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Introduction to GPSS

- Officer Introductions
- Committee Opportunities
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How to participate in meetings: Parliamentary Procedure
A Resolution in Support of Cake
WHEREAS cake is, in the opinion of many, among the best things in the world, edging out pie, scones, tarts, muffins, cream puffs, and cheesecake, and;
WHEREAS cake is a delectable treat, and;
WHEREAS cake is a common symbol of celebration, therefore;
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON:
THAT the GPSS wholly pledges its support for cake, and;
THAT GPSS formally requests that our Student Activities Office Advisor Rene Singleton provide a carrot cake at the final Senate meeting of the 2011-12 academic year, and;
THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to SAO Advisor Rene Singleton.
Approval of Agenda

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• Introduction
• Group Discussion
• Report Back
GPSS Committee

Appointments

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Executive Committee

The Executive Committee is responsible for advising the Officers on various issues and policies; recommending an annual budget to the Senate; approving GPSS appointments to several committees; and acting on behalf of the entire Senate whenever it is not in session, including over the summer.

Members: The four Officers, four Executive Senators and an ASUW Board of Directors member. The Executive Senators are nominated by the Officers and approved by the Senate. Nominations may also be made from the Senate floor.

Meetings: At least twice monthly, on Wednesdays at 6:00pm (Fall) or 5:30pm (winter & spring).
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**Judicial Committee**

The Judicial Committee is the standing investigative body of the GPSS and has the right to review all Bylaw amendments before they are presented to the full Senate.

**Members:** The Judicial Committee is composed of 6 Senators, **elected by majority at the first Senate meeting**, and the Secretary as a non-voting, ex-officio member.

- Voting Judicial Committee members cannot sit on any other internal GPSS committees.

- Judicial Committee members cannot run for GPSS office and must resign from their committee position at least 35 days prior to the officer election if they choose to run.

**Meetings:** At least once per quarter.
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### Finance and Budget

The Finance and Budget Committee has three primary responsibilities: 1.) Overseeing and approving the annual GPSS Budget; 2.) Allocating funding for the Special Allocation Fund (special projects funding for Registered Student Organizations); 3.) Allocating funding for the Department Allocation Fund (special funding to build student communities in the UW’s various departments).

**Members:** The Treasurer and 5-9 Senators.

**Meetings:** Thursdays at 2pm. Twice per month to once a week depending on work load.
Travel Grants Committee

The Travel Grants Committee oversees the allocation of funding to support graduate and professional students to travel to domestic and international conferences. The committee sets metrics against which to judge applications, rates applications, and decides how much funding to allocate to top scoring applications. The Committee is a great way to promote excellent research and help students build new networks between University of Washington researchers and the global academic community.

Members: GPSS Treasurer and 4-6 Senators.

Meetings: Thursdays at 4pm on: November 10, January 12, March 8, and May 10.
State Legislative Steering Committee

The State Legislative Steering Committee assists the Vice President in developing the State Legislative Agenda, which informs what issues the Vice President presents to the state legislature. Because the legislative session occurs during winter quarter, the committee will meet more frequently during fall quarter, to establish legislative priorities.

**Members:** GPSS Vice President and up to 10 graduate and professional students.

**Meetings:** At least once per quarter during the academic year.
Federal Legislative Steering Committee

The Federal Legislative Steering Committee assists the Vice President in developing the Federal Legislative Agenda, which informs what issues the Vice President presents to the U.S. Congress. To amplify the voice of UW students, GPSS has partnered with student governments at other top tier public research universities from around the country; representatives from these governments meet in late fall or early winter to establish a collective agenda. The bulk of this committee’s work occurs during fall quarter.

**Members:** GPSS President, Vice President, two SAGE delegates, and up to 3 graduate and professional students.

**Meetings:** At least once per quarter during the academic year.
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**Graduate Program Review Committee**

The Graduate Program Review Committee ensures graduate student experiences are included in the academic program review process conducted by the Graduate School. Committee members help administer a survey of graduate students enrolled in the program and participate in focus group discussions. The results of these activities are summarized and presented as reports to the Graduate School and Reviewing Committee and become part of the permanent departmental record. These reports also help the Reviewing Committee generate its final report that critically evaluates the program and sets the course for the future direction of the program.

