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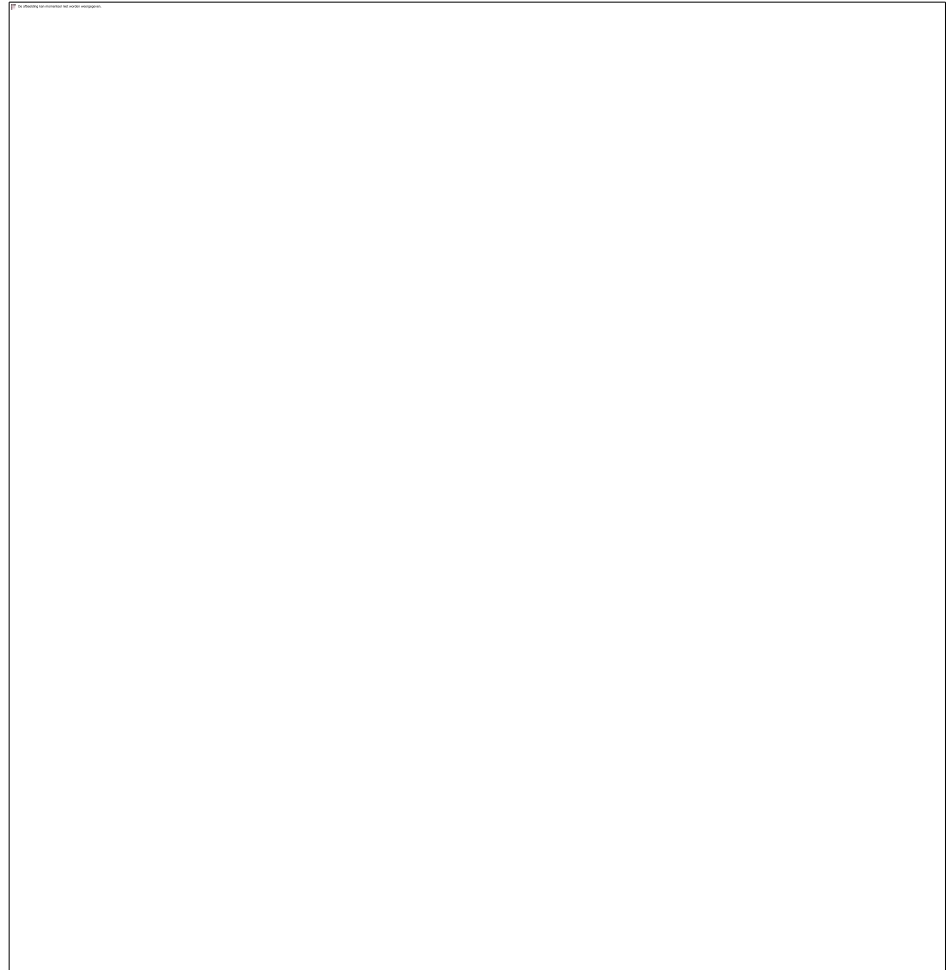
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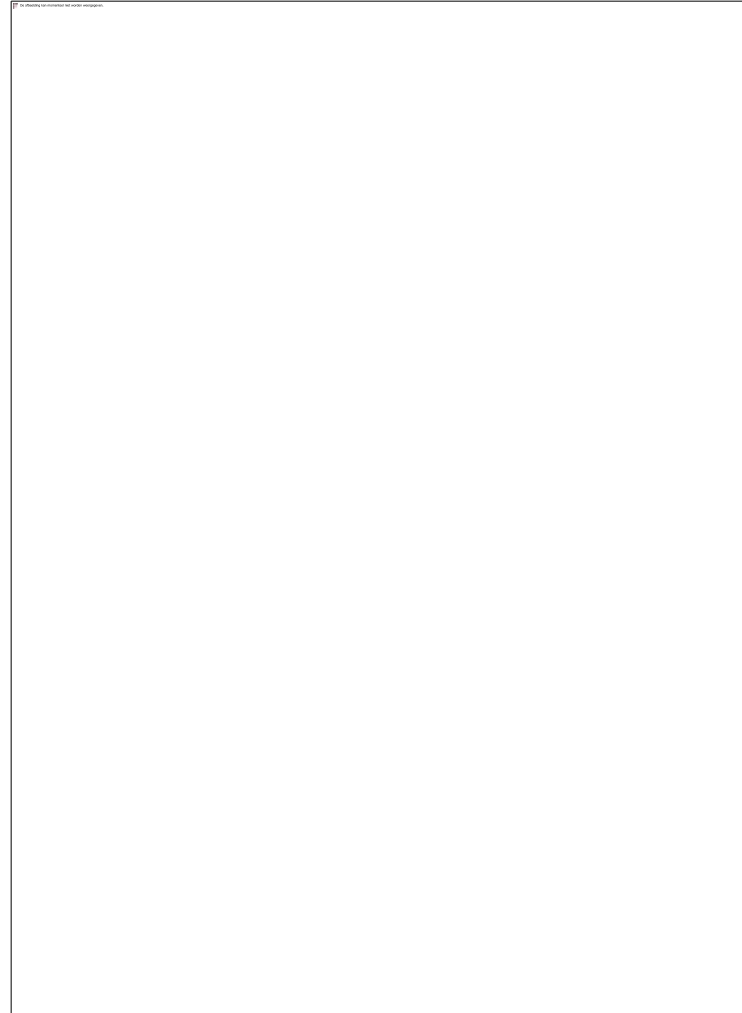
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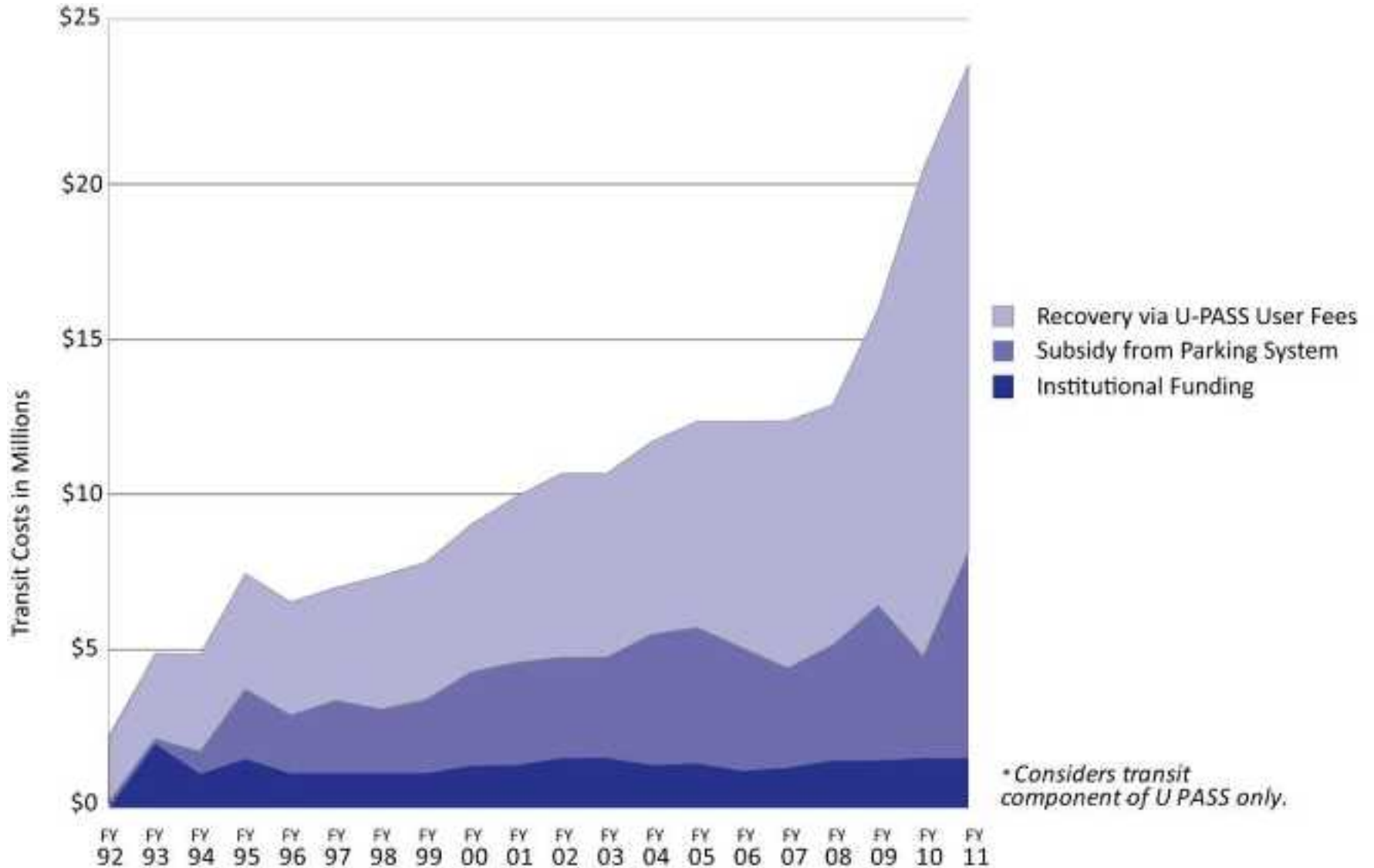
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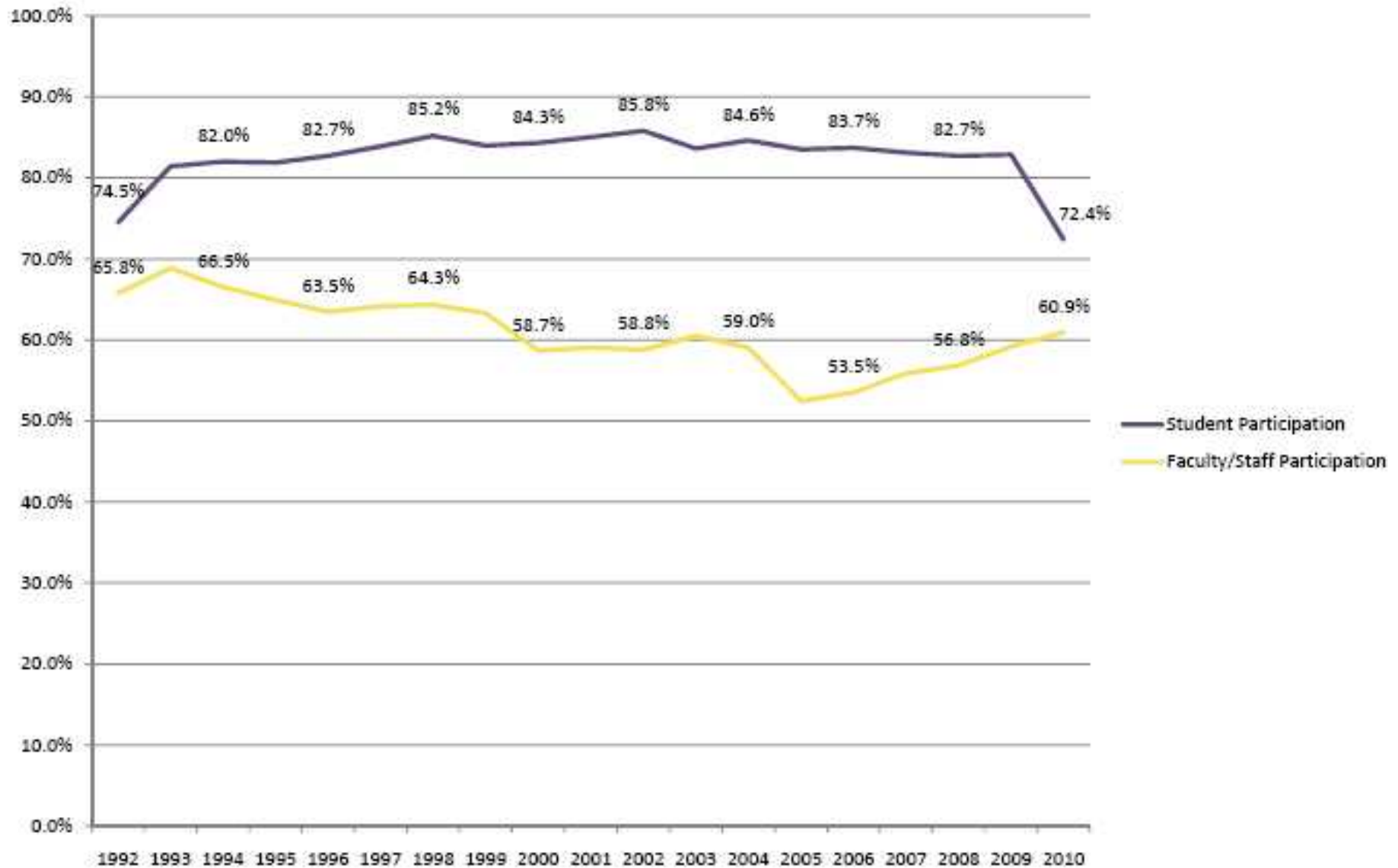


