



Graduate Student Senate
General Assembly Meeting
Minutes
24-March-2015

The University of Iowa
(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)

4. Grad College Report

- a. Dean Berkowitz:

- i. Reminder of Careers Outside of Academy Conference this Saturday (March 28th), there are still spots available. April 13-18 is 3MT (3 Minute Thesis).
- ii. Graduate Fellowships: after revisions, focus is on retention and completion. The Grad College recruitment fellowship: 76 overall nominations. 32/76 are from under-represented demographics (this, however, is to be expected since departments can only secure their two allotted awards on the condition that they nominate at least one person from an under-represented group: see <http://www.grad.uiowa.edu/gc-iowa-recruitment-fellowships>)
- iii. Seashore-Ballard: increased award recipients, from broader department base. Similar results for the Summer Award (note that not all awardees have been notified).
- iv. DEO Meeting: Topic: Annual Graduate Student Reviews
 1. Not a unified practice across departments: not all departments do it; departments evaluative practices vary
 2. The evaluative practice presents challenges: number of students, concerns of student's sensitivity, clarity of assessment & guidance, varying standards, and varying stages of program.
 - a. Progress is not uniformly defined across departments
 - b. No clear "red flag" across departments
 - c. Methods of notification
 3. Examples from other Universities of graduate student evaluation
- v. Assembly feedback to questions: Do you undergo evaluations by department? What format? What feedback mechanisms? Student responses? Challenges?

5. Agenda

- a. GPSG President duties and responsibilities - Alyssa Billmeyer
 - i. Primary external contact with between graduate and professional students, and external offices (legislators, University President, etc.). Requires a flexible schedules. 4-15 hours weekly depending on the week. Summer availability is not mandatory, but may be useful.
- b. GPSG President Nominations – Assembly
 - i. The nominations open at this meeting (March 24th) and will remain open until the next general assembly (April 20)
 - ii. See Appendix I for provisional list of nominations.
- c. GSS FY15-15 Budget Approval – Assembly, vote
 - i. See Treasurer's Report below
 - ii. Vote Results: Budget approved for submission to GPAC

Executive Reports

- a. President's Report**— Gaby Hamerlinck
- b. Vice President's Report— Valerie Galluzzi



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- c. Treasurer's Report**—Laurena Bernabo
- d. Membership Officer's Report—Mike Petrie
- e. Parliamentarian's Report— Gloria Wenman
- f. Public Relations Officer's Report—John Haman
- g. Graduate Council Report**— Gaby Hamerlinck, Sarah Lucas, Katie Winn, Kristin Gavin
- h. GPSG Delegate Report— Gaby Hamerlinck, Nicole Jardine, Rajiv Ranjan, Ben Berkowitz, Hang Nguyen
- i. DGSAC Chair Report—OPEN
- j. Webmaster Report—LaShelle Morrison, Mike Petrie

2. Committee Representative Reports

- a. International Student Committee— Paul Capobianco
- b. Graduate Success Committee— Gwendolyn Gillson
- c. Jakobsen Conference Committee— Valerie Galluzzi, Gloria Wenman, Tyler Weaver, Naomi Hertsberg
- d. Jakobsen Conference Review Committee—OPEN
- e. Legislative Committee— Kelsey McGinnis
- f. Service & Social Committee — Adrijana Pusnik, Mitch Lingo
- g. Travel Funds Committee** — Hang Nguyen, Nicole Jardine

