

Graduate and Professional Student Senate

Executive Meeting Minutes Session 12

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Members Present:

GPSS President Soh Yeun (Elloise) Kim
GPSS Vice President of Internal Affairs Sarah Loeffler
GPSS Vice President of External Affairs James Moschella
GPSS Treasurer Michaella Rogers
GPSS Secretary Randy Siebert
GPSS Executive Senator Peder Digre
GPSS Executive Senator Laura Taylor
ASUW Director of Internal Policy Taylor Beardall

Call to Order 5:35 pm

Approval of Agenda

5:35 pm

Michaella Rogers Moves to approve the agenda as amended.

Randy Siebert Seconds.

Approval of Minutes

5:36 pm

Michaella Rogers Moves to approve the Minutes as presented.

Randy Siebert Seconds.

GPSS FY18 Budget

5:36 pm

Elloise Kim: Just to give a heads up to people in this room. The officers had a conversation as a way to recommend changes in line items and the amount of money given to each line item. If we saw there was any reason for changes. Some of the changes have been reflected in the current version you are seeing. This time right now is more for Executive members and Taylor to ask questions.

Michaella Rogers: This paper shows any major changes made. Small Increase in office supply budget to covered increased costs. Would like to increase an officer's materials line item that they had FY16 it covers photos for the office and photosessions. Staff and educational opportunities will be decreased a little, they don't thin they need as much money for that. Arts and entertainment will be decreased back down to 5,000 dollars for the next year, they are working with A&E to get more graduate student representation in the planning of this years

spring show. They do have the funding required to cover our decrease in funding next year. She also heard from a lot of our constituents that they would like to see more non-social events for Graduates so we have a line item for that. Also, they increased the budget for husky sunrise and sunset because of increased attendance and cost, also we may have to pay part of the tent cost in the upcoming year. One of the major reasons we are able to hold Husky Sunrise is because that tent is already there from the presidential breakfast.

Elloise Kim: Currently we have been getting \$30,000 dollars from the provost for the last three years. 20,000 has been used for Husky Sunrise, and \$10,000 dollars were used for Husky Sunset. Last year Husky sunset had an increased attendance so they needed to rework the budget to cover those costs. So this years they are asking for more money to cover the increase in attendance for those events.

Michaella Rogers: Bascially we are asking for more money for those events that are getting more expensive. For Vice President of Internal Affiars for the summits line item they are removing and renaming that. That was covering some programing and the Science and Policy committee fund. They will split that line item and also asking for an additional \$1,000 dollars for professional development programming because that is something they have tried to focus on this year and they feel they can really provide that service to graduate students. We have survey data that suggests what students may like to see more professional development programming. For the president they want to increase the president's programming budget, every year the president makes and organizes a big project. The presidents programming budget increase aligns with the mission of creating non-social Graduate events and programming for consituents. The Vice President of External affairs gets a \$1,000 increase in their budget to pay for the legislative Affairs director cost for going to the SAGE conference in Washington DC and also to a SAGE event in the fall that has a rotating location. For secretary they are going to slightly decrease the diversity fund ask because they haven't had the ability to use those funds fully in the past. They are asking for a small decrease.

They are removing the marketing line item because they believe it is econcompassed in other places in the buget. For personnel, they removed the nformation specialist job and next year they do intend to hire a director of communications as well as increase the budget specialists hours because they have a lot of administrative work. Overall, they want to put on programming specifically for Graduate students, they are asking for a small budget increase of about \$2,600 dollars overall.

Elloise Kim: The Executive board doesn't have to approve this, this is purely informational.

Michaella Rogers: The Executive board does have to approve this. (Changes agenda item from informational to actionable.)

Peder Digre: There is the Science and Policy fund, that's a new line item?

Michaella Rogers: That was previously encompassed in the summits budget which was \$6,000 dollars and we wanted to get more specific in getting a line item for that.

Sarah Loeffler: Before Science and Policy only had a summit not a continual project like they are doing now. Thus they were grouped together with another educational summit budget so they just separated it out because Science and Policy has moved beyond a budget.

Peder Digre: With the summit, are you suggesting that is how much The Science and Policy Steering committee will spend this year, \$4,000 dollars?