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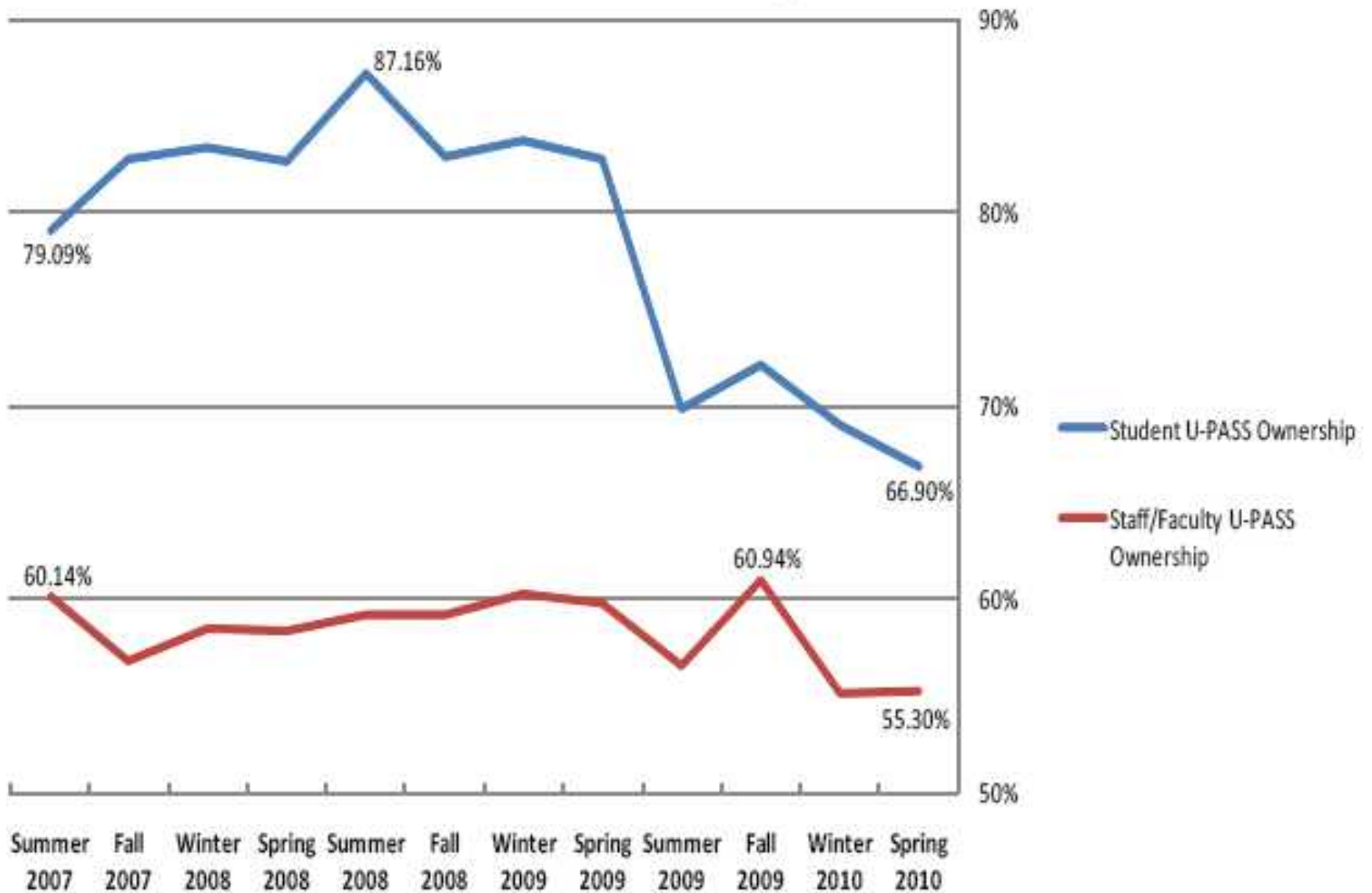


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Program Launch to Present



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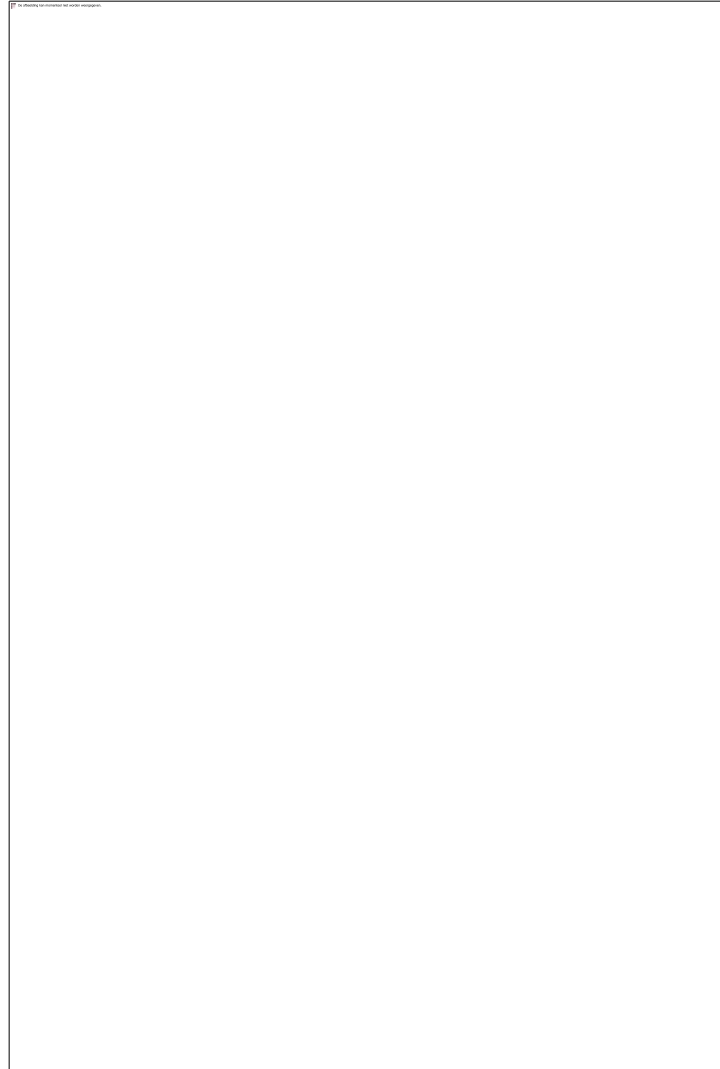
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State Budget Overview

- Revenue forecast below expectations
- Current biennium (2009-11): 6.3% across-the-board cuts at UW, or \$17 million
- Next biennium (2011-13): Facing \$4.5 billion shortfall
 - Very likely to grow, especially with passing of i1053 (tax increases) and i1107 (candy-soda tax)

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Funding Models

High Tuition, High Aid

- Low- and middle-income students would be squeezed
- Increases pressure on financial aid funding, and this model has in effect turned into high tuition, low aid

Guaranteed Funding Floor

- Could give the state a license to underfund
- Unsure what kind of traction this might have

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GPSS's Strategy

Focus on how UW's graduate and professional students benefit the state, and the economic impact of higher-ed investment.

