link to one school's practice: <http://www.sgs.utoronto.ca/currentstudents/Pages/3MT.aspx>)
- i. This is a practice for students in the public (Canada, other places)
 1. Functions in the similar fashion to the public abstract
 2. Communicate ideas of dissertation to the public

5. Agenda

- a. Budget approval
- i. GPAC approved a 2% increase in GSS budget (See appendix I)
 - ii. GSS Total: \$20,644.97
 - iii. Jon Scholte: Note that GPAC is looking to do a line item review of the member government budgets in the upcoming year. Do a good job with your funds!
 - iv. Motion to pass the budget as written: motion passed
- b. Constitutional amendments (GSS Handbook and Constitution will be updated on GSS website soon)
- i. Change the GSS Constitution to reflect:
 1. ECGPS name change to GPSG
 2. GPSG GSS delegate numbers change
 3. Division of governments figure
 - ii. Jakobsen Conference Committee 4th Co-Chair: Coordinating Co-Chair
 - iii. Restructure the Academic Mentoring Committee (Postponed)
 - iv. Motion to pass all changes as written: motion approved
- c. Executive council nominations (See appendix II)

Executive Reports

- a. President's Report**—Bryan Brown
- b. Vice President's Report—Tessa Quintero
- c. Treasurer's Report**—Brian Fahey



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- d. Membership Officer's Report—Kassie McLaughlin
- e. Parliamentarian's Report— OPEN
- 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

2. 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, Gloria Wenman
- e. Jakobsen Conference Review Committee—OPEN
- f. Legislative Committee—Kelsey Kramer
- g. Service & Social Committee —Andrew Juhl, OPEN
- h. Travel Funds Committee**—Gaby Hamerlinck, Hang Nguyen

3. Announcements**

4. Adjournment

**Reports Included

Reports

7. Executive Reports

- a. President's Report—Bryan Brown
 - i. We are nearing the end of this academic year. Thank you for your support of GSS throughout the year. We are trying to arrange a Final Friday for this semester. If you are able to help plan that please contact me.
- b. Treasurer's Report—Brian Fahey
 - i. Expenses incurred so far: (Courtesy of the Student Organization Business Office)
 - 1. Daily Iowan Ad 591.87
 - 2. JFJ Art Award 50.00
 - ii. Ending balance: as of this time. \$19,810.67 (includes both 00 and main accounts)
 - iii. There are more items that need to be processed, which will be known usually at the beginning of each month.
- c. 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>
- d. ECGPS Delegate Report—Stacey Alex, Bryan Brown



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- i. As a reminder, ECGPS changed its name to the Graduate and Professional Student Government. Please make note of this. GPSG Elections took place last week. Jon Scholte was elected Vice President of GPSG, and Alyssa Billmeyer, a Pharmacy student, was elected President. Congratulations to Jon and Alyssa.

8. Committee Reports

- a. Travel Funds Committee—Gaby Hamerlinck, Hang Nguyen
 - i. Thank you to all who helped score our record high March applications, you are awesome! We were able to fund 78% of the eligible applications. We have our last Travel Funds application cycle coming up with a **May 22nd deadline**. This deadline is the last of the fiscal year so make sure to apply! The new fiscal year also marks the end of Gaby's tenure as chair so we are looking for a replacement. This would ideally be someone who can commit for 2 years (a year of training with Hang and then a year where you would train Hang's replacement). Please let Gaby or Hang know if you are interested!

9. Announcements

- a. Travel Funds Deadline May 22nd
- b. Final Friday TBD

10. Appendix I

Line Item	Budget
Jakobsen Conference Committee	14,500.97
Travel Funds Committee	100.00
Service And Social Committees	4,000.00
Graduate Student Success	750.00
Computer Resources Committee	50.00
Educational Outreach Committee	50.00
Public Relations	100.00
General Assembly Meetings	600.00
Executive Council Leadership Forum	150.00
Miscellaneous	344.00
Total	20,644.97

11. Appendix II

Nominations for GSS 2014-15 Elected Positions

President
 Gaby Hamerlinck

Vice President
 Kassie McLaughlin
 Valarie Galluzzi



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Executive Associate
Brady Hoback

Membership Officer
Mike Petrie

Treasurer
Brian Fahey
Jacob McLaughlin

Parliamentarian
Kelsey McGinnis
Gloria Wenman

Public Relations Officer
John Haman

Grad Council
Hang Nguyen
John Humston
Kristina Gavin
Nicole Jardine
Katie Winn

GPSG
James Hegeman
Valarie Galluzzi
Bryan Brown
Ben Berkowitz
Sarah Lucas
Gloria Wenman



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2013-2014 Graduate Student Senate
Roster of Elected Positions

Executive Officers:

President	Bryan Brown	bryan-brown@uiowa.edu
Vice President	Tessa Quintero	tessa-quintero@uiowa.edu
Treasurer	Brian Fahey	brian-j-fahey@uiowa.edu
Executive Associate	(Acting) Brady Hoback	brady-hoback@uiowa.edu
Membership Officer	Kassie McLaughlin	kassie-mclaughlin@uiowa.edu
Parliamentarian	OPEN	
Public Relations Officer	John Haman	john-haman@uiowa.edu
ECGPS Delegates	Bryan Brown	bryan-brown @uiowa.edu
	Stacey Alex	stacey-alex@uiowa.edu
	Tessa Quintero (alt)	tessa-quintero @uiowa.edu
Graduate Council	Bryan Brown	bryan-brown @uiowa.edu
	Kristan Worthington	kristan-sorenson@uiowa.edu
	Gabby Hamerlinck	gabriela-hamerlinck@uiowa.edu
	Sarah Lucas	sarah-lucas@uiowa.edu
Webmaster	James Skretta	james-skretta@uiowa.edu

Roster of Appointed Positions

Committee Chairs:

Academic Mentoring Committee	Kristan Worthington Kassie McLaughlin	kristan-sorenson@uiowa.edu kassie-mclaughlin@uiowa.edu
Computer Resources Committee	Sam Trammell	samuel-trammell@uiowa.edu
International Student Committee	Christian Supiot	christian-supiotperez@uiowa.edu
Jakobsen Conference Committee	Brady Hoback (Event Plan.) Levent Sensoy (Submissions) Gloria Wenman (Publicity)	brady-hoback@uiowa.edu levent-sensoy@uiowa.edu gloria-wenman@uiowa.edu
Jakobsen Conference Review	OPEN	
Legislative Committee	Kelsey Kramer	kelsey-kramer@uiowa.edu
Service and Social Committee	Andrew Juhl OPEN	andrew-juhl@uiowa.edu
Travel Funds Committee	Gaby Hamerlinck Hang Nguyen	gabriela-hamerlinck@uiowa.edu hang-nguyen@uiowa.edu

Additional GSS Representatives:

Dean's Graduate Student Advisory Committee (DGSAC)	OPEN	
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