Sarah Loeffler: This year the budget was \$6,000 dollars and we worked hard to get co-sponsors to help pay for events. They have helped pay for most of many events, and we see that being a continuing thing. We don't need the full \$6,000 if we continue co-sponsors, which we want to do.

Michaella Rogers: They, Science and Policy Steering Committee have been really good at getting outside funding but the budget gives them some leeway in case they can't get as much outside funding next year.

Lizzie Palmer (ASUW): There has been some conversation about making the relationship between ASUW and GPSS more separate. She understands the A&E budget, and she personally doesn't think a relationship should be formed in a budget. ASUW can completely figure out funding for A&E but the conversation about the relationship between ASUW and GPSS should be had separately for the budget. If some people think the budget separation is a symbol of ASUW and GPSS separation, consider that some of your constituents could be hurt by the separation of GPSS from ASUW. Also, the reason we have Taylor and Randy as liaisons to GPSS and ASUW respectively is to communicate between the two units and we should utilize those positions more.

Elloise Kim: It was just last year that A&E budget was increased by 5,000 dollars which used to be another line item under the Vice President of Internal Affairs. It was just a one time budget change and we are now going back to the FY16 budget format for the A&E budget so she doesn't think that it reflects a separation between ASUW and GPSS.

Michaella Rogers: In the budget documents last year, it was specifically stated that the increase was to promote ASUW and GPSS collaboration. Thinks that everyone agrees that best way to promote collaboration is not to increase money given by GPSS to ASUW in the budget.

Lizzie Palmer (ASUW): In the past it has been a way to ensure ASUW and GPSS collaborate but doesn't think that should be how collaboration between the two units are facilitated. So she thinks keeping that there or taking it away should not reflect the relationship between the two groups.

Michaella Rogers: She left the \$5,000 dollars for A&E as a way for GPSS to be more involved in the planning of the event but not necessarily sustaining the event.

Laura Taylor: Moves to approve the FY18 budget.

Elloise Kim: She just read the bylaws it seems that the Executive just reviews and recommend the budget.

Michaella Rogers: It specifically stated that Executive Board needs to approve the FY18 budget in the budget documents she had through voting.

Peder Digre: But we can recommend it because we can't approve it. The Senate has to approve it.

Michaella Rogers: Yes.

Laura Taylor Moves to recommend the FY18.

Sarah Loeffler Seconds.

Partnership with ASUW

5:48 pm

Elloise Kim: Would like to invite Lizzie to the table. Taylor and Lizzie are here representing ASUW. For context when the A&E budget line item became part of our conversation, and when Randy questioned the ASUW and GPSS relationship in Board of Regents meeting a few months ago, they also touched the issue in the last meeting. The GPSS executive board came to a conclusion about how to deal with the budget. However, it seems that ASUW has some questions and clarifications that they need to hear from us. They are here to learn how we can consolidate and clarify the relationship between ASUW and GPSS.

Taylor Beardall: What has brought up feelings of negativity within GPSS towards ASUW, and what exactly does GPSS want from ASUW?

Elloise Kim: There is some confusion on our side. ASUW says that they are working for Graduate students, however Graduate students are not always included.

Lizzie Palmer (ASUW): Graduate students understand what its like to be Undergraduates, but Undergraduates don't know what its like to be Graduate students. Thinks those concerns would be better brought up when something is ongoing not after the fact.

Elloise Kim: We all acknowledge that its hard for Undergraduates to understand Graduate student life and needs. We come with understanding but if guys can share some examples about where we could better communicate about our needs that would be helpful.

Taylor Beardall: What is the ultimate outcome, what do you guys want? Do you want full separation from ASUW?

Elloise Kim: That is not what we want at all, there are many areas where Graduate students do benefit from ASUW and we really appreciate it. When two bodies are working together well then doing business for students is easier.

Laura Taylor: She has no idea what is going on, she was never aware of negative feelings between the two bodies. She has no idea where ill will, if there is any, is coming from.

Taylor Beardall: She doesn't necessarily mean negativity but she has sensed a lot of frustration in GPSS at ASUW and she was under the impression that GPSS wanted to split from ASUW.

Laura Taylor: Are ASUW and GPSS one entity? She thought they were two separate entities.

Sarah Loeffler: We are separate entities, but ASUW represents GPSS.

Taylor Beardall: In the ASUW constitution it says they represent Graduate students and Undergraduate students. She was under the impression that GPSS wanted to take that out of the constitution.