Prioritize advocacy of:

- State funding
- Tuition affordability and predictability
- Financial aid

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Student-Parent Task Force

Improve awareness among students and administrators of student-parent challenges and ameliorate conditions for student-parents and their children.

Task force will be charged with:

- Prioritizing student-parent issues
- Developing advocacy strategies
- Planning "Bring Your Kid to School Day"



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2Y2D Update

What is 2y2d?

- Through a collaborative process, the 2y2d Initiative builds on the foundation of the UW Vision and Values to develop a long-term direction for the next twenty years
- Based on this direction, a near-term sustainable academic business plan will be created for the next two years that helps set the UW on the right path for the next twenty.
- The plan will reflect our shared mission, takes into account current realities, and allows the UW to excel in the next twenty years.

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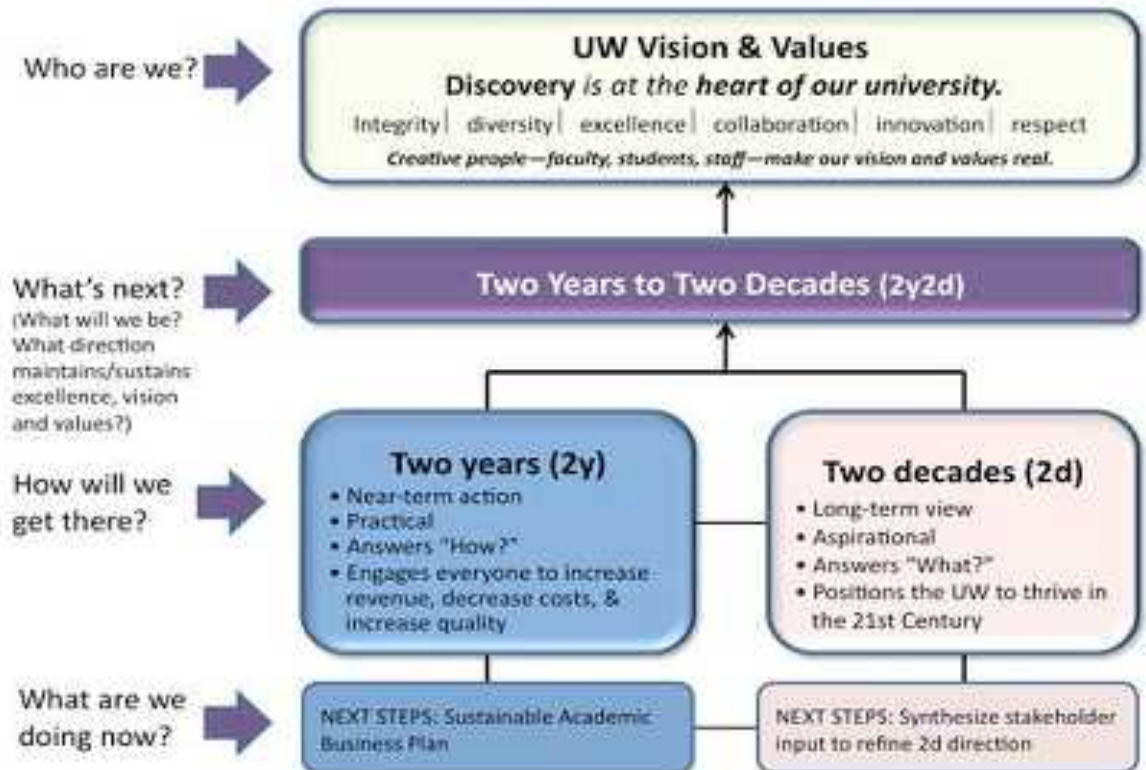
Phase 1: Initial Focus Groups of University leaders, faculty members, staff and students began meeting in the summer of 2009. Each group drafted a report that is a working document. Based on the Initial Focus Groups' reports, a two-page Initial Focus Group Summary was created.

Phase 2: Synthesize stakeholder—including graduate and professional—input to redefine stakeholder direction over the next 20 years.

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Graduate and Professional Student Input in the 2y2d Process

- Attend Graduate and Professional Student Focus Groups at December 1, 5:00 pm!!!!!!!!!!



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Non-Resident Waiver Update

Graduate and Professional
Student Senate

Background on Waiver

- Non-Resident Waiver Summary:
In July 2005, the University of Washington Regents approved a tuition reduction for nonresident graduate and professional students. The reduction provided an annual waiver of the differential tuition between resident and nonresident tuition for nonresident graduate and professional students who have lived in the state for one year, but who do not qualify for state residency

Non-Resident Waiver Breakdown

2009-2010 Non-Resident Tuition Waiver

College	Autumn, Winter, and Spring Only		Summer, Autumn, Winter, and Spring	
	# Students Receiving Waiver	Amount Waived	# Students Receiving Waiver	Amount Waived
Built Environments	49	\$510,829	51	\$533,394
Coll Arts & Sciences	37	\$310,629	42	\$345,672
Foster Business School	26	\$220,514	26	\$220,514
College Of Education	3	\$18,421	4	\$24,359
College Of Engineering	2	\$8,892	2	\$8,892
College Of Environment	7	\$54,629	7	\$54,629
Dean-Graduate School	2	\$15,116	3	\$20,544
The Information School	3	\$32,013	3	\$34,982
School Of Law	82	\$757,722	82	\$785,390
Evans Sch Of Public Af	6	\$60,272	6	\$60,272
School Of Social Work	15	\$177,867	15	\$177,867
School Of Dentistry	20	\$415,209	20	\$504,740
School Of Medicine	26	\$424,920	33	\$847,456
School Of Nursing	5	\$49,800	5	\$49,800
School Of Pharmacy	49	\$691,563	49	\$756,465
Sch Of Public Health	12	\$142,294	12	\$142,294
Total	344	\$3,890,690	360	\$4,567,270

GPSS Position

- GPSS believes that the non-resident tuition waiver is an important tool for attracting quality students and ensuring that UW graduate and professional education remain competitive in the global economy
- GPSS seeks a compromise solution to ensure that revenues for the waiver program remain committed to student financial aid

GPSS/Graduate School Proposal

- Create Graduate and Professional Fellowships
- Proposal: For \$4500 a year (\$500 a month) in a fellowship/stipend, schools and colleges can create an option that triggers a waiver of out-of-state tuition. E.g., if College X awarded Non Resident Student Y a \$4500 fellowship, Student Y would not have to pay out of state tuition

GPSS/Graduate School Proposal

The proposed fellowship program would include:

- Deans would receive money used for tuition waivers to fund fellowship programs on a local level
- Streamlined eligibility requirements
 - Reduces the number of students who are eligible for and who would receive this award
- Student recipients would receive:
 - \$4500 a year (\$500/month)
 - Tuition waiver (the difference between in-state and out-of-state tuition)

What we've done

- GPSS organized students—primarily from medicine and law— to attend the UW Regents meeting in October
- Compiled Testimonies from waiver recipients (over 50 and counting)
- Worked with Dean Baldasty to negotiate a compromise solution aimed at providing a more targeted fellowship program

Non-Resident Tuition Waiver: Next Steps

- Continue to Mobilize Student Groups:
 - Mobilize stakeholders in law, medicine
 - Petition

How you can help:

- Attend the Board of Regents Meeting on November 18
 - (142 Gerberding, Time TBA)
- Attend the meeting (TBA) with Interim President Phyllis Wise, Dean Testy, etc.