**Members:** GPSS President (or proxy – Chief of Staff) and 6-10 Senators.

**Meetings:** At least once per quarter during the academic year.
Dispute Resolution Advisory Committee

The Dispute Resolution Advisory Committee members act as “process advocates” for students who are in disputes with other members of the university community. Members act as neutral observers for those students who request such services in the formal or informal hearing of a dispute.

**Members:** GPSS Secretary and 3-5 Senators.

**Meetings:** At least once per quarter during the academic year.
ASUW Senate Liaisons

GPSS has two Senate seats in the ASUW Senate. The Liaisons are expected to represent the graduate and professional student voice in ASUW Senate meetings.

Meetings: ASUW Senate meets Tuesdays at 5pm in Gowen 301.
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CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!

GPSS Maritime FALL SOCIAL

THURSDAY 6-10 PM OCT 13TH
Higher Education Summit

Save the Date! Friday, November 4, 2011

Who: Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS)
What: 5th Higher Education Summit
When: Friday, November 4, 2011, 8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Where: University of Washington, Kane Hall, Walker-Ames Room

This year’s summit focuses on the ability of Washington residents to attain an advanced degree at a public institution given the ever-increasing student debt burden.
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Wednesday, November 2, 2011
5:30pm
Condon Hall Room 109
Senate Meeting

November 2, 2011
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5. David Parsons - UAW
6. Bylaw Amendments
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Gerald Baldasty
Vice Provost and Dean
The Graduate School
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David Parsons
President, UAW Local 4121
Bylaw Amendments

Your GPSS officers are proposing an amendment to the Bylaws regarding election procedures.

The Executive Committee reviewed these changes and voted unanimously to recommend their adoption by the Senate.
Bylaw Amendments

ARTICLE V    OFFICERS OF THE GPSS
Section D    Duties of the Vice-President

Clause 2    Specific duties of the Vice-President shall be to:

a. Discharge the duties of the President in the President’s absence and assume the duties of the President in the event that the President vacates office;
Bylaw Amendments

ARTICLE V OFFICERS OF THE GPSS
Section G Election of GPSS Officers

Clause 5 If one of the GPSS officers (other than the President) should resign or an office should otherwise become vacant before the annual term has expired, the President, with the approval of the Executive Committee, shall appoint a temporary replacement until the GPSS, within two full Senate meetings, shall elects a permanent replacement.

a. A special announcement shall be sent to the Senators at least 14 days prior to the meeting, announcing that a replacement elections shall be taking place.
Bylaw Amendments

ARTICLE V   OFFICERS OF THE GPSS
Section G   Election of GPSS Officers
Clause 5

b. The replacement election shall be the first order of business following approval of the minutes of the previous meeting.

c. The Executive Senators shall receive nominations from the floor and conduct the balloting, and the newly elected officer shall assume office on a date specified by the Executive Committee. Such a date shall be no more than seven days after the election.
Bylaw Amendments

ARTICLE V OFFICERS OF THE GPSS
Section G Election of GPSS Officers
Clause 5

Two additions:

d. The Executive Senators shall develop replacement election rules and a replacement election packet, which shall be distributed to the GPSS at least seven days before the election.

e. In order for an Executive Senator to be an eligible candidate, he/she must recuse him/herself from all decisions and discussions governing the election.
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Friday Nov 4th, 8:30am-1:00pm, Kane Hall, Walker Ames Room
Higher Education Summit

8:30 AM Breakfast/Registration

9:00 AM GPSS Summit Begins with Welcoming Remarks: University of Washington President Michael K. Young
Higher Education Summit

9:15 AM Panel 1: Where are we presently in terms of state and federal assistance for advanced degree production at Washington’s public universities?

10:10 AM Panel 2: What is the future for Washington’s public research universities in an era of shrinking state assistance?

11:10 AM Panel 3: Attaining an Advanced Degree: Has Student Indebtedness Reached the Tipping Point?
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Higher Education Summit

12:05 PM Comments in Memory of Senator Scott White: Adam Sherman (GPSS Vice President) and Margaret Shepherd (Director of State Relations, University of Washington)

12:15 PM Closing Remarks: State Senator Derek Kilmer (D; Vice Chair, Ways & Means Committee; Economic Development, Trade & Innovation Committee; Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee)
Higher Education Summit

Conclude w/ Community Conversations

- Bring the conversation started at the end of the Higher Education Summit out to YOU.