Elloise Kim: That is why Graduate students can vote in the ASUW elections. Maintaining the current relationship is more beneficial for Graduate students. We don't have enough resources and there are more benefits in continuing the relationship with ASUW and making the relationship smooth.

Laura Taylor: Do you have Graduate student representation on your committees and boards?

Lizzie Palmer (ASUW): We have appointments where we can appoint Graduate students. There are opportunities where Graduate students can be representatives. If Graduate representation was taken out of the constitution they couldn't apply for GPSS jobs or be on committees.

Taylor Beardall: Also, Randy does sit on the ASUW board of directors. It's the same type of relationship.

Elloise Kim: Randy is a liaison to the ASUW Senate.

Sarah Loeffler: Is our liaison a voting member at the ASUW Board meetings?

Taylor Beardall: Randy is a voting member.

Randy Siebert: At the board but not at the ASUW Senate.

Taylor Beardall: You are a voting member at the Senate as well.

Randy Siebert: Nick said I was not a voting member at the Senate.

Taylor Beardall: She knows for sure that the Graduate appointee to the Senate is a voting member.

Austin Wright-Pettibone (Student Regent): There are two graduate liaisons from GPSS to the ASUW senate that are voting members.

Elloise Kim: Currently they are having a hard time getting a 2nd liaison that can go to the GPSS meetings regularly.

Austin Wright-Pettibone: Historically one liaison was the GPSS secretary and the other was an appointee. GPSS also hires Undergraduates so the relationship does go both ways.

Elloise Kim: If you want some examples, she can be a spokesperson. There is a feeling that both entities are competing against each other to fill liaison positions. GPSS does not have an open selection system like ASUW does and GPSS had a hard time filling our seats and they learned that there were a good number of Graduate students applying for liaison positions in ASUW because ASUW do a better job at promoting liaison positions in the beginning of the year. They personally hoped that those people could be referred to GPSS so GPSS could get them as their

liasons because they had a hard time filling seats. Its not necessarily good for ASUW either because it's not possible for them to have an Undergraduate liasion certain committees. Also, in the beginning of the year there were many protests around the TA issue, and they hoped that ASUW could step up more for that. However, it may have been understood as soley a GPSS issue. We also should have communicated more that we wanted ASUW's support.

Lizzie Palmer (ASUW): You are alluding to tuition? (TA cuts). Those issues are why Randy sits on the ASUW board. When we present issues that you may not be in support of that is when you voice your point of view and we would be reminded that we are supposed to represent Graduates and Undergraduates. The big issue is communication, and having the voices spoken up when there is an issue.

Taylor Beardall: She sees GPSS, as being formed to be an auxillary unit to make sure Graduates are reprsented because they are an underrepresented voice. Hates to keep pushing back however with your comment on how you felt that ASUW was competing with Graduate students for liasion poisitions, she feels badly about that. However, one of the things they talked about during her board meetings is they could do a better job at referring people to GPSS, but they can't refuse people from applying to be an ASUW liasion.

Elloise Kim: Thinks that's really not an issue. However, in the beginning before she could communicate better with Kaitlyn through Randy. Until that point three or four Graduate students were not aware that GPSS had liasion positions as well.

Taylor Beardall: Do we discredit a person's applicaiton when they are a Gradute student?

Randy Siebert: We are asking you to pass along the information to us when Graduate students apply for ASUW liasonships so that we can get ahold of them.

Taylor Beardall: The way we do a liasionship applicitions is that we do it completely subjectively. So if we were to say we won't appoint you but you can go to GPSS, to her that violates there policy.

Randy Siebert: Don't disqualify them but send there names to GPSS so GPSS can reach out to them and ask them if they want to be liaisons for GPSS instead of ASUW.

Taylor Beardall: We would love to do that, but we can't disqualify them for being Graduate students.

Laura Taylor: Don't disqulify them just because they are Graduate students, but just let them know that there is a Graduate liasionship position open with GPSS as well.

Taylor Beardall: She can pass that information along to the office of volunteer activities and make sure Graduate applicants get an email if the ASUW liasionship they are applying for also exists in GPSS.

Randy Siebert: We want to push what GPSS does more, and we don't have resources or the body that ASUW has. So using you as an ally to help further GPSS mission is what they want to see more of.