3. Announcements**

4. Adjournment

**Reports Included

Reports

7. Executive Reports

- a. President's Report – Gaby Hamerlinck
 - i. Hello Everyone, as we wind down the year there are a few things that I wanted to make you aware of.
 - 1. During our next meeting (April 20th, 6pm 2520D UCC) we will be nominating senators for all elected positions. If you are interested and cannot make it to the meeting, please let me know (gabriela-hamerlinck@uiowa.edu) and I will put your name on the nomination list.
 - 2. Final GSS Meeting of the year is May 5th (6pm, 2520D UCC). We will be voting for all elected positions. This is perhaps the most important meeting of the year. Please make sure your department is represented.
 - 3. Hawkeye Caucus – sign up by tomorrow! Email Gaby or Kelsey (kelsey-kramer@uiowa.edu) if you are interested in participating.
- b. Treasurer's Report – Laurena Bernabo
 - i. We are requesting \$23,400 from GPAC for next fiscal year. For specific line item amounts, please contact Gaby or Laurena.
- c. Graduate Council Report— Gaby Hamerlinck, Sarah Lucas, Katie Winn, Kristin Gavin
 - i. Upcoming meetings and minutes are posted at:
<http://facstaff.grad.uiowa.edu/graduate-council/meetings>
- d. Travel Funds Committee - Hang Nguyen, Nicole Jardine



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- i. Please remind your constituents about the upcoming Travel Funds application deadline this Thurs, Mar 26 at midnight.
- ii. GSS Senators are welcomed to attend a Travel Funds reviewing/scoring session next Thurs, Apr 2 at 5:15pm in the Biology Building (across the street from Atlas), basement room B20. Snacks will be provided!

8. Announcements

- a. 17th Annual James F. Jakobsen Conference is March 28th. If you are interested in helping out with the conference, please contact one of the Jakobsen Committee Co-Chairs. Also, come out to support your fellow grad students.
- b. Travel Funds deadline: March 26th at midnight.



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2014-2015 Graduate Student Senate
Roster of Elected Positions

Executive Officers:

President	Gaby Hamerlinck	gabriela-hamerlinck@uiowa.edu
Vice President	Valerie Galluzzi	valerie-galluzzi@uiowa.edu
Treasurer	Laurena Bernabo	laurena-bernabo@uiowa.edu
Executive Associate	Brady Hoback	brady-hoback@uiowa.edu
Membership Officer	Mike Petrie	michael-petrie@uiowa.edu
Parliamentarian	Gloria Wenman	gloria-wenman@uiowa.edu
Public Relations Officer	John Haman	john-haman@uiowa.edu
GPSG Delegates	Gaby Hamerlinck	gabriela-hamerlinck@uiowa.edu
	Nicole Jardine	nicole-jardine@uiowa.edu
	Rajiv Ranjan	rajiv-ranjan@uiowa.edu
	Ben Berkowitz	benjamin-berkowitz@uiowa.edu
	Hang Nguyen	hang-nguyen@uiowa.edu
Graduate Council	Gaby Hamerlinck	gabriela-hamerlinck@uiowa.edu
	Sarah Lucas	sarah-lucas@uiowa.edu
	Katie Winn	kathleen-winn@uiowa.edu
	Kristin Gavin	
Webmaster	LaShelle Morrison	lashelle-morrison@uiowa.edu
	Mike Petrie	michael-petrie@uiowa.edu

Roster of Appointed Positions

Committee Chairs:

Graduate Success Committee	Gwendolyn Gillson	gwendolyn-gillson@uiowa.edu
International Student Committee	Paul Capobianco	paul-capobianco@uiowa.edu
Jakobsen Conference Committee	Valerie Galluzzi	valerie-galluzzi@uiowa.edu
	-Coordinating Co-Chair	
	Naomi Hertsberg	naomi-hertsberg@uiowa.edu
	-Publicity	
	Tyler Weaver	tyler-weaver@uiowa.edu
	-Judging and Submissions	
	Gloria Wenman	gloria-wenman@uiowa.edu
	-Event Planning	
Legislative Committee	Kelsey McGinnis	kelsey-kramer@uiowa.edu
Service and Social Committee	Adrijana Pusnik	adrijana-pusnik@uiowa.edu
	Mitch Lingo	mitchell-lingo@uiowa.edu
Travel Funds Committee	Hang Nguyen	hang-nguyen@uiowa.edu
	Nicole Jardine	nicole-jardine@uiowa.edu

Additional GSS Representatives:

Dean's Graduate Student Advisory Committee (DGSAC)	OPEN
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