- Start talking about the possible cuts to higher education and perhaps your depart.

- Continue collecting your stories about hardships and about the work you do...
Legislative Update

- Special Session starts November 28th
- State and Federal Legislative Steering Committees will begin meeting this month
- Town Hall Meeting in Mid December
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Lobby Day 2012

The details:

- Friday, February 3
- 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
- Transportation and lunch provided
- How do I sign up?
  - Facebook!
  - Catalyst: tinyurl.com/huskiesonthehill

Questions?

Email GPSS Legislative Aide
Connor Lieb
gpssleg@uw.edu

Fight budget cuts and make the student voice heard!
GPSS Strategic Planning

Strategic Planning Proposal Summary:
To evaluate and improve GPSS’s effectiveness, the Executive Committee proposes to create a Strategic Planning Taskforce composed of 5-10 Senators. The Taskforce will be charged with:

1.) Gathering input from constituency groups, students-at-large, Senators, and others on the effectiveness of GPSS; and

2.) Drafting recommendations for changes to the GPSS budget and Bylaws with the Executive Committee, Finance and Budget Committee, and Judicial Committee.
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**Other Key Dates:**
- January 8th: Executive Approval
- January 11th: Senate Authorizes Ad Hoc Committee
- January 16th: President Appoints Ad Hoc Committee
- January 21st: Senate Recommends Consolidation Process
- February 28th: Senate Update
GPSS Strategic Planning

The recommendations will be completed by February 28th and presented to the GPSS Executive Committee and the Senate. The Taskforce members will be appointed by the President and approved by the Executive Committee, in accordance with the GPSS Bylaws (Article VI, Section J, Clause 2). The Taskforce will function as an Ad-Hoc Committee, and as such its creation must be approved by a majority vote of the Senate (Article VI, Section J, Clause 2).
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Charles Plummer
VICE-PRESIDENT
Adam Sherman
TREASURER
Colin Goldfinch
SECRETARY
Melanie Mayock
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Speed Dating: Feb 9th
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What do YOU think of GPSS?
Graduate Student Issues at the College Level

How can students have more input with their college/school?

- College of Education: Sara Celms
- College of Nursing
- School of Public Health: Jon Huang
- College of Built Environments: Daniel Coslett
- GPSS President Charles Plummer

After the Senate Meeting: Informal Discussion.
Legislative Update

Key Issues this year:
- Shared governance
- Work study
- Child Care Matching Grant
- Program fees and “Stealth Tuition”
- Share governance still alive?
- Voter registration and drivers licenses
- The “graduate tax”
- Sales Tax?
Announcements

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Next Senate Meeting: February 29, 2012
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5. Bylaw Suspension and Election Announcement
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Bylaw Suspension and Election Announcement

**Background**

- Every May: Senate elects four officers
- Bylaws require Elections Packet:
  - Approved by Senate two months before the election, in March
  - Contains officer responsibilities, eligibility requirements, and election details

**This year:**
- Strategic Planning—changes to officer roles?
- Bylaw amendments – Senate vote April 4th
Bylaw Suspension and Election Announcement

Relevant Bylaws:
Article VI, Section E Elections Committee, Clause 2 Function
b. The Elections Committee chair shall submit the GPSS Election Packet containing the Elections Rules to the GPSS for approval at least two months before the election.

Article V, Section G, Clause 4
c. The Elections Committee shall develop Elections Rules and an Elections Packet outlining the details of the elections which shall be approved by the Senate no later than March each year. The Packet shall outline at a minimum the responsibilities of the officers, the eligibility requirements to run for office, the time and place of the elections, the procedures for voting including by absentee ballot, the minimum time allotted each candidate for speaking and answering questions, and the deadline to submit their materials in order to be listed on the website and ballot.
Bylaw Suspension and Election Announcement

Suggest Two Motions:

I move to temporarily suspend Article 6 Section E Clause 2 Letter B of the GPSS bylaws, thereby eliminating the requirement that the Elections Packet be presented to Senate 2 months before the election, with this suspension terminating following the GPSS elections meeting in May.

