

GPSA Assembly Meeting Minutes **August 27, 2010**

PRESENT: Ackman, Adams, Bashir, Boyd, Bradley, Coplan, Estevez, Hermes, Hertzog, Jain, Kanchan, Kumar, Lei, Mercer, Monroe, Nagarkar, Nogueron, Peters, Polansky, Richardson, Rutkowski, Salazar, Salihi, Stotts, Tsai

ABSENT: Firestone, McCoy, Stahl

BY PROXY: Adam Nowak for David Calloway, Jennifer Scarduzio for Matt Savage, Asnatewa Sunni-Ali for Ebony Tucker

ATTENDING: Kelley Stewart, Kendra Knight, Conrad Ottey, Annette Jecker, Jennifer Cason for Dr. Webber

- I. Call to Order at 3:20pm
- II. Approval of the Minutes–Minutes were approved
- III. Amendments to the Agenda: None
- IV. Executive Reports
 - a. Ryan Polansky, Assembly President: Please see the published report on the GPSA website located at: <http://www.asu.edu/gpsa/assembly>. Mr. Polansky conducted a vote to determine the date of the GPSA assembly orientation meeting. The vote confirmed that the meeting will be held on Friday, September 3rd in the ARTS building, room 220 from 2:00pm – 6:00pm. He also reported 11 new assembly members joining the 2010-11 GPSA Assembly (the 8th legislative year)
 - b. Kelly Stewart, President: Please see the published report on the GPSA website located at: <http://www.asu.edu/gpsa/assembly>. Ms. Stewart also reported the Game Day Initiative is being sponsored in part by GPSA for purposes of marketing and promotion. She also suggested looking on the website if anyone is interested in joining university boards and/or committees.
 - c. Tyler Barratt, VP of Internal Affairs: Please see the published report on the GPSA website located at: <http://www.asu.edu/gpsa/assembly>. Ms. Knight introduced Erin Kube as Director of Graduate Research and mentioned information sessions that will be held on September 1st at 11:00am and 5:00pm. She mentioned the need for peer reviewers for JumpStart and Graduate Research Grants.
 - d. Conrad W. Ottey, Jr., VP of External Affairs: Please see the published report on the GPSA website located at: <http://www.asu.edu/gpsa/assembly>. Mr. Ottey introduced the Director of Student Advocacy, Rhian Stotts. Ms. Stotts mentioned that GPSA and USG are working to obtain one of the gubernatorial debates to be held on the ASU Tempe campus. Details to follow. He also mentioned GPSA is joining the NGPSA (National Graduate & Professional Student Association).
 - e. Kendra Knight, VP of Professional Development: Please see the published report on the GPSA website located at: <http://www.asu.edu/gpsa/assembly>. Ms. Knight also introduced Jennifer Marmo as the Director of Events & Awards. She extended an invitation to attend the Fall Interdisciplinary Social being held on Friday, September, 10th, downtown at Hanny’s Restaurant from 4:30pm – 6:30pm. Ms. Knight mentioned formalizing plans for a “Creating a Personal Website” workshop by Andre Denham. The date TBD.
- V. Committee Reports:
 - a. Facilities Fee Board- Please see reports on executive site of the GPSA website.

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- b. Health Center Board – Invited assembly member to go to the website that was constructed by the architects and shows the elevations for the Health Centers. The question was posed by Mr. Polansky if the Health Center Board is looking into Solar Panels? He suggested research should be done to make sure the cost/investment was going to be paid back in energy and cost savings over time.
- VI. External Reports:
- a. Academic Senate: No report
 - b. Graduate College: Jennifer Cason, Graduate College Director of Support Initiatives, introduced Debra Crusoe, the Graduate College representative that will be supporting graduate students one day a week at the Downtown, Polytechnic and West campus graduate student centers. Ms. Cason also suggesting going on the Graduate College's website: <http://graduate.asu.edu> and become acquainted with many fellowships, grants, fellowship programs etc. that are available through the Graduate College.
 - c. Undergraduate Student Government: No report
 - d. Arizona Students Association: No report
- VII. Old Business: None
- VIII. New Business:
- a. Confirmation on New Assembly Members: The assembly voted in favor of confirming:
Christy Mercer to Sustainability seat
YiRen Tsai to Herberger seat
Flurije Salihu to CLAS – Humanities seat
Dulce Estevez to CLAS – Humanities seat
Mohsin Bashir to Public Programs seat
Heidi Adams to Public Programs seat
Jeff Boyd to Engineering seat
Nyomi Lei to Engineering seat
Shamanth Kumar to Engineering seat
Ed Hermes to Law seat
Erin Hertzog to Law seat
 - b. AB #03- Referendum on Approval of GPSA Budget: Motion 1st R. Polansky & 2nd J. Richardson – various grammatical and procedural errors corrected to reflect that the ASASU Constitution and the GPSA Bylaws be worded the same. Bill passed.
 - c. AB #04 –Procedure for Amending Bylaws: Motion 1st R. Polansky & 2nd J. Richardson – to create language within the GPSA Bylaws that have the same meaning as the ASASU Constitution. For Example: Article 2: Procedure for Amending the Bylaws and Presenting Resolutions. Bill passed.
 - d. AB #05-Resolution on Presentation of Referenda: Motion 1st R. Polansky & 2nd M. Rutkowski – To correct the Referendum language. Suggested that the assembly refer to the website for the affected lines of the referendum (line 41, 42, 43, 44, 52, 53) Bill Passed.
 - e. AB #06- Amendment to GSO Funding Policy: Motion 1st R. Polansky & 2nd J. Richardson- Language that would ask graduate student organizations requesting

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funding of GPSA to supply a post event funding report as part of the funding packet requirements. Bill passed.

- IX. Graduate Student Forum
 - a. Committee assignments - initially one committee per member. These committees will be decided at the GPSA Assembly Orientation Meeting, Friday September 3rd.
 - b. ASASU Conference Committee – Mr. Polansky solicited volunteers for the ASASU Conference Committee. Christy Mercer, Mohsin Bashir, Lacey Peters, and Emily Ackman volunteered to serve on the committee.
 - c. Gubernatorial debate – Ms. Stotts reported that a series of 6 debates will be held between Gov. Jan Brewer and Terry Goddard during the election race. GPSA and USG are attempting to have one of the debates on the ASU Tempe campus.
 - d. University boards – Kelley Stewart urged Assembly Members and other interested graduate students to contact her regarding participation on University boards and committees.
 - e. Late Night Programming Committee – Jennifer Marmo solicited volunteers for ASU's Late Night Programming Committee. Assembly Member Rebecca (Becky) Coplan volunteered to participate on the committee.
- X. Announcements
- XI. Adjournment

