

GPSS Executive Committee Agenda

Wednesday, October 2, 2018 5:30 pm HUB 314

	Title	Sponsor	Info / Action	Min.
1	Call to Order	Giuliana Conti	Action	1
2	Approval of Agenda	Giuliana Conti	Action	1
Old Business				
New Business				
3	Approval of 2018-19 Goals	Amy Gabriel	Action	5
4	Executive Senator Questionnaire	Giuliana Conti	Information	5
5	Bylaw Amendment: Personnel Handbook	Sydney Pearce	Action	5
6	iPad Purchases	Kelsey Hood	Information	5
7	Poll Everywhere	Giuliana Conti	Information	10
8	Senate Meeting Agenda	Giuliana Conti	Action	15
9	Announcements	Giuliana Conti	Information	5
10	Adjournment	Giuliana Conti	Action	1
			Total min.	~73min

Officer Reports:

Kelsey Hood, Vice President of External Affairs

- Department of Homeland Security recently published their proposed rule to reduce immigration. Ultimately it states that immigrants can be denied lawful permanent resident (LPR) status if they are likely to become a public charge (i.e. received government benefits like Medicaid, or if the government anticipates they might in the future). Currently the proposed language doesn't target immigrants who have received subsidized insurance under the ACA or those that participate in WIC food and nutrition service. California has already threatened to sue and Governor Inslee has also been vocal about the topic. The rule will soon be published for a 60-day open comment period under the Federal Register. To incorporate comments usually takes a year and then the final rule will be issued.

- First LAB meeting of the quarter went well with a lot of productive discussion. Our Policy Director drafted a new timeline for the GPSS legislative agenda to be presented to Senate for a vote at the 11/7 meeting.

Sydney Pearce, Vice President of Internal Affairs

- Staff hiring and orientation is complete! We have 9 great new staff members that everyone will get to know more over the coming weeks as they get started on their first projects. We have adjusted their email addresses for consistency so please refer to the list below when contacting them.
 - gpssea@uw.edu - Executive Assistant - Medhanit Abebe
 - gpssua@uw.edu - University Affairs Director - Stephanie Becnel
 - gpssed@uw.edu - Event Director - Matt McKeown
 - gpsspol@uw.edu - Policy Director - Brittany Whitley
 - gpssod@uw.edu - Organizing Director - Abbie Shew
 - gpssom@uw.edu - Office Manager - Leslie Michaud
 - gpsscd@uw.edu - Creative Director - Stefanie Gueorguieva
 - gpsssc@uw.edu - Senate Clerk - Maddie Flood
 - gpssbs@uw.edu - Budget Specialist - Jasmine Chan
- The Resource Fair and Reception will be on October 18th from 3:00-6:00 PM in the HUB Lyceum. Marketing materials are in the works, but please start spreading the word! We need volunteers to run the check-in table as well as the GPSS table within the fair, so please watch for an email this week with shift options.
- Science and Policy Committee meetings will be set this week. Please contact me if you'd like to be on the list!
- The Graduate Student Experience Committees leadership team (me, Stephanie, Matt) will be meeting to discuss the role of the committee within GPSS and campus as well as projects for the year. We are starting with a student survey in collaboration with LAB, programming partnerships, assistance with liaison selection, and the idea for faculty/staff awards that Grant proposed a few weeks ago. Please let me know if you'd like to be a part of the committee or have ideas/suggestions!

Giuliana Conti, President

- Started meetings with the Faculty senate. There are many
- Provost Richards is really active in advocating for graduate fellowships
- The Academic Conference is coming under way and the date will be April 18/19
- My notes will be housed in my folder of the Team Drive moving forward for anyone that wants updates regularly. I will do my best to start compiling short versions I can put here, moving forward
- Thank you everyone for working together at the last meeting in my absence
- Yay staff! Shout out to Amy and Sydney for their respective orientation efforts
- Wish us luck in Austin, TX at SAGE!

Executive interests for this year:

- Budget analysis of past years. Critical analysis of current budget. Developing robust transition documents and setting up clear systems moving forward.
- Representation for departments, increased senator engagement
- More advocacy education and training; updating the website to include an external affairs page with a lot of detail; getting senators more involved in SAGE

- I'd like to focus on making the relationship between GPSS and ASUW more collaborative. I know that Graduate and Undergraduate Students face very different problems, which is why GPSS exists on its own, but ASUW represents all students and I know there is more overlap in issues than people initially realize.
- Revamp programming, staff hiring/training/management protocol
- 1. Senator orientation/training. 2. Resolution workshops.
- I think the focus for the year should be making GPSS more proactive and strategic rather than responsive and tactical, being more thankful and appreciative when good things for graduate students are done on campus
- I am interested in helping in any way I can. I will be focusing on ways to provide more GPSS resources to our health science departments, especially ones who historically have less representation.
- Access to mental health resources.
- Equity and inclusion, especially for international students (ISS fee) and in terms of financial barriers. I would also like to help streamline GPSS procedures and improve our use of parliamentary procedure in an inclusive way.