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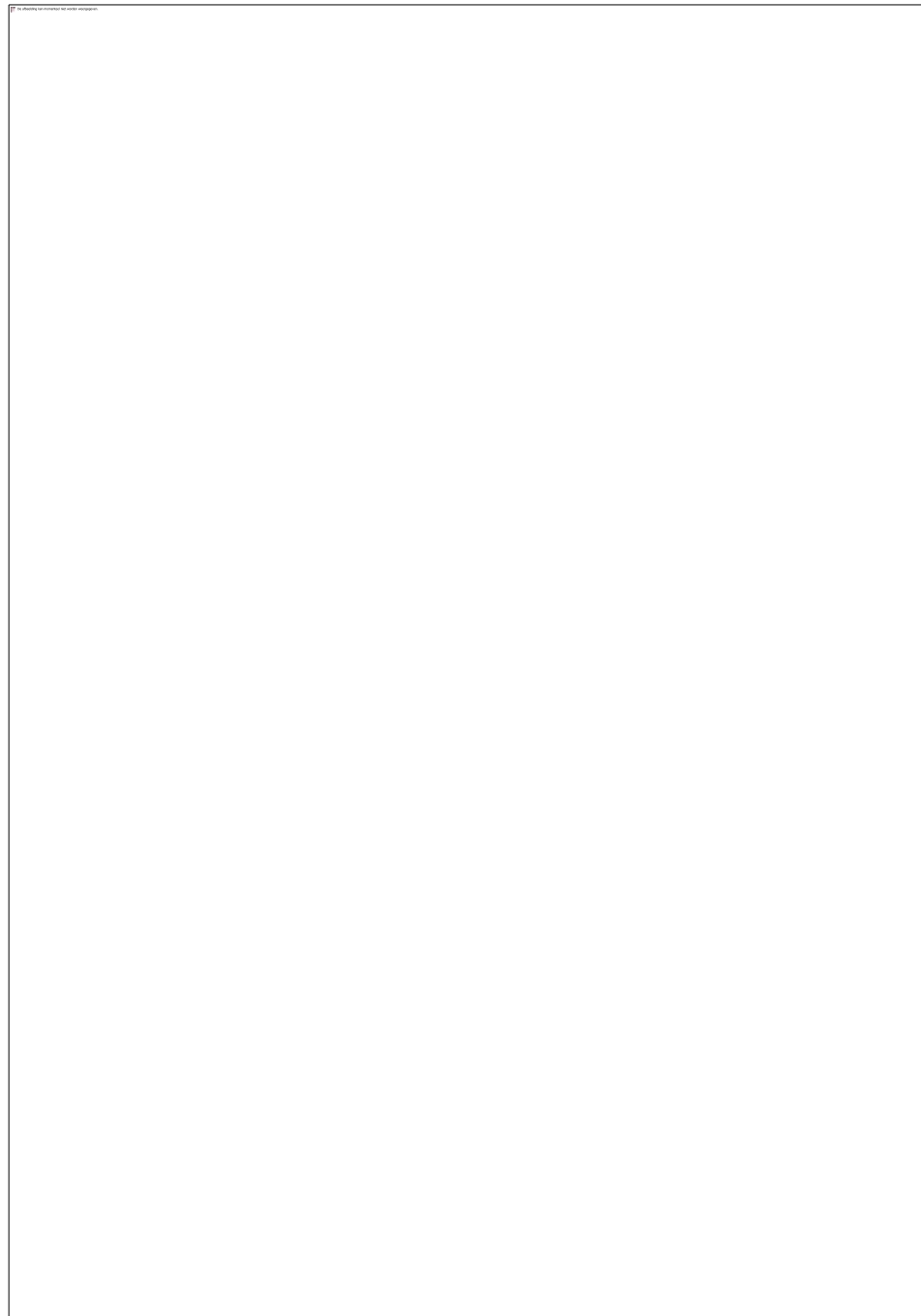
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1	Call to Order	Sarah <u>Reyneveld</u>	Action	5:30p
2	Approval of the Agenda	Sarah <u>Reyneveld</u>	Action	5:31p
3	Approval of Minutes from 11/3/10 Senate Meeting	Sarah <u>Reyneveld</u>	Action	5:32p
4	Legislative Agenda	Ben Henry	Action	6:07p
5	Student Technology Fee	Charles Plummer	Action	6:42p
6	Higher Education Summit Update	Sarah <u>Reyneveld</u>	Information	6:47p
7	Non-Resident Tuition Waiver Update	Sarah <u>Reyneveld</u>	Information	6:52p
8	Announcements	All	Information	6:57p
9	Adjourn	Sarah <u>Reyneveld</u>	Action	6:58p

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STF Bylaw Changes

Major Changes

- Annual approval of Spending Plan by GPSS and ASUW
- Required to submit to Student body Annual Report
- Must communicate large shifts in approved funding to ASUW and GPSS (10% rule)
- Two new positions: Financial and Compliance Officer
- .5% increase in administrative costs (up to 1.5%)

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GPSS Bylaw Changes

Change: Article VI Section A Clause 4 becomes Section A Clause 5 and insert new clause 4:

Article VI Committees of the Senate

Section A The Executive Committee

Clause 4 Student Technology Fee Oversight
Provisions

*Clause 5 Any actions of the Executive
Committee are subject to review by
the GPSS.*

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- Clause 4 Student Technology Fee Oversight Provisions
- a. The GPSS Executive Committee will be considered the Senate's primary oversight body regarding matters related to the Student technology fee (STF) and the STF committee (STFC).
 - b. Student Technology Fee Liaison
 - c. STF Yearly Funding Plan (YFP)
 - d. Changes to the YFP
 - e. Annual Report: The President of GPSS will receive and approve as detailed (sign) the STFC annual report by the First of September.
 - f. Three Year Oversight Review

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Change: Article V Section E Clause 2: Add (K)

Article V Officers of the GPSS
Section E Duties of the Treasurer

Clause 2 Specific duties of the Treasurer shall
be to:

add k. Act as or nominate another
member of the executive committee
to serve as the Student Tech Fee
(STF) Liaison as outlined

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Change: Article VII Section C *add* Clause 5

Article VII Special Committee Appointments
Section C Guidelines for Appointment

Clause 5 Appointments shall be made to the Student Technology Fee Committee (STFC) during the Spring and Summer quarters prior to the beginning of the academic year in which the appointees shall serve. Current STFC committee members are encouraged to declare their intention to remain or not remain on the Committee before the end of the Spring quarter.

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Wednesday, January 12, 2011

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3	Approval of the Minutes	Sarah Reyneveld	Action	5m
4	Elections Committee Announcement	Shawn Mincer	Information	5m
5	OCHA Presentation	Joseph Salama	Information	10m
6	Financial Aid Resolution	Sarah Reyneveld	Action	5m
7	Stadium Renovation Resolution	Shawn Mincer	Action	5m
8	WSA Updates	Adam Sherman Evan Smith	Information	10m
9	Legislative and Lobby Day Update	Ben Henry	Information	10m
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12	Adjourn	Sarah Reyneveld	Action	1m

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Call to Order

Sarah calls the meeting to order at 5:30pm

Approval of the Agenda

Marc (Treasurer) motions to amend the agenda

Create 3.5, Call for Volunteers for F&B and Volunteers for Travel Grants

Seconded by **Charles Plummer** (Earth and Space)

All in favor, motion passes

Approval of the Minutes

Laruen Berg (Biology) motions to approve the minutes

Seconded by **Adrian** (Psychology)

All in favor, motion passes

3.5. Calls for Volunteers for F&B, Volunteers for Travel Grants

Travel Grants needs 2 volunteers to fill the committee, meets about twice a semester to decide on grant awardees

Jennifer Gosselyn

Gina Vandez (Speech & Hearing Sciences)

F&B needs a committee of at least five, needs 2-3 more volunteers

Meets Wednesday 3-5pm

Gives away departmental allocations

Johnny Bruce (Forestry)

Lauren Berg (Biology)

Kristin Hosey (Nursing)

