Call to Order

Alex Bolton
Approval of the Agenda

GPSS Senate Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, March 9, 2016 5:30 pm
HUB 334

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2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Ted Chen (Bioengineering) moves to approve the agenda.

Steven Tran (Chinese Studies) seconds.

Seeing no objections, the agenda is approved.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES 5:35 pm

Laura Taylor (Molecular & Cellular Biology) moves to approve the minutes.

Kiran Jassal (Law) seconds.

Seeing no objections, the minutes are approved.

4. GPSS SPOTLIGHT: JUDICIAL COMMITTEE 5:36 pm

Elloise Kim (Secretary) invites the Judicial Committee members to introduce themselves: John Lurie (Astronomy), Adam Bell (Education), Caleb Knapp (English), Brandon Ray (Atmospheric Sciences), and Jay Eckard (Drama).

The Judicial Committee presents several multiple-choice questions pertaining to the Bylaws for Senate members to answer as a warm up activity. They provide a Bylaws Overview and list the various articles within it. They also discuss some changes, which they will present in greater depth during the first meeting spring quarter. The most notable change is that the committees will be downsized. The Executive, Judicial, Elections, Finance and Budget, Ad Hoc, and Special Committees will remain within Article VI for they are essential to the structure and function of the GPSS, and the rest will be extracted into a memorandum respectively. This will allow the duties/responsibilities of each committee to be amended more easily to suit student needs. They have also fixed any grammatical errors and amended the gendered pronouns.

Q&A

Yasmeen Hussain (Biology) asks whether the committees will automatically be converted into memorandums or if this is something the officers will have to do every year. She expresses concern that moving things to the policy memorandum that can be approved without the Senate, will result in those committees not being taken seriously.
What is FIUTS?

- Foundation for International Understanding Through Students (FIUTS) is an independent non-profit organization affiliated with the UW campus founded in 1948 with a goal of promoting global peace and understanding by connecting global communities with the local.

- FIUTS is affiliated and partnered with the University of Washington to produce programs that help welcome and inform international students, scholars and visitors, as well as facilitate cultural transition and advocate for global diversity among local communities through a variety of ways.

- FIUTS hopes to **bridge the gap** and **promote better understanding** between the students and scholars from the US and the rest of the world. Hence it is not only just for international folks:) Everyone is welcome!

- FIUTS office is currently located in **hub 206**.
Programs

- Community Program
  Homestay, Community Potluck

- Education Program
  Partner with K-12 schools

- Student Program
  Geared towards UW students
Events

- CulturalFest, Global Gala, Wednesday Lunch
- Ballard Walking Tour, Museum of Flight Tour, Cat Cafe, Salsa Dancing
- Literature Crawl, Distillery Tour
- Hot Chocolate Run Volunteering, MLK Day Volunteering
- The World to Work

For more events: http://www.fiuts.org/events/calendar
Stats

- Over 25% of FIUTS Facilitators are domestic students.

- Over 30% of participants of FIUTS events are graduate students.
Student Board is recruiting!

-Student Board members work directly and closely with FIUTS staff

-Each quarter, a new event is created by SB

-Application deadline: April, 4
GPSS

ELECTIONS GUIDE

FOR 2016-2017 OFFICER ELECTIONS

DISTRIBUTED BY THE 2016 GPSS ELECTIONS COMMITTEE
How to run for an officer position:

**Qualify**
- Full time student at election and for 2016-2017 year
- Attend 3 GPSS Senate or committee meetings this year
- Be able to work 19.5 hrs/wk, including 8 hrs/wk in the office

**Announce**
- Complete an Officer Candidate Nomination Form (Mon. Apr 25th)
- Send a 1 page resume and a 1-2 page statement to Elections chair (Mon Apr. 25th)

**Campaign**
- All materials for online due to Elections Chair by Mon Apr. 25th
- Prepare a 2-5 minute stump speech for Elections Day
- Running from the floor is allowed; bring Candidate Nomination form

**Elections are May 4th, 2016**
How to vote:

- Ballots will be available to Senators on **April 27**th
- Email absentee ballot to Chair by **May 4**th, **2:30pm**

**Email**

- Paper absentee ballots available in GPSS office on **May 4**th, **2:30pm**
- Due by start of Senate meeting

**Paper**

- Voting will take place at Senate meeting on **May 4**th
- Results will be announced before the end of the meeting

**Senate**

Elections are **May 4**th, 2016
How does voting work?