I move to partially suspend Article 5 Section G Clause 4 Letter C of the GPSS bylaws by altering the requirement that the Elections Packet be presented to Senate by the month of March to allow that it be presented in April, with this suspension terminating following the GPSS elections meeting in May.
Election Announcement

Considering running for an officer position?

Last year’s Election Packet
- On GPSS website (Senate/Officers/Officer Elections)
- Recognize that roles may change

Election Questions?
Elections Chair Hunter Marston: hsm4@uw.edu.
Strategic Planning Ad-Hoc Committee
aka Restructuring Committee

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Why Were We Involved?

- Interest in serving our department
- Interest in working with other G/P students
- Hopes of improving our program and G/P programs at large
- Improved functionality of this organization should help us meet all our shared `big picture goals`
What we did

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- Survey G/P students
- Survey/discussion with GPSS Senators
- Survey of Registered Student Organizations
- Survey of travel grant recipients
- Interviews with officers and committees
- Interviews with external stakeholders
- Questioned other organizations at similar universities
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Mission

The Mission of GPSS is not clearly articulated and purchase into that mission is not clear among the Senators or students.

- 43% of students surveyed do not know what GPSS does.
- 56% do not know what services it provides
- 18% of Senators are not sure what services GPSS provides or the role it plays at the university.
Resource Capacity

The budget is not currently designed to cover staff salaries and meet the needs of our constituents.

The current organization structure of GPSS is reactive and not designed to efficiently carry out its mission.

- 35% of Senators identified the need for more efficiency
- 43% of Senators identified a need for a stronger relationship between Officers, staff, committee, and constituents
Authorizers

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GPSS' ability to reach out to students could be strengthened.

- 70% of graduate students do not have experience or interaction with GPSS
- 38% of Senators identified the need for a "more significant" presence on campus.
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PROBLEMS revisited

- High Workload for Officers
- Under-utilized Senators
- Lack of outreach to student body
- Lack of communication between levels of organization
- Lack of continuity from year to year
- Lack of community, social cohesion
- NO COFFEE!

Lack of clear Mission
Resource Capacity
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Potential Recommendations
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- New Vice President of University Affairs to lighten the workload of current VP
- Decrease officer compensation to Tier 1 only
- Formation of new committees: social, lobbying, media
- Elected chairperson for each committee
- Senators should formally attend departmental orientations
- Improved orientation process for new Senators
Officer tuition waivers: 
Option 1

- Drop Tuition waiver for officers
- Use savings to hire more staff to shift workload of officers

TRADE-OFFS: disincentive for students to run for office, time spent training staff
Officer tuition waivers:
Option 2

- Decrease Officer Compensation to Tier 1
- Savings can be used to hire more staff

TRADE-OFFS: tuition waiver will still be a major expense in the budget; possible disincentive for some students from Tier 2 and 3 to run for office
Officer tuition waivers: Option 3

- Leave tuition waivers in place as is
- Executive committee remains at four members
- Focus will need to be on new committee creation

TRADE-OFFS: no new staff positions but motivation to serve as officers remains at current strength
Next Steps

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- Present recommendations to Finance and Budget Committee
- Present recommendations to Judicial Committee
- Changes to the bylaws and budget will be presented to the Senate at our next meeting, April 4th.
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Students in Olympia!

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Olympia’s Weird

- Most policy bills directly impacting grad and professional students didn’t make it
  - Shared Governance (SB 6334)
  - Student Auditing (HB 2478)

- But not all died!
  - Public comments at Regents meetings (HB 2313)
  - Financial Aid Counseling (SB 6121)
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Olympia’s Weird

- Budget allocations are major success
- Review Governor’s Proposed Budget
  - $160M in cuts to higher education
  - Suspend the State Work Study Program
  - Suspend Child Care Matching Grant
  - $7.8M in additional funds for Engineering degrees
Olympia’s Weird

House Proposed Budget
- $65M in cuts to Higher Education
- $30M in cuts to 4-year institutions
- $13.5M in cuts to UW
- $3.8M in additional funding to produce additional engineering degrees.
- Preserves State Work Study Program
- Preserves Child Care Matching Grant
- $10M in cuts to the State Need Grant
Olympia’s Weird

- Senate’s Proposed Budget Rumors:
  - Fewer cuts to higher ed than the House
  - Fewer cuts to UW than the House
  - Preserves State Work Study Program
  - Preserves State Need Grant
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Dean Searches

Hello?
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**SAGE Update**

Student Advocates for Graduate Education
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**SAGE Update**

- **Trip to D.C.**
  - March 23rd-27th

- **Key Issues**
  - Immigration
  - Federal Research Grant Funding
  - Taxation and Indebtedness
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GPSS Senate Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, April 4, 2012, 5:30pm
Location: Bagley Hall, Room 154

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Approval of Minutes

GPSS Senate Meeting – February 29, 2012
Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order
Charles Plummer, President, calls meeting to order at 5:34. Recognizes new Senators.

