Call to Order

Alex Bolton
### GPSS Senate Meeting Agenda

**Wednesday, February 10, 2016 5:30 pm**  
**HUB 334**

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Approval of the Minutes

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Alex Bolton (President) entertains a motion to move Brian Taubeneck and Kerstin Hudon’s Officer Reports to directly following approval of the minutes.

Kerstin Hudon (Treasurer) moves.

Brian Taubeneck (Vice President of External Affairs) seconds.

Brian Tracey (Marine & Environmental Affairs) moves to approve the amended agenda.

Mahdi Ashrafi (Mechanical Engineering) seconds.

Seeing no objections, the amended agenda is approved.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

John Larrie (Astronomy) corrects a point he made at the previous Senate Meeting. Under the current union contract, the U-PASS and the SAF are mandatory fees and cannot be waived, but the building fee can now be waived. Since the building fee is significantly more than the SAF fee, the total amount of fees is less.

Brian Tracey (Marine & Environmental Affairs) moves to approve the minutes.

Ted Chen (Bioengineering) seconds.

Seeing no objections, the minutes are approved.

4. OFFICER REPORTS

Brian Taubeneck (Vice President of External Affairs) shares that he has been down in Olympia lobbying and writing bills all quarter. He is trying to get the state to do a study on a State Loan Program for graduate students that would be at a lower interest rate than Graduate Plus Loans. They have a sponsor in both the House (Republican) and the Senate (Democrat). Marco Liias (Senate Sponsor) will be holding a Media Day on February 2nd at 9:00 am. He invites anyone with a stance on loans and the government’s role in paying them back to come down to Olympia on that day. February 8th is Lobby Day: HUSKIES ON THE HILL. He encourages everyone to attend. Transit and lunch are provided. Brian offers himself as speaker or
FEB. 19th, Friday
5-8 pm
UW Tower

MFAUW Presents
FAITH TALKS
MILLENIALS IN AMERICA

Friday
February 19th
5 PM - 8 PM
UW Tower

A night to explore different faiths through personal stories, facilitated discussions, and Q&A.
Dinner served at 5 PM

RSVP @ tinyurl.com/FaithTalks
Wednesday, Feb 10, 2016
Elections Committee Election

Wednesday, Mar 2, 2016
Elections Guide published and emailed to Senators

Wednesday, Mar 9, 2016
Q & A on Elections Guide, if needed
Monday, April 25, 2016, 5:30 p.m.

- The last day to file your nomination and have your materials published on the GPSS website.

- Candidates must declare which office they are running for at this time and certify that they meet the qualifications to run.

- Late nominations are accepted up to and including the day of the election, but materials will not be posted to the website if received later than this day.
Tuesday, April 26, 2016, 5:30 p.m.
Officer candidate information posted to GPSS website and emailed to Senators.

Monday, May 2, 2016, 5:30 p.m.
Last day to file challenges to the impartiality of the independent witnesses
GPSS 2016-2017 Officer Elections in HUB 334

- All candidates must attend this meeting.
- Candidates will be allotted a time slot in which to speak.
- The election result will be announced before the meeting is adjourned.
Friday, May 6, 2015, 5:30 p.m.

- Last day to file challenges to the Elections
  - All challenges must be submitted to the Elections Committee Chair in a written form (including an email).
  - Complaints will initially be adjudicated by the Elections Committee, and if necessary by the Judicial Committee.
# Elections Timeline

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Winter Social

Sarah Loeffler
A Resolution Requesting That the UW Honors State Holidays

Alex Bolton
Title: RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON HONORS STATE HOLIDAYS

Sponsored by: Alex Bolton, GPSS President
Written by: Alex Bolton, GPSS President
Resolution Number: 04. 15-16

WHEREAS the University of Washington (UW) is a state institution; and
WHEREAS the UW observes state holidays as University holidays; and
WHEREAS the UW academic calendar clearly indicates University holidays; and
WHEREAS some faculty currently compensate for missed class time due to University holidays with inappropriate actions such as scheduling classes on the aforementioned holiday (essentially ignoring the holiday), scheduling class during the weekend, and providing insufficient notice on these unofficial and unsanctioned class times; and
WHEREAS students may feel intimidated to protest such moves by faculty; and
WHEREAS students need to know when all classes are scheduled in order to avoid conflict with other classes and commitments,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON:

THAT no classes shall be scheduled on state holidays; and
THAT no classes scheduled during the week can have make up classes scheduled on a weekend, unless denoted in the time schedule as of Registration Period I; and
THAT all scheduled class meeting times must appear in the time schedule as of Registration Period I; and
THAT copies of this resolution be sent to University of Washington President Ana Mari Cauce, Provost Gerald Baldasty, ASUW President Tyler Wu, ASUWT President Sophie Nop, and ASUWB President Dominick Juarez.

Presented to GPSS for approval on February 10, 2016
Approved on
A Resolution in Support of the University of Washington Hosting Tent City III

Justin Bare
Title: RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
HOSTING TENT CITY III

Sponsored by: Justin Bare (Computer Science and Engineering)
Written by: Justin Bare (Computer Science and Engineering)
Resolution Number: 05. 15-16

WHEREAS access to shelter is a fundamental human right and should be facilitated by any society that claims to care for the welfare of its members; and
WHEREAS Mayor Ed Murray signed a Proclamation of Civil Emergency and Executive Constantine signed a Local Proclamation of Emergency in November 2015 to address the growing homelessness crisis in the Seattle metropolitan area; and
WHEREAS Seattle City Council members recognize that additional outreach, mental health services, and shelter are vital to reduce the long term problem of homelessness; and
WHEREAS according to a King County Survey, an estimated 10,047 people are homeless on any given night in 2015; and
WHEREAS in 2016 the annual One Night Count found 4,505 sleeping outside without shelter in Seattle, a 19% increase from 2015; and
WHEREAS over 7,000 people in King County are faced with finding shelter night after night, or are on waiting lists for transitional housing programs; and
WHEREAS on a single night in 2012 at least 214 children and 152 adults looking for shelter were turned away; and
WHEREAS less than 5% of all apartments in King County are affordable to households earning less than 30% of median income ($26,400 for a family of four); and
WHEREAS Tent City III offers a temporary fix to the problem of homelessness in King County by providing temporary housing to those without shelter for a minimal cost; and
WHEREAS Tent City III is part of King County’s largest shelter network, which is organized by

2 http://www.homelessinfo.org/what_we_do/one_night_count/2015_results.php
3 http://www.homelessinfo.org/what_we_do/one_night_count/2016_results.php
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Communication between the GPSS and Graduate Student Organization/Government

Alex Bolton
Announcements

All
Adjournment

Next Meeting: Feb. 24th