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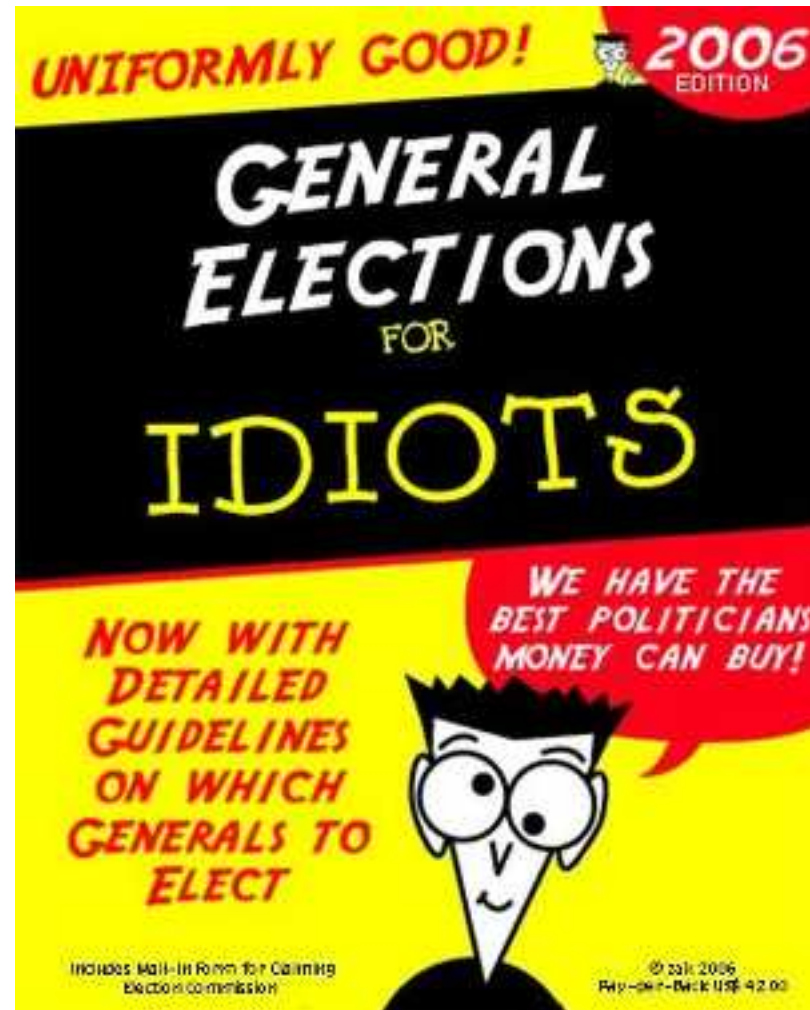
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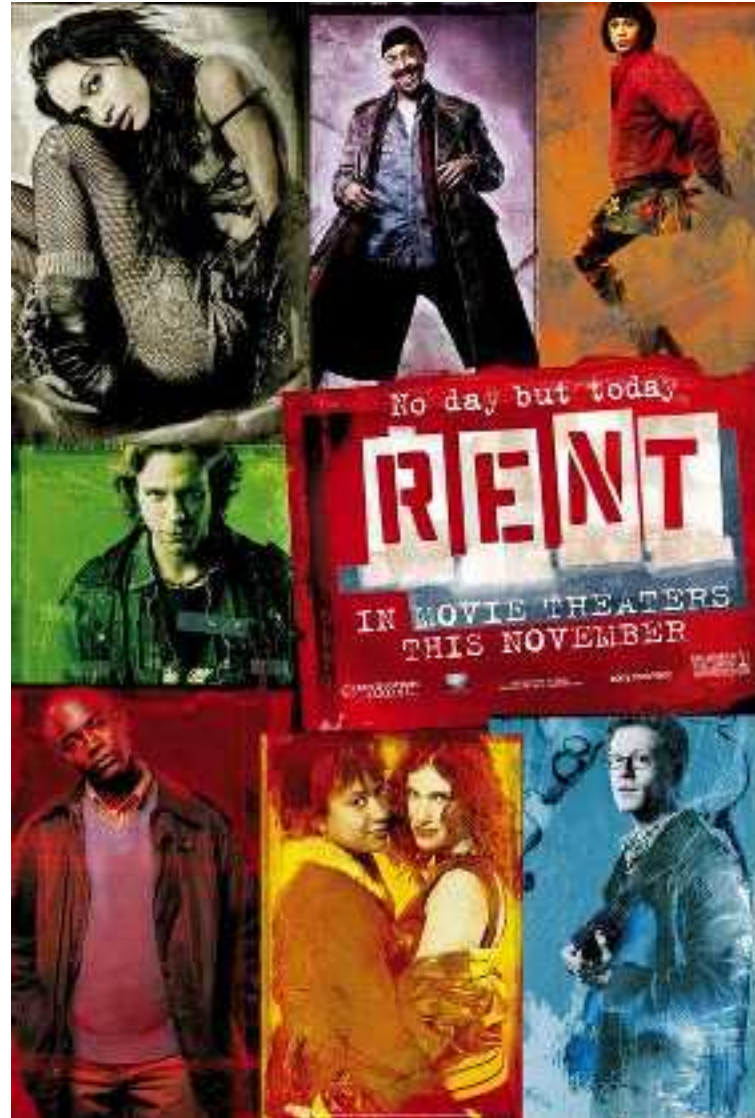
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Title: **RESOLUTION URGING THE WASHINGTON STATE LEGISLATURE TO MAINTAIN ACCESS IN GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION BY REINVESTING IN STUDENT FINANCIAL AID**

Sponsored by: Sarah Reyneveld (President) and Ben Henry (Vice President)

Resolution Number: 02.10-11

WHEREAS the University of Washington is a leader in fostering graduate and professional education in the State of Washington and Nationally;

WHEREAS the University of Washington teaches and trains professionals essential to meet employer demand and maintain and further the State of Washington's place in the global economy;

WHEREAS Washington State is in the midst of a shortage of advanced degrees, having to import 125 degrees for every 100 produced;

WHEREAS State investment in financial aid incentivizes Washington residents to pursue an advanced degree;

WHEREAS graduate and professional students are essential to research and teaching practices University-wide;

WHEREAS the Washington Higher Education Coordinating Board's (HECB) Strategic Master Plan Goals for 2010 included an increase of master's, doctorate, and professional degrees;

WHEREAS the current production of degrees are below the HECB's targets;

WHEREAS an emphasis on educational outcomes means the State has an obligation to mitigate barriers to degree completion;

WHEREAS graduate and professional tuition has continued to rise significantly and unpredictably, with an increase of up to 14% most recently;

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WHEREAS average debt for a graduate or professional degree is \$40,297;

WHEREAS the 2011 Governor's budget proposes to reduce the Washington State Work Study Program by 47 percent;

WHEREAS the 2011 Governor's budget proposes the continued suspension of Future Teachers Conditional Scholarship and Loan Repayment, Washington State Work Study Program, the Health Professions Scholarship, and Child Care Matching Grants;

WHEREAS the Graduate Fellowship Trust Account was suspended in the 2010 supplemental budget and has not been reinstated;

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

THAT the GPSS urges the Washington State Legislature to invest in graduate and professional student aid programs;

THAT the GPSS urges the restoration of the Washington State Work Study Program;

THAT the GPSS urges investments in the Future Teachers Conditional Scholarship and Loan Repayment Program; the Washington State Work Study Program; the Health Professions Scholarship; and the Child Care Matching Grants;

THAT the GPSS supports the restoration of the Graduate Fellowship Trust Account and the Distinguished Professorship Program;

THAT this resolution be forwarded to ASUW President Madeleine McKenna; UW President Phyllis Wise; UW Provost Mary Lidstrom; Gov. Christine Gregoire; Speaker of the House Rep. Frank Chopp; Senate Majority Leader Sen. Lisa Brown; Senate Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee Chair Sen. Rodney Tom; and House Higher Education Committee Chair Rep. Larry Seaquist.

Presented to GPSS for approval on Feb. 9, 2011.

Approved on

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Title: **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A HUSKY STADIUM RENOVATION STUDENT TASKFORCE**

Sponsored by: Sarah Reyneveld (GPSS President), Shawn L. Mincer (GPSS Secretary), Aaron Naumann (Anthropology)

Resolution Number: [03.10-11](#)

WHEREAS the Graduate and Professional students at the University of Washington share a strong commitment to the success of the Universities athletic programs; and,

WHEREAS the Graduate and Professional student body has shared a long relationship with the University of Washington Football program through their fan support in the Dawg Pack and student seating sections at the Husky Stadium; and,

WHEREAS the University community recognizes the need for vital updates and renovations at Husky Stadium; and,

WHEREAS given the economic climate the Athletics department has had to take it upon themselves to secure their own private funding in order to move forward with the renovation of Husky Stadium; and,

WHEREAS in order to fund this debt the Athletics Department must increase the revenue stream for ticket sales at Husky Stadium; and,

WHEREAS based on this need for increased ticket revenue the Husky Stadium Renovation proposal moves student seating to the West End Zone; and,

WHEREAS the Graduate and Professional Student community believes that it should have been engaged with the Athletic Department earlier in the planning of the Husky Stadium Renovation to help assure that more student feedback was incorporated into the redesign; and,

WHEREAS Graduate and Professional students want to have a stronger voice in the Husky Stadium Renovation decision-making process in order to maintain and enhance the game day experience for student ticket holders as well as for the broader Husky Football community; and,

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WHEREAS it is recognized that student ticket holders play a vital role in the game day experience as is exemplified by the fact that ESPN named Husky Stadium the loudest stadium in college football when in 1991 fan noise was recorded at 131 decibels at field level [1]; and,

WHEREAS through increased participation in the Athletics Departments planning and decision-making process Graduate and Professional students can continue to have an active role in supporting Husky Athletics, the campus football tradition and be a part of building positive fan/team experiences at the newly renovated Husky Stadium; therefore,

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

THAT the GPSS supports the creation of a Husky Stadium Renovation Student Task Force in conjunction with ASUW, UW community stakeholders and the UW Athletics Department; and,

THAT the task force will be made up of 2 representatives of GPSS (one officer or their proxy and one GPSS Senator at large), representatives of ASUW and various student stakeholders; and,

THAT this Task Force will advocate for affordable and stable ticket pricing for students, a student season ticket scholarship program, and other relevant items that emerge from the stakeholders as part of the actions of the Task Force; and

THAT this Task Force will report its proposals and findings back to the GPSS Executive Committee and full Senate; and,

THAT GPSS opposes athletic student fees and disproportionate increases in student ticket prices as a way to fund future athletic program capital projects; and,

THAT copies of this resolution be sent to the University President, the University Provost, the members of the Board of Regents, the University Athletic Director, the Head Coach of the football team, the University Executive Vice-Provost, the University Vice-President for Student Life, the President of the Faculty Senate, the President of ASUW, the President and Board of Trustees of the UW Alumni Association, the Chairman of the Big W Club, the Chairman of the Tye Club and the captains of the UW football team.

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Purpose and Mission

- Initiate and coordinate student representation in venues of public policy and reflect student interests, needs, and welfare within the higher education community at large.
 - Help coordinate state-wide lobbying and advocacy efforts
 - Help coordinate UW Lobby Days
 - Help GPSS and ASUW effectuate their legislative agendas
- We have *more flexibility* than GPSS or ASUW as to what we can support and what we can spend money on.

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Opt-In Fee

- WSA-UW funding comes from the \$3 opt-in fee administered during class registration.
 - Last quarter we got \$11,000 from the opt-in fee.
- It supports:
 - GPSS and ASUW advocacy efforts
 - This week's rally in Red Square
 - Lobby Day team leader trainings
 - Dues paid to the WSA (state-wide organization)

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Opt-In Fee Promotion!