Taylor Beardall: The Board doesn't really facilitate, we have an office that facilitates volunteer activities. If there is someone who does Graduate student stuff we could talk to them about this issue.

Michaella Rogers: It would be helpful if at the beginning of everybody's term if everyone sits down and talks about how we want the ASUW-GPSS relationship to work at the beginning of the year. Communication from the start of next year or now for the rest of the year is fundamental. We don't ever see each other, so it is really hard especially with the turnover.

Randy Siebert: Especially with her being the only representative from GPSS to ASUW. She can only say so much about certain events.

Elloise Kim: James do you have anything to say about Huskies on the Hill?

James Moschella: He thinks Matt has worked closely on it and the best idea moving forward is to have a planning committee. That is something that next year's VP external along with OGR director whomever those may be will have closer relationships. He is working on better transition memos to make sure no communication issues do arise. Overall, Huskies on the hill was successful, there was the most Graduate student representation ever. The funding ASUW provides is very appreciated, and that is one of the more important relationships to maintain. The planning issues arise between individuals. He urges that communication lines stay open.

Michaella Rogers: ASUW has big strengths and GPSS has big strengths and we would like to figure out how to touch on each other's strengths more. This is her having half a year's experience and not realizing some things ASUW does until now. Also giving ASUW a better understanding of Graduate student issues would be good.

Elloise Kim: Sometimes our demands arise from subtle things like recently in the University transportation committee they suggested extending transportation hours, nightride, for finals week. We support it because we see how it is good overall, but it doesn't really help Graduate students that much.

Taylor Beardall: Doesn't think that's a very fair statement to make. When we talked about Student Activity Fee allocations for childcare, that was aimed more towards Graduate students. That is something that really doesn't affect Undergraduates as much as it affects Graduate students.

Elloise Kim: There are many examples where we support each other when we are not necessarily directly benefitting our constituents.

Taylor Beardall: Thinks it seems a little like people think ASUW doesn't think about Graduates at all which is not something she agrees with. However, she knows ASUW can do better to meet Graduate student needs. However, they do think about Graduate students.

Elloise Kim: She is not saying that ASUW does not think about Graduate students at all but there is a chance that you don't understand Graduate student needs due to the fact that you have never experienced Graduate student life.

Sarah Loeffler: She doesn't formally work with a lot of ASUW, but has heard a lot about the frustrations. Maybe at the beginning of the year it would be good to set up more of a formal collaboratative relationship to establish that GPSS is its own entity and they are partners in a lot of things they do and not necessarily encompassed in all the things that are in ASUW. That should be on both sides to advocate for that. Seems like maybe that didn't go as well as it could have this year but thinks they can build upon this conversation moving forward. Some people on ASUW might not know exactly how GPSS works but that's also our responsibility as GPSS to advocate for that and explain that. She knows that Taylor is at meetings and she thinks she is valuable and really does try. What they are doing with A&E is something they started considering this year. Instead of giving money away maybe in the future it would be good to do an event together as a partnership between GPSS and ASUW and building the relationship in a positive way.

Randy Siebert: Don't take this conversation personally we know you are the only one here representing ASUW, thank you for listening.

Elloise Kim: You [Taylor Beardall] are doing a great job and we really appreciate it.

James Moschella: You asked for specific actionable things so here are a few. Employment, Graduate students say they haven't even gotten consideration for jobs in ASUW. Programming, a lot of constituents think that ASUW doesn't have programming for Graduate students. Proportional representation, like on the legislative steering committee there is only one Graduate student yet Graduates make up 1/3 of the campus population is Graduate students. When somebody is lobbying on behalf of all of them that's a bit hard.

Taylor Beardall: Are there any more specifics? All of those are very actionable, she can work on them now.

Elloise Kim: Doesn't want Taylor to think that ASUW has to change everything to serve the needs of Graduate students. It would be great if you knew that Graduate students don't go to all events put on by ASUW. Some programs like Shaun King everyone would love to go to but there are others where it would be hard to find more than a few Graduate students attending. Graduate school programs have high Undergraduate attendance but the same can't be said for Undergraduate events.

Taylor Beardall: Can talk to A&E about increasing promotional endeavours to make more Graduate students aware of events.

