

SENATE MEETING

FEB. 10TH, 2016

Call to Order

Alex Bolton



Approval of the Agenda

Alex Bolton

GPSS Senate Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, February 10, 2016 5:30 pm

HUB 334

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13	Adjourn	Alex Bolton	Action	1



Approval of the Minutes

Alex Bolton

1. CALL TO ORDER: 5:37 pm

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

5:38 pm

John Lurie (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

5:39 pm

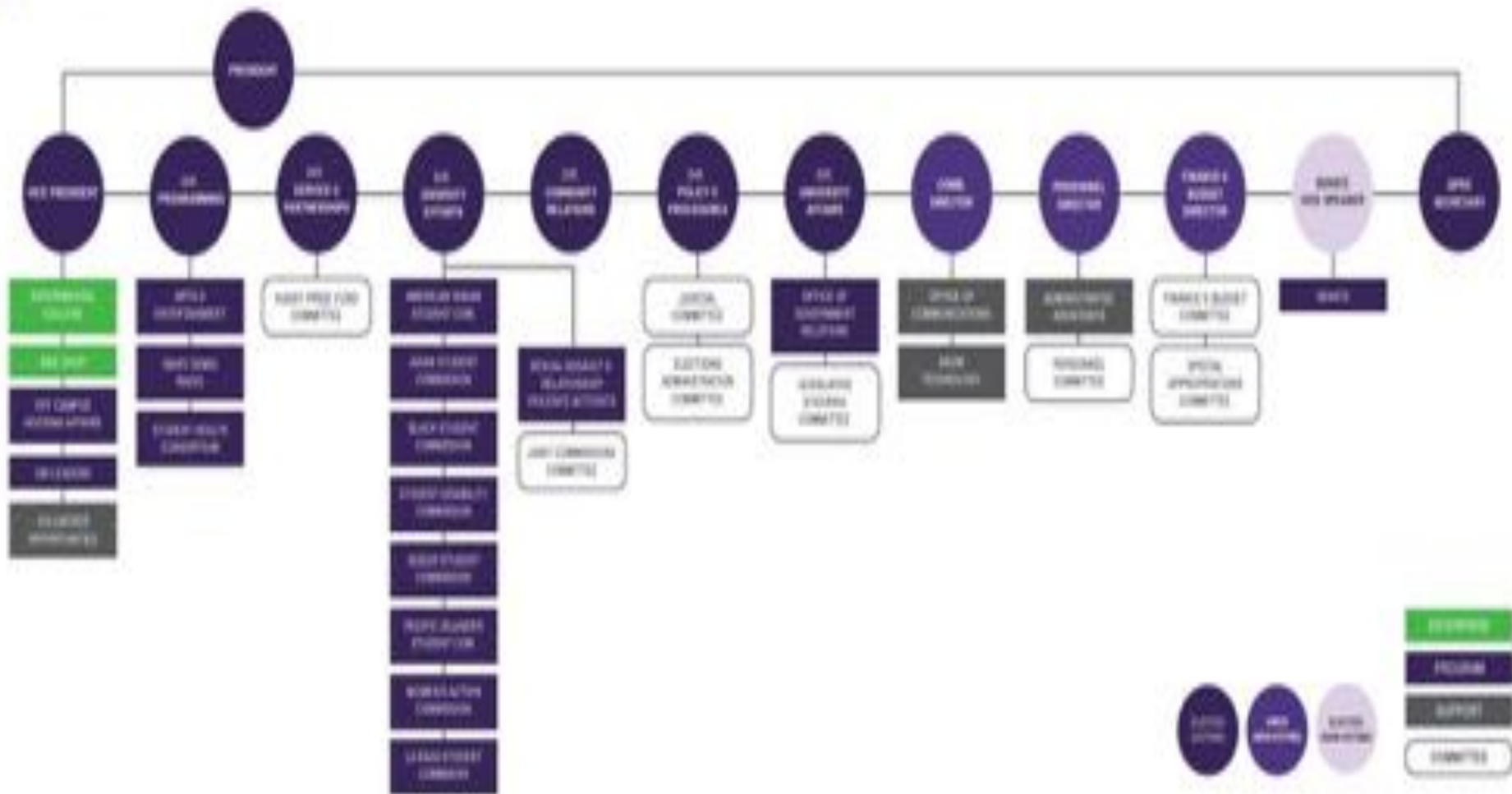
Brian Taubeneck (Vice President of External Affairs) shares that he has been down in Olympia lobbying and writing bills all quarter. He is trying to get the state to do a study on a State Loan Program for graduate students that would be at a lower interest rate than Graduate Plus Loans. They have a sponsor in both the House (Republican) and the Senate (Democrat). Marco Lias (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



GPSS Spotlight:
ASUW Board of Directors

Elloise Kim

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



Muslim Student Association

Monica Cortes Viharo


MSAUW PRESENTS

FAITH TALKS

MILLENNIALS IN AMERICA

FEB. 19th, Friday
5-8 pm
UW Tower

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



Elections Timeline

Elloise Kim

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, 5:30p.m.

