

UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON

M-01-16 Memorandum on GPSS Resolution Sponsorship and Submission Policy

To: GPSS Executive Committee From: Alex Bolton, GPSS President

Date: January 6, 2016

Subject: Resolution Sponsorship and Submission Policy

Introduction

There is not a current policy regarding who may sponsor or submit GPSS Resolutions. Lack of a policy has led to confusion recently. In order to clarify this issue, I am recommending that we have an official GPSS Policy as to who may sponsor and submit resolutions.

Policy Recommendation

I am recommending that only GPSS Senators in good standing be allowed to sponsor resolutions. Both the Faculty Senate and the ASUW Senate require that sponsors be members of the body. Furthermore, similar to the ASUW's Senate, I am proposing that we allow any UW graduate or professional student be allowed to submit a resolution, but in order to be considered, resolutions must have a senator as a sponsor. It is consistent with the structure of the body and the goals of transparency that these privileges be reserved for members of the body in good standing.

Policy Implementation

With an endorsement from the GPSS Executive Committee, this memorandum shall stand as official GPSS policy. This policy is subject to review by the GPSS (Article VI, Section A, Clause 4), and could also be amended by a majority vote of the Executive Committee.

Presented to and Approved by the GPSS Executive Committee on January 06, 2016