Elloise Kim: When it comes to the Spring social some people will go but because it's in the middle of the day lots of Graduate students may be busy teaching or in lab. So even if they want to go they may not be able to attend. Which is fine, but if people think this is an event where everyone can attend then maybe we need to shift the times to accommodate Graduate students more.

Randy Siebert: Also, in regards to that homecoming scholarship that was open to everyone, Graduates were unaware of that. So if you promote that more to Graduate students that would be good.

Sarah Loeffler: In those planning processes talking about events ahead of time would allow us to promote the events better to our constituents. Again, that may just be us being better partners overall. We can work on how to communicate events and promotion of those events between Graduate and Undergraduate events.

James Moschella: Why don't we have a meeting at the beginning of Fall, Board of Directors + Exec.

Randy Siebert: We can even do a quarterly thing.

Sarah Loeffler: Could also facilitate that after elections to help the incoming governing body.

Taylor Beardall: We could do a better job of pairing up ASUW and GPSS positions. What times are best for Graduate students for events?

Elloise Kim: It varies.

Taylor Beardall: We run on the assumption that Graduate students are free during the day because they assume that people are often working.

Elloise Kim: Everyone has different schedules, so it's really hard to pinpoint a perfect time.

Sarah Loeffler: In general during the day is really bad for most Graduate students.

Taylor Beardall: Feels like this was very productive. She is sorry if she came off as defensive. She came in thinking that GPSS wanted to completely split from ASUW. (No, we don't want to split.)

Sarah Loeffler: There was just confusion that GPSS was still a part of ASUW. Formally we are separate organizations that was what they were trying to convey through Randy at the last ASUW meeting, not that they want to split.

Elloise Kim: Would like to conclude this conversation with thanking Taylor and ASUW for being great partners and we are really enjoying the partnership. Likes and hopes it continues.

Michaella Rogers: Thinks it would be great to have a meeting between ASUW and GPSS right after elections so the incoming group has a good understanding of what to do. Can we set something up?

Taylor Beardall: We can set something up, maybe a dinner.

Randy Siebert: Our elections will be May 17th.

Taylor Beardall: Sometime after May 17th we'll set something up. Would you like a quarterly meeting between GPSS and ASUW/Board of Directors this quarter?

Sarah Loeffler: Not this quarter. However a spring quarterly meeting would be good.

Elloise Kim: Came up with this agenda because the the committee is about to start its work. This year the search committee will have 9 people. ASUW and GPSS presidents, and each president will have two at large representatives, ASUW Bothell and Tacoma presidents, and the office of minority affairs and diversity advisory board representative will be on the committee. All together 9 people will make up the committee. Out of 9 people, 3 seats are with GPSS. It's a small committee but they make big decisions on who to choose as a candidate for the next student regent position. She thought it would be great to have a conversation as the Executive board so her and Randy could be advised better about what values they should advocate more strongly for in the next Student Regent candidate. She was advised to recommend that people that are considering applyig for the position should step out of the meeting right now. It would be good if you could leave for 10 minutes. Now she wants to open the table to thoughts and opinions.

Laura Taylor: Honestly thinks our Student Regent should be more diverse in the future because in the past a certain demogrpahic has been in that seat and it has not been very representative of the diversity of the school.

Elloise Kim: Just to clarify, Randy and I and here to listen not give input.

James Moschella: Echos the diversity aspect and something else he wants to add is demonstrated understanding of issues of the GPSS constituency. Stuff on the legislative agenda is what he personally cares about, and they are clearly issues that GPSS constituents care about. If someone mentioned in an interview that they knew about those issues and talked to people about them that would go a long way for James.

Sarah Loeffler: Also, thinks a fundamental understanding of the structure of the University at an administrative level is important as well as the tri-campus structure. It's a hard thing to learn on the fly, and understanding formal processes and how issues are handled would be good.

James Moschella: Thinks a large protion of our constituency would like to see someone who handles issues of humanities an social sciences with care. At the same time, he would like to see a regent who admits to the changing purpose of higher education and working through those issues.

Laura Taylor: One thing she really liked about our current student Regent, is she found him approachable. Thinks it would be good to have someone else who is approachable, so if she wanted to bring something up she wouldn't feel weird.

Michaella Rogers: Being able to work between different groups comfortably is also important.

Sarah Loeffler: Felt like this year in particular it was nice to know that the Student Regent was present. That presence was really valuable to GPSS.