- We need your help to get students to opt-in when they register.
- Registration for next quarter begins *Feb 18th*.
- Our current plan:
 - Email blasts (through GPSS/ASUW Senators and WSA-UW listserve)
 - Facebook campaign
 - Texting blasts

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Questions, Comments, Helping Out

Contact:

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or

Evan Smith -

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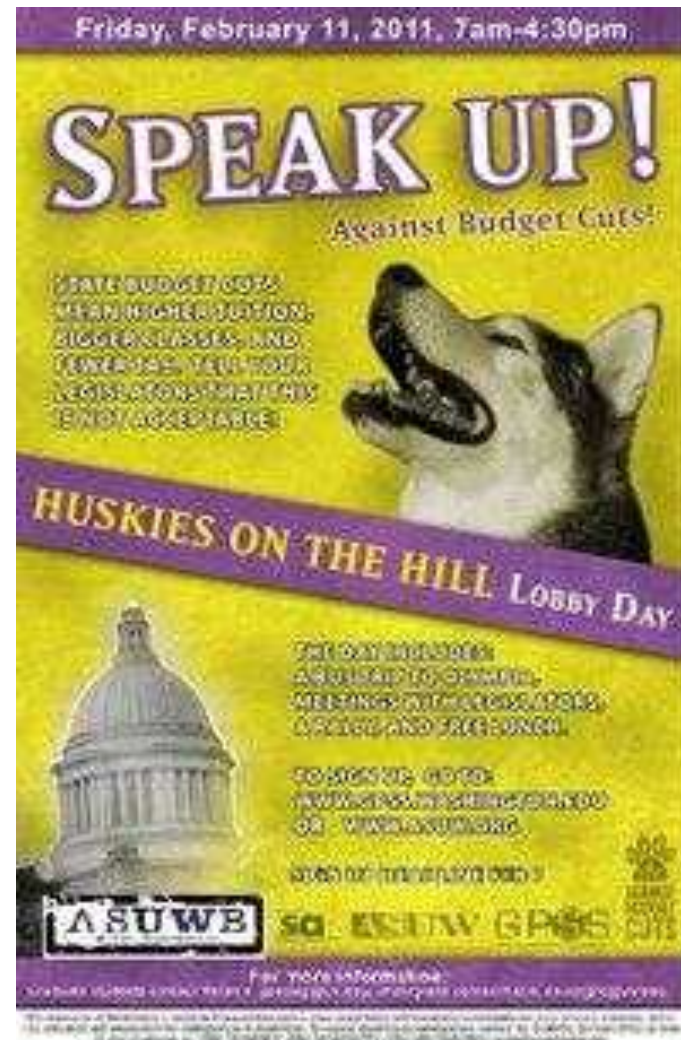
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Bills of Interest

- Governor's Task Force
- Higher Education Opportunity Act
- Supplemental Budget
- Strategic Investments in Education

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Priorities

- Funding
- Financial aid
- Tuition predictability

GPSS Bill Proposal

- Use unclaimed lottery funds to fund expansion of Childcare Matching Grant and partial restoration of State Work-Study
- Would expand access for students to UW's childcare subsidy
- Would partially mitigate Governor's proposed 47% cut to Work-Study
- Proposal submitted to Senate Majority Leader Lisa Brown

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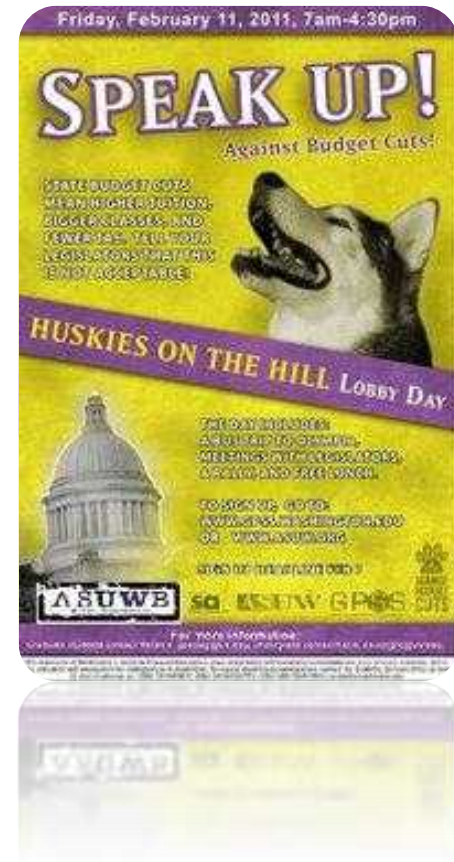
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Huskies on the Hill Day this Friday!!



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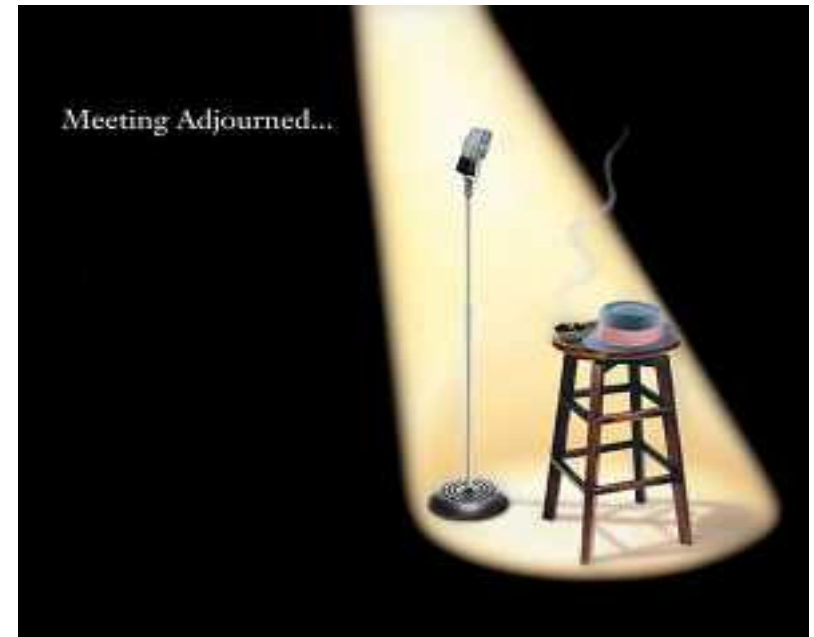
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Thanks for coming!

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, March 2nd, 2011

5:30pm





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Senate Meeting

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1	Call to Order	Sarah Reyneveld	Action	1
2	Approval of the Agenda	Sarah Reyneveld	Action	1
3	Approval of the Minutes	Sarah Reyneveld	Action	5
4	Speaker		Information	15
5	Budget Vote	Marc Jaffrey	Action	10
6	Election Packet Vote	Shawn L. Mincer	Action	5
7	SAGE Agenda	Sarah Ben Henry Adam Sherman Matt Souza	Information	10
8	SAGE Resolution Vote	Sarah Ben Henry Adam Sherman Matt Souza	Action	5
9	Legislative Update	Ben	Information	10
10	GPSS Survey Results	Lauren Hipp	Information	10
11	Spring Social Update	Marc	Information	5
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14	Adjourn	Sarah Reyneveld	Action	1

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GPSS Senate Meeting
February 9th, 2011

1. Call to Order
 - a. **Sarah** calls the meeting to order at 5:30pm
2. Approval of the Agenda
 - a. **James** motions to amend the agenda
 - i. Delete "speaker" and change Adam's last name to "Sherman"
 - b. Seconded by **Charles Plummer**
 - c. All in favor, motion passes
3. Approval of the Minutes
 - a. **Aaron Neuman** motions to approve the minutes
 - b. Seconded by **Charles Plummer**
 - c. All in favor, motion passes
4. Elections Committee Announcement
 - a. Elections Committee ready to get running!
 - b. If you're planning on running for office next year, you can't be on this committee
 - c. Election packet needs to be approved 2 months prior to the election, which is the second meeting of May
 - i. Has to be approved by March 2nd meeting
 - d. Existing packet from last year is handy to help speed up the process
 - i. Usually very few changes year-to-year
 - e. Need at least 3 people to volunteer and work through this process
 - i. **Nicole** (Dentistry)

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Speaker: Frances Youn

Student Regent Application will be available by next Monday (March 7)

Application Deadline: April 13

Finalists Forwarded to Gov. Office:
May 1

University of Washington: Budget Update

GPSS Report March 2, 2011

Budget Update Context

- Facing \$4.6 Billion deficit over the next 2 years
- March 17th – revised budget shortfall will be announced, expected to be larger than \$4.6B
- Legislature has asked university presidents for different cut scenarios.
 - UW was asked to model out cuts in the following scenarios:
 - Governor's proposed cut of \$189 million
 - \$215 million cut
 - \$250 million cut

UW President's Response

Cuts to UW may include:

- Consolidation of the Evans School under another college, severe cut to course offerings
- Consolidation of the Information School under another college, severe cut to course offerings
- Elimination of the Foreign Language Certification for teachers in the College of Education
- Elimination of the Institute for Public Health Genetics in the School of Public Health

UW Proposed Cuts Cont'd

- Further reduction in course offerings and frequency
- Decrease in over 8,000 journal subscriptions, and 10,000 fewer book purchases annually
- Severe reduction and elimination of health and safety programs including mental health services and the night ride program
- Job loss, Increased time to degree completion, Decreased number of degrees produced

President's Rationale and Criteria

Rationale: This is a long process. If the administration does not call out specific programmatic cuts, the legislature might cut deeper.