2. Approval of the Agenda
Eder Sousa, Aeronautics & Astronautics: Moves to approve the agenda.
Sarah Bergman, Earth and Space Sciences: Seconds.
No objections, motion passes.

3. Approval of the Minutes
Yasmeen Hussain, Biology: Moves to approve the minutes from the Feb 1, 2012, meeting.
Michael Hutchins, Earth and Space Science: Seconds.
No objections, motion passes.

4. UW-Tech Wi-Fi update/STF Surplus
Charles Plummer, President: Introduces guest speakers from UW-IT. He notes that the Executive Committee will be voting next week to approve STF money for the project about to be discussed. Charles can field any additional questions after the talk.

The floor is taken by David Morton, director of mobile technology for UW-IT, and Colleen Butler, project manager for the Wi-Fi refresh project. David and Colleen provide the following presentation:

This project of updating Wi-Fi throughout campus is now in its second year, rolling into its 3rd in July. They need to update this technology to new meet standards. The goal is to upgrade the network to 802.11n. This allows more users on the network and gives better coverage. It also allows the expansion of network coverage, geographically.

Funding is being provided on Seattle campus by the UW Technology Recharge Fee (paid by departments) and Student Technology Fee surplus funds. $1 million in funding was received for this process last year. The whole process is expected to cost around $4 million. They asked for the student portion to pay for about 1/3 of the cost, when students are about 5% of the users on the network.

The upgrade is necessary because of the demand. Usage is doubling about every 12 months. More and more devices are on the network—on average 2.5 devices per user. Five years is an average re-fresh cycle. This seems to fit well within technology cycles and new developments in technology as well. Of course, all of the new technologies are backwards compatible. Now, we see about 65,000 unique handheld devices on the network, which is a lot for 40,000 students. 140,000 unique devices, in total, are visible on the network as well.

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### GPSS Proposed Budget FY2013

#### Revenues

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#### Notes:
- Includes expenses for events, travel, and subscription fees.

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#### Notes:
- Includes costs for office supplies, postage, and architectural services.

For a complete view, refer to the attached documents.
## GPSS Budget

### President's Fund

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**Notes:**
- Total allocation: 10,000
- Notes re: new programs and President's fund
- For travel to the GPSS President's conference in 2023, total: $1,000

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**Notes:**
- Total allocation: 17,620
- Notes re: new programs and Vice President's fund
- For travel to the GPSS Vice President's conference in 2023, total: $1,000
# GPSS Budget

## Treasurer's Fund

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**Total Allocation:**

|        | $1,761 | $35,124 | $10,173 |

*Notes:
1. See rates are 90/25 percentages per month. Semester 7 did not have 3 months. School year 13 did not have 3 months.
2. Balanced per requirement. Final line for balances.*

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- Travel Grants Committee
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Olympia:
Hey, its better than Congress!

• Governor has signed a host of bills including:
  – **HB 2313** – Concerning the meeting procedures of the Board of Regents.
  – **HB 2483** – Creating the Office of the Student Achievement Council.
  – **SB 6486** – Granting collective bargaining for postdoctoral researchers at UW and WSU
  – **SB 6121** – Requiring financial aid counseling curriculum at all higher education institutions.
Olympia:
Hey, it's better than Congress!

- Special Session is still in progress until budget passes (perhaps by April 10th).
- Current proposal would keep sales-tax revenue collected on behalf of local governments in the state's general fund longer. Could free up $238 million for spending elsewhere.
- Other issues still in play.
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Hey, it’s better than... I’ll get back to you.