James Moschella: Thinks a large proportion of the constituency has an opinion about insider and outsider applicants for Student Regent applicants. He doesn't have an opinion about it. However, that is something to keep in mind for future potential applicants.

Michaella Rogers: The advertisement of the Regent application could be better. It was not very widespread and was in the same channels of people that were already very involved. So more widespread advertisement would be good. It would help with the diversity aspect as well.

Tori Hernandez (Director of Events): Had a question, she hasn't looked into the Regent application or what it entails.

Elloise Kim: It has not been published yet. The committee will meet to consolidate what kind of documents and qualifications we want to see in candidates.

Tori Hernandez (Director of Events): Was wondering as far as the insider versus outsider applicants what James meant?

James Moschella: You have the applicants like us who would be able to meet pretty much anyone on campus with a few emails. Then you have students who just want to be representatives and don't really have all those connections. Thinks a large proportion of our constituency would prefer the less connected applicant. In any applicant we would like to see someone who is willing to raise their voice and leave bipartisanship in favor of voicing what is morally right.

Matt Munoz (Director of Legislative Affairs): Thinks the person needs to be strategic minded and to know how to present that information. Knowing who to say it to and how to say it and when appropriate to say it. Someone who is always flying off the handle without a filter isn't good, may make some people less likely to listen.

Elloise Kim: She has a pretty good list. The timeline is that by the end of this quarter or the beginning of next quarter the committee will consolidate standard application questions. By mid April the application will be published and accepted. By April 20th they will conduct interviews with candidates. By the beginning of May the finalist will be handed to the Governor's office. If you have any concerns or opinions feel free to communicate with her or Randy. Also, based upon values you heard from Executive members, email her with suggestions of people you think might think might be good candidates. She had to exclude many people from applying to the committee on the principle of conflict of interest. Hopes that you also consider possible conflicts of interest with candidate suggestions. Every recommendation is confidential.

Sarah Loeffler: She is talking about the selection committee.

Austin Wright-Pettibone (Student Regent): For the qualities you all listed off, think about people who have those qualities and encourage them to apply. Especially people who aren't really involved but could do a lot.

Elloise Kim: Is asking for help in spreading the word for the position, and to help fill the 3rd committee member seat. Think about someone who would be a good person to add to the

diversity value of the search committee. It would be great if you could make a recommendation by tomorrow morning.

Laura Taylor: There is a person she is thinking about recommending. She knows his face but not his name. He is on the judicial committee and is very well spoken.

Elloise Kim: She doesn't want to hear any names for the committee during the meeting. Mentioning the specific name may be a bit uncomfortable.

Michaella Rogers leaves.

Laura Taylor Moves to recess for 5 minutes.

James Moschella Seconds.

6:31pm-6:36pm

Mar. 8 Senate Meeting Agenda

6:36pm

Elloise Kim: We don't have many items after regular business. Student life will come to update us on the student conduct code and the bias report system. Student legal services will come as well to talk about how students can get there services regarding legal matters for free.

James Moschella: Does anyone know what student legal services actually does? He doesn't.

Peder Digre: He is a committee member who is hiring a new director. There are two things they do. Student legal servies provides legal consulting to students for free or reduced prices. They deal with things such as landlord issues and now possibly immigration issues. Also, they have 2nd or 3rd year law students come and work under supervision of a licensed attorney and they can do some of the work themselves.

Randy Siebert: She walked over to student legal services and asked them to come to the next Senate meeting.

Elloise Kim: The next item is the GPSS budget FY18, it has to be approved by the Senate. She decided not to have Good of the Order to make the meeting shorter and allow people to time to enjoy pizza. Where should we have pizza and drinks?

Sarah Loeffler: It has to be in the office because we have to have a closed meeting to provide the alcohol.

Elloise Kim: Lets invite senators to the come to the meeting and learn about next years budget as well and for pizza and drinks. Also, usually she tries to come up with a plan for guest speakers very early. For next quarter she doesn't necessarily have a lined up guest list. If you think a specific person would be beneficial Senators to hear from let her know. Also, GPSS will meet briefly March 15th to approve the April 8th Senate meeting agenda. She needs to know who will be invited for the meeting before that.

Taylor Beardall: Would you like ASUW candidates to come during a GPSS meeting?