**Rank**
- All candidates are ranked for each position
- Ballot will have extra lines in case candidates run from the floor

**Count**
- The Elections committee will count the first place rank for each position

**Instant Runoff**
- Instant runoff will occur to break ties

Elections are May 4th, 2016
Instant Run-off

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Votes: 33
Winner!
A Resolution to Protect LGBTQI Rights under Laws Against Discrimination

Kirby Conrod
Title: RESOLUTION TO PROTECT LGBTQI RIGHTS UNDER LAWS AGAINST DISCRIMINATION

Sponsored by: Kirby Conrod (Linguistics) and Adam Bell (Learning Sciences)

Written by: Kirby Conrod (Linguistics) and Erin Adam (Political Science)

Resolution Number: 06. 15-16

WHEREAS in 2006, the Washington State Legislature amended the Washington Law against Discrimination (through the Anderson-Murray Anti-Discrimination Act)\(^1\) to include sexual orientation and gender identity or expression as protected classes under the law; and

WHEREAS the Washington State Human Rights Commission (WA HRC) is the agency that administers and enforces the law, and is tasked with creating rules that provide clarity on how the law should be interpreted; and

WHEREAS this has been the duty of the Washington State Human Rights Commission since it was first established in 1949; and

WHEREAS the Commission underwent an extensive public process starting in 2012 to draft the rules regarding the 2006 amendment of the WLAD contained in Chapter 162-32 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC)\(^2\) that included public workshops and forums; and

WHEREAS in recent weeks six bills (HB 2589, HB2 2782, HB 2935, HB 2941, SB 6443, and SB 6458) have been proposed in the state legislature, and two advanced in the Senate and passed out of committee (SB 6443\(^3\) and SB 6548\(^4\)), that aim to repeal or alter a portion of these rules based on a misunderstanding of what these rules do and a lack of knowledge or awareness about the transgender community; and

WHEREAS the WA HRC rules are necessary to address unequal treatment and discrimination that the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and, in particular, the transgender community, faces in many walks of life; and

WHEREAS a nationwide study of transgender people in 2011 found that 44% experienced denial of service or equal treatment in public accommodations and 53% experienced harassment in a place of public accommodation\(^5\); and

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A Resolution Advocating for Greater Coordination among Mental Health Professionals of Differing Specialties at UW

Joseph Telegen
Title: RESOLUTION ADVOCATING FOR GREATER COORDINATION AMONG
MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS OF DIFFERING SPECIALTIES AT THE
UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

Sponsored by: Joseph Telegen (English), Giuliana Conti (Music), Matthew Childs (Germanics)
Written by: Joseph Telegen (English), Matthew Childs (Germanics)

Resolution Number: 07. 15-16

WHEREAS the need for improved mental health services at the University of Washington is
common knowledge, yet frequently lamented without reform; and

WHEREAS a recently introduced resolution in the ASUW Senate (Resolution #26 of the 22nd
Senate session; entitled “A Resolution in Support of Mental Health Resources on Campus”) acknowledges this need and details many of the specific reasons for needed mental health
reform; and

WHEREAS the aforementioned ASUW resolution focuses on increased staffing in the
university’s counseling center, as opposed to all elements of mental health professionalization at
the University of Washington; and

WHEREAS not only the counseling center, but the professionals and educators at Hall Health,
UW Medicine, and the UW Mindfulness Project (among others) are continually engaged in
efforts to promote and enhance mental health in the UW community; and

WHEREAS these assorted professionals are not continually in contact with one another due to
the variety of clients they serve1, and greater communication between these entities can only
enhance the effectiveness of the whole;

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

THAT the various communities listed above are encouraged to foster a continually interactive
mental health ecosystem at the University of Washington; and

THAT an element of this increased communicative activity will be a periodic meeting of
appointed representatives from each community (the frequency and setting of said meetings to be
decided by these representatives), discussing points of mutual interest; and

1 https://depts.washington.edu/asuwsen/ora#1LegislationView/id=158129
2 These communities will be listed in an upcoming draft of this resolution for comprehensive purposes.
3 I have, at the moment, mostly anecdotal evidence in support of this claim, such as my own experiences
communicating with the professionals at Hall Health and a recent discussion with Julia ___ from UW Mindfulness
during a Finance and Budget committee meeting, both of which attest to the lack of communication. I will lean on
Kelly Edwards to make this claim more persuasively in future drafts.
Diversity Council Blueprint

Brian Tracey
Good of the Order

All
Officer Reports

Various
Committees in need of Executive Liaisons

FCSA: Faculty Council on Student Affairs

**Purpose**

Responsible for all matters of policy relating to non-academic student affairs such as financial aid, housing, regulation of social affairs, eligibility rules, intercollegiate athletics, and general student welfare.

**Time Commitment**

1:30-3:00pm Gerberding 26

April 5, May 3, May 31 (all Tuesdays)

FCAS: Faculty Council on Academic Standards

**Purpose**

Responsible for matters of university policy relating to the academic affairs of the university, such as admissions policy, scholastic standards, university graduation requirements, and inter-institutional academic standards.

**Time Commitment**

1:30-3:00pm Gerberding 142

April 1, April 15, April 29, May 13, May 27, June 10 (all Fridays)
Announcements
Adjournment

See you next quarter!