Criteria Considered:

- High Quality
- Affordable
- Central to the Mission

Timeline

“NO DECISIONS HAVE BEEN MADE”

- We are in the evaluation process right now, and that will not be complete until the end of March.

Next Step—External

- Legislators need to hear from you that higher education should not be de-funded.
- Please contact your legislators today! Feel free to use the sample email text from the GPSS website: www.gpss.washington.edu/content/action-alerts

Next Step—Internal

Meetings:

- Town Hall—3/8, 4-5 pm
- GPSS Sponsored Stakeholder Meeting—3/8 5 pm

Targeted Advocacy:

- Letters to President and Provost
- GPSS Resolution?

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GPSS PROPOSED BUDGET FY2011-2012

Revenues	FY11
SAF Allocation:	319,000.00
Interest ¹	3,340.00
Graduate School Support for Pres. Special Assistant ²	2,000.00
Not for Tourists (funds will be deposited into 16-3222-00-1020)	2,500.00
Total Revenue	326,840.00

Notes:

1. Used 2.0% interest rate and last year's estimated General Fund balance.
2. Must request funds from Dianne Zimmer after the start of FY11.

16-9570: Administration					Budgeted
Office Supplies Total					900.00
Postage Total					100.00
Incidental Services Total ¹					100.00
Officer Materials ²					250.00
Copy Duplicating ³					1,000.00
Total Allocation					2,350.00

Notes:

1. Copy Center, Cleaning Fees, Equipment Repair.
2. Includes business cards, name tags, officer plaques.
3. M,444 Imprints @ \$0.0025 (Secretary's fund has a special projects printing budget).

16-9571: Grant Fund					Budgeted
Special Allocations - 4510					75,000.00
Departmental Allocations - 4511					7,000.00
Travel Allocations - 4512					21,000.00
Total Allocation					103,000.00

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16-9572: President's Fund				Budgeted
<i>General Programming Total</i> ¹				350.00
<i>Conference Travel Total</i> ²				2,500.00
<i>Discretionary Funds Total</i>				200.00
<i>Cell Phone Costs</i> ³				600.00
Total Allocation				3,650.00

Notes:

1. Includes such programs as President's Council, GPSS Care, Graduate Convocations (facilities, supplies, flyers)
2. For travel by the GPSS President or designee of the President's choice to conferences such as: UBSA or Sage DC conference
3. \$50 Monthly reimbursement for GPSS use of Personal cell phone

16-9573: Vice President's Fund				Budgeted
Legislative Affairs:				
<i>Travel Expenses</i> ¹				4,410.00
<i>Olympia Parking Permit Total</i>				100.00
<i>Washington Student Lobby Dues</i>				0.00
<i>Legislator Correspondence</i> ²				200.00
<i>Cell Phone Costs</i> ³				1,440.00
<i>Lobby Day Advertising</i>				750.00
<i>Conference Travel</i> ⁴				4,500.00
<i>Discretionary Funds Total</i>				100.00
Total Allocation				11,500.00

Notes:

1. Covers either 2 trips to Olympia per week (12 week session); or three months rent (\$650/mo) – 1.5 trips weekly (\$77.50/trip)
2. Stationery, envelopes, postage for letters to legislators (use VP bar codes in Office Manager drawer)
3. New line item for Slackberry use and support (T-Mobile + DSC)
4. For travel by the VP and designees of the VP's choice to conferences: Sage or UBSA

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16-0574: Treasurer's Fund				Budgeted
Programming:				
Fall and Spring Social ¹				1,500.00
Arts and Entertainment				15,000.00
Office Management:				
Audit Fees				1,600.00
Personnel Recruitment Total ²				50.00

Insurance Total				150.00
Equipment:				
Telephone Lease Total - 50301				7,920.00
Copy Machine Lease - 50344				3,012.25
Computer Equipment & Software - 50810				2,400.00
Equipment Replacement - 50810				400.00
Discretionary Funds				100.00
Total Allocation				32,132.25

Notes:

1. Funds for non-food sales
2. Classified Duty Act
3. 10,000 copies @ \$.0225

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15-9574: Treasurer's Fund				Budgeted
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Fall and Spring Social ¹				1,500.00
Arts and Entertainment				15,000.00
Office Management:				
Audit Fees				1,600.00
Personnel Recruitment Total ²				50.00

Insurance Total				150.00
Equipment:				
Telephone Lease Total - 50301				7,020.00
Copy Machine Lease - 50344				3,012.25
Computer Equipment & Software - 50810				2,400.00
Equipment Replacement - 50810				400.00
Discretionary Funds				100.00
Total Allocation				32,132.25

- Notes:
1. Funds for non-food costs
 2. Classified Daily Ads
 3. 10,000 copies @ \$.0225

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16-9576: Personnel	Wage	Hours		Budgeted
Officers:				
President's Salary ¹				\$15,250.00
Vice President's Salary ¹				\$15,250.00
Treasurer's Salary ¹				\$15,250.00
Secretary's Salary ¹				\$15,250.00
Tuition Waivers ²				\$72,307.00
Sub Total				\$133,307.00
Summer Hourly Staff				
President (Summer)	\$20.58	13.60		\$3,000.00
Vice President (Summer)	\$20.58	13.60		\$3,000.00
Treasurer (Summer)	\$20.58	13.60		\$3,000.00
Secretary (Summer)	\$20.58	13.60		\$3,000.00
Summer Office Manager	\$13.00	13.60		\$2,470.00
Summer Webmaster	\$14.00			\$840.00
Summer Exo Assistant	\$19.00			\$5,264.14
Sub Total				24,174.14
Regular Hourly Staff				
	Wages FY11	Hours FY11		
President's Executive Assistant	\$13.00	15.00		5,850.00
President's Special Assistant	\$19.79	19.60		11,577.00
Legislative Assistant	\$13.00	15.00		5,850.00
Publications Assistant	\$13.00	12.00		4,680.00
Resources Assistant	\$13.00	10.00		3,900.00
Web Developer	\$17.00	10.00		5,100.00
Policy Analyst	\$19.79	19.60		11,577.00
Events Planner	\$11.00	10.00		3,300.00
Sub Total				51,834.00

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Benefits:

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Employment Benefits Loading⁴
Stipend Benefits Loading⁵

10,565.00
8,967.00
19,532.00

Total Allocation

228,847.14

Notes:

1. GSA payola for officers
2. Tuition waiver programs one law student, one Evans, One Jackson, One Engineering + estimate tuition increase
3. Covers 14 weeks 6/11/08-9/12/08
4. 2010-2011 Employment Loading Rate: 13.9%
5. Stipend Loading Rate: 14.7%

Total GPSS Budget

327,229.39

Total Revenue

326,840.00

Possible Operating Deficit/Surplus

-389.39

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Total GPSS Budget	327,229.39
Total Revenue	325,848.00
Possible Operating Deficit/Surplus	-388.99

16-0582: General Fund	Item	Month	Budgeted
	Beginning Balance		TDB
	Allocated Insurance		25,000.00
	Programming: Arts & Entertainment		0.00
	OCHA Support		3,750.00
			0.00
			0.00

End Fund Balance

1. Beginning Balance is estimated at this point. Check with Accounting at the beginning of the fiscal year. Balance is before insurance.

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STUDENT ADVOCATES FOR GRADUATE EDUCATION (SAGE)

Graduate and Professional
Student Senate

SAGE

SAGE is a national graduate student coalition comprised of public universities, members of both the Association of American Universities (AAU) and the American Public and Land-Grant Universities (APLU). SAGE serves as an advocate and a network for graduate students at public institutions aiming to empower graduate students to meet the challenges of graduate education and to form partnerships across universities.

SAGE MISSION

Dedicated to creating a community of student leaders from the preeminent public research universities in the United States that is committed to bettering their own student bodies and promoting educational access, quality, and opportunity nationally.

SAGE GOVERNANCE HISTORY

- GPSS, Founding Members of SAGE
- Fall of 2008, Graduate Governance and Advocacy Summit, Graduate Student Government of the University of Texas at Austin
- Fall of 2009, the original members of SAGE and some additional invitees met at the University of Washington in Seattle hosted by GPSS
- Fall of 2010, SAGE delegates met at UCLA

SAGE ADVOCACY HISTORY

- In the Spring of 2009, the new members of SAGE met in Washington D.C. to advocate on behalf of their constituents
 - Priorities: access to public higher education, increasing funding for public higher education, changing the tax status for graduate students, and increasing loan forgiveness for students working in public service
- In the Spring of 2010, roughly 30 SAGE delegates from around the country met with over 100 legislators over a three-day period
 - During the time we were there, Congress introduced two bills dealing with two of our major concerns: tax exemption for graduate student fellowships and bankruptcy proceedings for student loans

PRIORITIES FOR SAGE TRIP TO D.C.

Three areas of focus this year:

- Taxation and indebtedness
- Research
- Immigration issues

Taxation and Indebtedness

- Amend tax code to redefine “Cost of Attendance” and “qualified expenses”
 - Currently many programs allow fellowships to be taxed. This change would make all fellowship expenses (including room and board) to be tax exempt instead of just tuition and fees.
- Exempt forgiven loan debt from federal taxation.
- Reduce principle on loan by 5% each year for 5 years for someone who works in a public service sector.

Research Grants

- Maintain funding for research grants provided by NSF, NEA, NASA, NIH, and NEH
- Fight against the elimination of graduate student in-school loan subsidies.