Elloise Kim: That would be nice, lets talk more about it after the meeting.

Peder Digre: For the first meeting after Spring quarter starts can we have an extended officer report on SAGE. (April 5th meeting)

James Moschella: He can do that.

Randy Siebert Moves to approve the Agenda.

James Moschella Seconds.

Executive Senator Reports

6:40 pm

Peder Digre: He is on the student legal services search committee and they had skype interviews last week, and have narrowed down candidates for in-person interviews. Also, they are continuing budget hearings in SAF, they will be doing more on Firday. STF had a voting meeting on Monday, they voted on all proposals this quarter.

James Moschella: What is legal services searching for? (A new director.)

Laura Taylor: Went to the student safety committee and it sounds like, at least from the Undergraduates, there is a lot of pushback from students about police presence on campus in general. They are having conversations about how police can have a more friendly prescence on campus. The meeting was a lot of calling the police out and not really offering suggestions. She wants to know if anyone else has opinons on that or recommendations. She knows our Senate has mixed views on police prescence. Sounds like police are pretty willing to try and make their impressions better. Also, the research advisory board meeting was cancelled so she has nothing to report for that.

Officer Reports

6:45 pm

ASUW Liaison

The Interanationl student working group is going well. There is lots of discussion around the Interational student fee.

Elloise Kim: She got an email about 10 mintes ago, the fee is suspended indefinitely.

Taylor Beardall: Some of the other things that have come out of that working group are a centralized space for student needs they feel like they are scattered everywhere and there isn't like a centralized space. Our mental health working group has been going well. They are coming up with recommendations that can be applied to ASUW and maybe we can share those with GPSS as well. Also, ASUW is starting purple Fridays with various companies around the UW district, every Friday a different company has a dicount for students. The director of programming is working on the event that is a partnership focused on American Indian students in Washington. The Univerisity brings Amerian Indian students to campus for a day at UW and they play a game. Last year they played with the UW football team so if there is any interest in partnering up for that let her know. Another thing they are working on is the professional business closet for students who can't afford professional business attire. That's with Tae, the

Director of Diversity Efforts. They are having a tri-campus meeting this week so if there is anything you would like us to relay to UW bothell and Tacoma let her know.

Elloise Kim: She asked Sarah if she might be interested in going.

Taylor Beardall: They sent ASUW an email saying they would meet for six hours. Danielle responded back that the meeting will only have to be two hours long. So now the meeting will only be two hours.

Sarah Loeffler: Realistically she is not going to do it, she has lots of stuff to do.

Taylor Beardall: Sometimes the meetings are not very helpful, but if anything important comes up she will relay it back.

Elloise Kim: The leaders of tri-campus have struggled to make a good meeting time.

Taylor Beardall: They are trying to make this meeting more productive by making more guidelines for it. Lastly, had a battle for the Yacht club resolution. It was passed by the Senate twice, and failed by the Board of Regents twice. The board gave the specific reasons why it failed and they still haven't fixed it. She expects it to fail again on Thursday.

James Moschella: Is it in a never ending loop?

Taylor Beardall: It could be. Since they amended it, it gets sent back if Senate votes on it in its same form as when the Board failed it, it can be overridden by 2/3rds vote but that hasn't happened yet. Tomorrow they have a big event with SARVA its called "Take Back the Night" its in the HUB.

GRADUATE SCHOOL

Elloise Kim: Kelly is not here because of current events happening on the second floor, she said the social science career fair was very successful. Today she has another event.

Elloise Kim: She know the first generation group is planning ot meet for another event.

Tori Hernandez (Director of Events): She is in the email list for the first generation group but she isn't able to attend meetings due to class.

VICE PRESIDENT OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS

Last week they had the Science and policy white paper project launch, they had 30-40 people. That is a great number for a long running project where we are essentially pairing up students to work together or seperately to write a white paper and they are going to help find venues for people to submit white papers. One of their members Grant Williamson has found a member of the business community who would like to use the research. They will be hosting office hours for the project every Friday for the next three weeks. If you want to know more email us or talk to Sarah. Upass approved the extension of nightride share hours starting this quarter for finals week. The hours will go to 3:15am instead of 1am also they are playing with the idea of extending hours for dead week in the next quarters. They have a big meeting going on, on the

10th to get some more information that would really pertain to the longevity of the Upass program. Trying to get Graduate Student Experience Committee up and running. Let Sarah know if anyone is interested. Generally those meetings are Monday at 9am. Personally the big win is to add additional programming into the budget for professional development. If you are interested in the projects or things we can initiate for next year and leave for the next Vice President talk to Sarah.