• GPSS Delegation to Washington, D.C.:
  – Kelsey Knowles – UW Student Regent
  – Kiana Scott – GPSS Policy Analyst
  – Adam Sherman – Registered Lobbyist :-

• Met with the offices of:
  – Senator Cantwell
  – Senator Murray
  – Congressman Reichert
  – Congresswoman Herrera Beutler
  – Congressman McDermott
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- Issues covered during meetings:
  - Immigration reform
    - H1-B Visa cap removal or exemption
    - Single-Entry F1 Visa reform
  - Federal Research Grants
    - NIH, NSF, GAANS, JAVITS, Fulbright-Hays, and others
  - Student Debt and Certain Tax issues
    - Many bills dealing with this issue
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Charles calls the meeting to order at 5:36pm.

2. Approval of the Agenda
Kiana Scott (Evans) moves to approve the agenda. Eddie Schwieterman (Astronomy) seconds. None opposed. Motion passes.

3. Approval of the Minutes
Buddy Rutzke (Law) moves to approve the minutes from February 29, 2012. Yasmeen Hussain (Biology) seconds. None opposed. Motion passes.

4. Finance and Budget Committee: Call for Volunteers
Colin Goldfinch (Treasurer) announces there are two vacant seats on F&B committee until end of quarter. Meetings are not longer than an hour. If interested, email him. Small amount of money to give out for departmental allocations. Edward Schwieterman (Astronomy) is interested.

5. Spring Social: Call for Volunteers
Colin Goldfinch (Treasurer) invites senators to participate as volunteers at the Spring Social on April 12th. Ted Chen (Bioengineering) is interested. Also Ryan Shanderay (in Law school, not a senator) and Will Arighi (Comparative Literature).

6. GPSS Budget
Colin Goldfinch (Treasurer) walks through the budget proposal, which has been recommended by F&B, Exec Committee and Restructuring Task Force. Once it is approved it goes to the Services and Activities Fee (SAF) committee. Total budget is pending allocation from SAF.
Resolution in Support of UAW 4121 Bargaining Efforts
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Sponsored by: Jean Dinh (Medicinal Chemistry), Charles Plummer (GPSS President), Trond Nilsen (Industrial and Systems Engineering), Nicolas Can (Applied Mathematics), Louis Harding (Aquatic and Fishery Sciences), Michael Hutchins (Earth and Space Sciences), Nathaniel McVear (Electrical Engineering), Mitchell Kaufman (Philosophy), Ruize Yu (Civil and Environmental Engineering), Ted Ullen (Bioengineering), Allen Denny (Oceanography), Marvin Lai (Pathology), Edgar Soares (Aerospace & Astronautics), Kevin Cummings (Educational Psychology), Kevin Fox (Genome Sciences), Adriamé Sussman (Psychology), Henry Hunter (Biology), Heather Arvidson (English), Marion Beatty (Native American Studies), Indira Buremuz (Foundation for International Understanding Through Students), Jula Meeks (Sociology), Aaron Zumbman (Statistics), Tobias Greuther (Germanics), Kaia Scott (Public Affairs), David Scoville (Public Health – Environmental and Occupational Health), Jonathan Huang (Epidemiology), Megan Gains (Oceanography), Adam Sherman (Vice President), and Colin Goldfisch (Treasurer)

Written by: Jean Dinh (Medicinal Chemistry)

Resolution Number: 01_17-12
Resolution Number: 01.11.13

WHEREAS UAW Local 4121 represents approximately 4,500 graduate and undergraduate Academic Student Employees (ASEs) at the University of Washington (UW), many of whom are constituents of the Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS); and

WHEREAS ASEs (Teaching Assistants, Research Assistants, Tutors, Graders and others performing similar work) are responsible for much of the critical frontline work that makes the UW an internationally recognized institution of higher education; and

WHEREAS ASEs conduct research that is critical to $1.5 billion in grants and contract revenue at the University, make the curriculum more accessible by providing over half of the instructional contact hours to the 36,552 undergraduates who attend UW, and help to make UW competitive in attracting first-rate students and faculty from all over the world; and

WHEREAS investment in ASE positions helps the University achieve its core missions and helps thousands of students improve their time-to-degree; and

WHEREAS tuition and fee increases have uniquely affected this critical workforce; and

WHEREAS mandatory, unwaived tuition/fees are a condition of employment and therefore an integral part of an ASE’s overall compensation package, such that increases result in a de facto pay cut; and