Immigration Issues

- Reform America's Broken Immigration System Act
 - Incorporates most recent version of the Dream Act
- The Staple Act
 - Authorize certain international students who have earned a Ph.D. degree from a United States institution of higher education in a field of science, technology, engineering, or mathematics to be admitted for permanent residence and to be exempted from the numerical limitations on H-1B non-immigrants.
- Immigration and Nationality Act
 - Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to end the diversity immigrant program.
 - Re-allocates those visas to certain employment-based immigrants who obtain an advanced degree in the United States

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Title: RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE GPSS FEDERAL ADVOCACY EFFORTS AND THIS YEAR'S SAGE DAY ON THE HILL.

Sponsored by: Sarah Reyneveld (GPSS President), Ben Henry (GPSS Vice President), Shawn Mincer (GPSS Secretary), Marc Jaffrey (GPSS Treasurer), Matt Souza (Business), Adam Sherman (SAGE Delegate), Aaron Naumann (Executive Senator), Charles Plummer (Executive Senator), and Paul Myoung (Executive Senator).

Resolution Number: 04.10-11

WHEREAS in the Fall of 2008, the University of Texas at Austin sponsored the 2008 Graduate Governance and Advocacy Summit, which brought together the graduate governments of the nation's preeminent public universities, including the University of Washington (UW), and created Student Advocates for Graduate Education (SAGE) in order to promote quality of life, quality of education, access, and affordability of education for graduate students at public institutions ; and

WHEREAS SAGE represents over 120,000 graduate and professional students nationwide, including over 12,000 at UW; and

WHEREAS since 2008, the UW Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS) President, Vice President and delegates have taken leadership in SAGE by hosting and attending annual planning summits, building the organizational strength of SAGE, and advocating on behalf of graduate and professional students in Washington, D.C. each spring; and

WHEREAS federal funding is critical to maintaining the quality of UW's graduate and professional programs; and

WHEREAS the Obama administration proposes to cut \$100 billion from higher education over 10 years including reducing loan subsidies for graduate and professional students by \$2 billion next year and by \$29 billion over 10 years ; and

WHEREAS the "Pledge to America" budget proposal by House Republicans would cut funding to research programs by as much as 20% for fiscal year 2011; and

WHEREAS federal student advocacy in support of graduate and professional programs is essential for the UW to maintain its status as the top public federal research funding recipient in the country.

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

THAT GPSS supports its continued leadership role within SAGE; and

THAT GPSS supports reducing graduate and professional student indebtedness through legislation to expand the income-based repayment and income; and

THAT GPSS supports allowing for the forgiveness of some student loans for graduate students who pursue careers in government, the nonprofit sector or other areas of public service; and

THAT GPSS supports restoring tax exempt status of graduate scholarships and fellowships; and

THAT GPSS supports increasing the number of H1-B visas and removing unnecessary and burdensome restrictions associated with F-1 visas; and

THAT GPSS supports international graduate and professional students through legislation that removes some restrictions on the number of H1B visas granted and that creates a path for immigrants to gain citizenship by earning a higher education degree; and

THAT GPSS supports maintaining funding for graduate student education and the more than \$1.2 billion in federally funded research grants UW receives, particularly but not limited to those provided by the NSF, NEA, NASA, NIH, CDC, Department of Defense, Department of Energy and NEH; and

THAT GPSS supports funding for graduate and professional student financial aid in light of the Obama Administration's proposed decrease in loan subsidies; and

THAT GPSS supports SAGE's efforts to fight against the elimination of graduate student in-school loan subsidies and cuts to other forms of graduate financial aid; and

THAT this resolution be forwarded to UW Interim President Phyllis Wise, UW Interim Provost Mary Lindstrom, the UW Board of Regents, UW Federal Relations Director Christy Gullion, and Washington State's congressional delegation.

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- Huskies on the Hill Day
- SB 5795: Childcare Matching Grants
- SB 5541: Commercial Parking Tax exemption
- Focus shifts to biennial budget
- Statewide lobby day on Monday



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Outreach to Graduate Students

- Organize letter-writing
- Outreach to programs
- Lobbying in Olympia
- Campus events, rallies

Communications and Outreach
Committee – meet weekly

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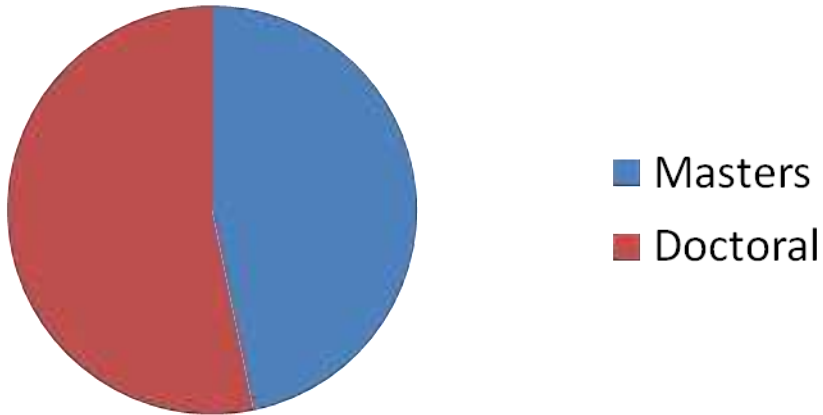
2011 GPSS Student Survey Results

GPSS Report March 2011

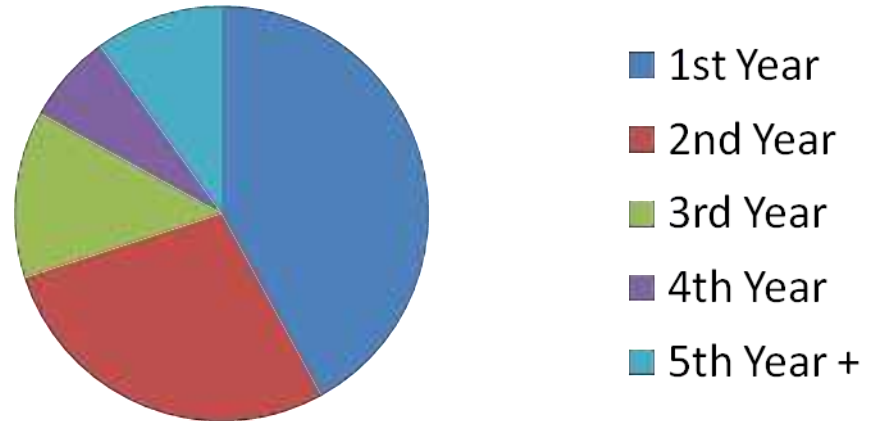
Sample Population

- 1,140 graduate and professional students

Students by Program Type



Students By Year In Program



Familiarity with GPSS

- 65% have heard of GPSS
- 55% are aware of GPSS's role in advocating for and supporting UW's graduate and professional student interests
- 15% have attended GPSS functions
- 14% have never heard of GPSS

Financial Aid

- A majority of students rely on financial aid to fund their education
 - 85% receive some sort of financial aid
- The most common form of financial aid: Loans
 - 81% of students receive loans as all or part of their financial aid package
- When asked to rank potential financial aid programs, students most often selected a partial loan forgiveness program

Student Debt

- A positive correlation between increase in student debt upon graduation and debt influencing whether a student would pursue a public interest career

Experience of Budget Cuts

- Almost half of respondents are first year students and marked that they could not comment on the effects of budget cuts
- 35% have experienced fewer class choices
- 25% have experienced a class size increase
- 13% have experience fewer student support services – clinics & centers
- 54% of TAs have experienced an increase in undergrad class size
- 40% of TAs have experienced teaching more classes per quarter
- 53% of RAs have noticed a decrease in the number of available RA positions

Student Priorities

- Affordability, access to financial aid, quality of UW as an institution, and excellence of faculty were overwhelmingly identified as very important to students
- 98% of respondents identified quality of education as very important or exceptionally important
- Why did students choose to come to UW?
 - Affordability of tuition
 - Availability of financial aid
 - Availability of a specific program
 - Prestige/ranking of UW

Students in Their Own Words

"...many classes are only offered every 2 years, students are unable to finish their program or speeding up their program to finish earlier. Many of my colleagues/aquaintances are unable to apply/start school due to funding."

"I don't know when I will be able to pay back my loans."

"With the tuition rate increase, I had to increase hours at my part time job, which detracted from my ability to participate in extracurricular learning opportunities, as well as increased my overall stress level."

"Overall I am concerned about the quality of education this university can provide with increased budget cuts."

"Tuition has increased and the quality of education has decreased."

Survey Limitations

- Only captured those who opted to respond
- Doctoral students were overrepresented by 13%
- Masters students were underrepresented by about the same
- 1st year students were overrepresented

Conclusion

- Graduate and professional students are concerned about tuition, financial aid, course offerings, class size, and overall quality
- Financial aid is a major source of funding, with loans being the most prominent
- Debt negatively affects the likelihood of pursuing a public interest career

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10 Volunteers needed

5:30PM – 10:30PM
Thursday
April 14th



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Campaign Signs May Become Collectors Items

By Miss Cellania on Nov 8, 2010 at 10:15 am



You must admit it's a name to remember: Young Boozer III. Boozer won the race for Alabama state treasurer, despite a rash of campaign sign thefts early in the campaign. It appears that college students wanted the signs for their dorms and frat houses. Boozer's campaign manager Glenda Allred said there were still signs left to be picked up after the election.

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Thanks for coming! Have a great
Spring Break!!!