VICE PRESIDENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

On the Olympia side, they are passed the policy and fiscal cut off. So if any bills have passed that, now it has to be passed on the floor and if passed there then the bill goes to the other house and has to be passed. The Veterans Mental Health bill was pulled to the floor of the Senate today. Should be voted on soon. The House of Representatives said they were waiting for the Senate's decision and would follow their lead. The student loan bill of rights also is going onto the floor, its more of a symbolic thing. Doesn't really think it has a shot in the Senate. There was a sexual assault stuff is moving along. A bill passed on the Senate floor, about victim advocacy. Doesn't expect it to do well in the House of representatives because it has some Republican language. Other than that there is a debt bill they are working on that got pulled to the floor in the House of Representatives, doesn't think it will make it to the Senate but it is a good example of what happens when students are involved in the making of the language for these bills. He forgot to print out a proposal but he wants to have biweekly call your representative days, throughout Spring quarter. Thinks the call your representative days would set up another avenue for people to contribute. It would be a few hours every week we can have light snacks and drinks and have a list of issue that people could call on and talking points we could write. FLAB is moving along, they are working on language at this point for a lot of topics. They will have an official document in the coming weeks. Meetings are being scheduled Representative Jayapal is very communicative, she wants to see research from Graduates. The SAGE conference is at the end of March.

SECRETARY

Got a few things accomplished, got all the meeting rooms for meetings in the HUB booked through June 3rd 2020. Working with the Judicial committee next week to create a best practices worksheet on Senator elections. Also, she drafted a new online returning senators form she will have returning senators fill out so it will make her job easier in tracking people. It also gives more substance to the Senator position. Next quarter is a big organization quarter, organizing records and archives. She is drafting up new promotional material for GPSS, and working with the creative director to make a more harmonized view of GPSS instead of different types of logos and handouts have two things. We have two things a funding postcard, they are duplicating that but just for how to get involved in GPSS, it will be a streamlined and similar color and look. Getting GPSS more situated and hammering down how we look. Also, making a style guide for next year.

PRESIDENT

The International student fee suspension is starting summer 2017 and will go on indefinitely. In the current political climate the fee could seem unwelcoming to international students. It could cost the University as much as 600 thousand dollars per year but the University is working on finding other sources to make up for that loss in revenue. ISHIP has been meeting diligently. The last time when she mentioned the possible plan design options she mentioned that it was possible that individual deductibles could go up from \$100 to \$200 dollars. They are now leaning more towards utilizing the prime network, it does not include Swedish or Providence, which could reduce the cost by as much as 4%. Seems to be most cost effective rather than raising the deductible from \$100 to \$200 dollars or raising the out of pocket max from \$3,400 to \$4,000. We are asking students to pay more or raising payments in general. Instead of those options they decided to utilize the prime network more the committee will meet again next week to finalize a plan design option and we will forward it by mid april so they can get the new insurance plan for this calendar year. Attended S&P white paper event it was very successful. Best moment since last week was attending John Lewis talk. Board of Regents meeting is next week at Bothell campus. If you are interested in learning more about Bothell campus issues that would be a place to go. Also, Sarah, James and her will be in DC from March 25th-31st for the SAGE conference. They decided to extend the trip one more night so they can have fun as well. Please mark your calendars. She will send out a when 2 meet poll for a brief meeting on March 15th to approve the first April meetings Agenda.

Laura Taylor: Will not be in the US on March 15th.

Elloise Kim: She will send out a poll with different date options.

Peder Digre: Why not do it during the pizza time in the next meeting?

Sarah Loeffler: Maybe. We would have to leave the room.

James Moschella: We could come to this room.

Elloise Kim: She went to the everybody every body fashion show it was a fun event.

Announcements

7:02 pm

Sarah Loeffler: When you all see Michaella again give her one more pat on the back and a thank you. She worked really hard on the budget.

Adjournment

7:03 pm

Sarah Loeffler Moves to adjourn the meeting.

Peder Digre Seconds.