Last day to file challenges to the impartiality of the independent witnesses

Wednesday, May 4, 2016

- **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, 5:30p.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

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
April 25	April 26	April 27	April 28	April 29	April 30	May 1
5:30 pm last day to file your nominatio n	candidate informatio n published					
May 2	May 3	May 4	May 5	May 6	May 7	May 8
5:30pm last day to file challenge s to the impartialit y		Officer Elections		5:30 pm last day to file challenge s to the Elections		



**Elections Committee
Election**

Elloise Kim

Winter Social

Sarah Loeffler

#TBTYOUR
ALMA MATER
FOR GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS



THURSDAY | FEB 18TH, 2016
HUB GAMES AREA
7:30-10:30PM

COME REPRESENT YOUR ALMA MATER WITH FREE
FOOD, DRINKS, AND GAMES WITH YOUR HUSKY GRADS!
Don't forget your **Husky ID** and **government-issued ID!**

Contact gppsevt@uw.edu for questions.

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**A Resolution Requesting That
the UW Honors State Holidays**

Alex Bolton

1 Title: **RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON**
2 **HONORS STATE HOLIDAYS**

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4 Sponsored by: Alex Bolton, GPSS President

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6 Written by: Alex Bolton, GPSS President

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8 Resolution Number: 04. 15-16

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10 WHEREAS the University of Washington (UW) is a state institution; and

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12 WHEREAS the UW observes state holidays as University holidays; and

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14 WHEAREAS the UW academic calendar clearly indicates University holidays; and

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16 WHEREAS some faculty currently compensate for missed class time due to University holidays
17 with inappropriate actions such as scheduling classes on the aforementioned holiday (essentially
18 ignoring the holiday), scheduling class during the weekend, and providing insufficient notice on
19 these unofficial and unsanctioned class times; and

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21 WHEREAS students may feel intimidated to protest such moves by faculty; and

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23 WHEREAS students need to know when all classes are scheduled in order to avoid conflict with
24 other classes and commitments,

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

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29 THAT no classes shall be scheduled on state holidays; and

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31 THAT no classes scheduled during the week can have make up classes scheduled on a weekend,
32 unless denoted in the time schedule as of Registration Period I; and

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34 THAT all scheduled class meeting times must appear in the time schedule as of Registration
35 Period I; and

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37 THAT copies of this resolution be sent to University of Washington President Ana Mari Cauce,
38 Provost Gerald Baldasty, ASUW President Tyler Wu, ASUWT President Sophie Nop, and
39 ASUWB President Dominick Juarez.

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41 *Presented to GPSS for approval on February 10, 2016*

42 *Approved on*

A Resolution in Support of
the University of Washington
Hosting Tent City III

Justin Bare

1 Title: **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON**
2 **HOSTING TENT CITY III**

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4 Sponsored by: Justin Bare (Computer Science and Engineering)

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6 Written by: Justin Bare (Computer Science and Engineering)

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8 Resolution Number: 05. 15-16

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10 WHEREAS access to shelter is a fundamental human right and should be facilitated by any
11 society that claims to care for the welfare of its members; and

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13 WHEREAS Mayor Ed Murray signed a Proclamation of Civil Emergency and Executive
14 Constantine signed a Local Proclamation of Emergency in November 2015 to address the
15 growing homelessness crisis in the Seattle metropolitan area; and

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17 WHEREAS Seattle City Councilmembers recognize that additional outreach, mental health
18 services, and shelter are vital to reduce the long term problem of homelessness¹; and

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20 WHEREAS according to a King County Survey, an estimated 10,047 people are homeless on
21 any given night in 2015²; and

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23 WHEREAS in 2016 the annual One Night Count found 4,505 sleeping outside without shelter in
24 Seattle, a 19% increase from 2015³; and

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26 WHEREAS over 7,000 people in King County are faced with finding shelter night after night, or
27 are on waiting lists for transitional housing programs⁴; and

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29 WHEREAS on a single night in 2012 at least 214 children and 152 adults looking for shelter
30 were turned away⁵; and

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32 WHEREAS less than 5% of all apartments in King County are affordable to households earning
33 less than 30% of median income (\$26,400 for a family of four)⁶; and

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35 WHEREAS Tent City III offers a temporary fix to the problem of homelessness in King County
36 by providing temporary housing to those without shelter for a minimal cost; and

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38 WHEREAS Tent City III is part of King County's largest shelter network, which is organized by

¹<http://murray.seattle.gov/murray-constantine-city-council-declare-emergency-announce-new-investments-to-respond-to-homelessness/#hash.3WOBXhd.dpbs>

² http://www.homelessinfo.org/what_we_do/one_night_count/2015_results.php

³ http://homelessinfo.org/what_we_do/one_night_count/2016_results.php

⁴ http://www.homelessinfo.org/what_we_do/one_night_count/2015_results.php

⁵ http://www.homelessinfo.org/resources/publications/FTAS/2012-SKCC-FTAS-Summary-2012_0718.pdf

⁶ <http://www.seattle.gov/Documents/Departments/OFE/AboutTheLevy/EarlyLearning/SeattleCommunityNeedsAssessment2014byJMA082514.pdf>

Communication between the GPSS and Graduate Student Organization/Government

Alex Bolton

Good of the Order

All



Officer Reports

Various



Announcements

All

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Adjournment

Next Meeting: Feb. 24th