WHEREAS lower compensation for ASEs hurts the University’s ability to remain competitive, such that UW is now second-to-last in overall compensation for graduate employees compared to other flagship institutions in the Global Challenge states, and

WHEREAS the cost of waiting fees for TAs/RAs not paid by grants is equivalent to less than one-half of one percent of the UW operating budget, and

WHEREAS the budget for grants and contracts, which funds approximately 60% of ASEs, has increased by $383 million dollars since FY 2000, with continuing grants already budgeting annual increases for ASEs, and

WHEREAS the Washington State legislature – in response to action by GPSS, ASUW, UAW 4121, and various other higher education stakeholders – did not make any further cuts to the higher education budget for the 2012 fiscal year, and

WHEREAS the lack of sufficient family-friendly policies prevents ASEs, disproportionately women, from entering or remaining in the academic workforce, and

WHEREAS Local 4121 members voted overwhelmingly (99%) in favor of the bargaining agenda.
Resolution in Support of UAW 4121 Bargaining Efforts

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

THAT GPSS supports the efforts of the UAW Local 4121 bargaining team and their proposals for improving ASE overall compensation and standards of living; improving health care benefits to protect ASEs from extraordinary costs and adequately cover vulnerable and under-represented populations; improving childcare and leave benefits to increase access to higher education; and maintaining or increasing instructional funding to support ASEs; and

THAT GPSS urges the UW Administration and the University bargaining committee to come quickly to a fair agreement on the new contract that prioritizes access and quality at UW; and

THAT this resolution be forwarded to UW President Michael Young; UW Provost Anna Maria Cauce; the UW Board of Regents; Mindy Kornberg, Vice President for Human Resources; Peter Denis, Assistant Vice President of Labor Relations; and David Parsons, UAW Local 4121 President

Presented to GPSS for approval on May 1, 2012
Approved on

http://www.washington.edu/research/gpss/minutes/minutesSummarySummary_AprilMay_2012.pdf
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PACS Report of Activities (13 meetings)
- Studied Undergraduate Differential Tuition Policy
  - Reviewed ASUW Senate Resolution R-18-20
  - Reviewing College of Engineering differential tuition proposal
  - Studied and developed safeguards in the event of differential tuition implementation

- Developed official Budget Principles
  - Monitored and received updates from the offices of Financial Aid (Kay Lewis) as well as Planning and Budgeting (Paul Jenny & Sarah Hall)

- Budget Process
  - Reviewed University Units’ Budget Narratives and provided Provost with concerns
  - Noted growth of consolidated program fees in lieu of tuition increases (e.g. College of Built Environment tech fee at $150/qtr)

- Reviewed International Student Fee and provided official recommendations
  - Evaluated an alternative income based repayment funding model for the UW developed by the EOI (Economic Opportunity Institute).
International Student Fee Timeline

- Very accelerated, informed in early April
- April 9th first meeting, saw proposals from units, Provost asked 4 questions:
  - Should there be a fee?
  - What units should be supported?
  - How much should it cost?
  - How should the fee be levied?
- PACS was created for situations like this
  - Analyze proposed policies and give recommendations back to the Provost
International Student Fee Timeline

• April 19\textsuperscript{th}, second meeting of committee
  – Of constituencies represented, students were the only ones publically opposed to an immediate implementation of fee, had grave concerns with current proposals.

• Next day, Provost informed PACS she decided to table fee
  – Implementation was occurring too quickly
  – Needed more concrete proposals
  – Gave PACS credit for raising important issues and cautions
Summary of PACS Recommendations

• Instating a catch-all international student fee would not be prudent in the near term
  – Further study in student life and academic support areas is needed.

• ISS: compelling needs, but fee not necessary
  – $262,000 should be found elsewhere to expand office

• Academics: blanket fee problematic
  – Language proficiency: widely disparate levels of assistance needed by international students, yet all would pay same fee.
  – General academic support services: targeted course fees or tuition dollars seem more prudent.
• Student Life: counseling, disability resources, career center, CSSC (Student Conduct).
  – Appears to be need among all students, hesitant on fee for subsection of user base.
  – Additional resources need to be further specified
• Overall, PACS agrees there is need among the international student population in academic and student life support
  – “More time is necessary to properly identify the scope of the need and to untangle the structural deficits that have led to reduced service capacity for all students seeking support through student life and other units.”
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** We will have pizza at this meeting!
GPSS Senate Meeting May 2, 2012
Meeting Minutes

1 – Call to Order
Charles Plummer calls the meeting to order at 5:39pm.

2 – Approval of the Agenda
Melanie Maycock moves to change item 4 on the agenda. The sponsor should be listed as Jean Dinh (Medicinal Chemistry Senator).
Ted Chen (Biengineering): Seconds the change.
Kimberly Schertz (Law): Moves to approve the new agenda
No Objections. The motion passes.

3 – Approval of the Minutes from the April 4 Senate Meeting
Mateo Banegas (Public Health – Health Services): Moves to approve the minutes
No objections. The motion passes.

4 – Resolution in Support of UAW 4121 Bargaining Efforts
Jean Dinh (Medicinal Chemistry) is on the board for UAW 4121. They are currently undergoing contract negotiations. This resolution is very similar to what has been presented before because they are in a multi-year negotiation with UW. This resolution outlines GPSS’s support for these negotiating efforts.
Questions?
Trond Nilsen (Industrial Engineering): Moves to approve the resolution.
No objections. The resolution is adopted.

5 – Call to Action on Student Loans
Adam Sherman (Vice President): Some may have heard of news regarding undergraduate student loans. The interest rate will be going up from 3ish to 6ish percent. If you are wondering why yours are already around 6 percent, it’s because these special federal rates were only for undergraduates. Renegotiations in August for lowering the deficit in the US congress led to grad students losing all subsidized loans. This is bad for grad students, bad for WA’s economy. Any new loans for graduate students after July 1st will no longer be subsidized, which means you will be accruing interest while you are in school. There will be a call to action in a few days and we will ask you to contact WA representatives about this. I’d be happy to answer any questions about what has happened or what could happen.

Matt Souza (Business Administration): Didn’t Patty Murray come to campus to discuss this?
Adam Sherman: She came to talk about the undergraduate interest rates going up. For undergrads, there is no question about whether that rate is going to stay low. The question is how they are going to fund that low rate. Republicans and Democrats are fighting over how it will be funded. Everyone is in favor of it, though.
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Amendment to GPSS 2012 State Legislative Agenda
Proposed by Melanie Mayock, Secretary
For consideration at May 30, 2012 GPSS Senate Meeting

Proposal: Add the following statement to the GPSS 2012 State Legislative Agenda:
“GPSS supports policies at the local and state level that improve affordable and accessible
transportation options for UW students. Maintaining convenient transit service to the University is a
priority.”

Why amend the Agenda now?
The State Legislative Agenda is an expression of the policies GPSS supports. Once the agenda is adopted
by the Senate each fall, it is valid until the next agenda is adopted. Amending the agenda now to include
support of transit service will give the incoming Vice President more authority to work on the issue of
transit funding this summer and fall.

Why an amendment on transit?
Transit service to the UW could be at risk in a year or so if action is not taken by the Washington
legislature next year. In 2011 the state authorized and King County approved a temporary two-year fee
to help maintain bus service in King County. Without action by the legislature, this fee will expire and
Metro may be forced to make major cuts in service. (Community Transit and Pierce Transit have both
cut 30-40% of their transit service in the past two years.) Transit service is critical to UW graduate
students; GPSS should be a strong voice in support of transit funding.

Who supports this amendment?
The GPSS State Legislative Committee voted at its May 15th meeting to recommend the Senate adopt
this amendment.

Questions? Contact Melanie Mayock: gpsssec@uw.edu, (206) 724-9803.
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Title: RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE TO ESTABLISH AN AUTUMN 2012 AD HOC COMMITTEE ON GPSS TRAVEL GRANTS

Sponsored by: Amber Trout (Built Environments), Trond Nilsen (Industrial and Systems Engineering), Nitya Venkateswaran (Educational Leadership and Policy Studies), Bonnie Lau (Speech and Hearing Sciences), Adrienne Meyer (Public Affairs), Daniel Coslett (Built Environments)

Written by: Daniel Coslett (Built Environments) Resolution Number: 02.11-12
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What his parents think he does

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Have a Great Summer!
Congratulations to all 2012 graduates