

GPSA Assembly Meeting Minutes September 17, 2010

PRESENT: Ackman, Adams, Bashir, Boyd, Bradley, Calloway, Coplan, Estevez, Firestone, Hermes, Jain, Kumar, Lei, McCoy, Mercer, Monroe, Nagarkar, Nogueron, Peters, Reitzel Rivera, Salazar, Savage, Tsai, Tucker

ABSENT: Hertzog, Polansky, Salihu, Stahl

BY PROXY: Varun Varshney for Raghav Kanchan, Brian Webb for Justin Richardson, Lillian Ostrach for Michael Rutkowski

ATTENDING: Kelley Stewart, Tyler Barratt, Kendra Knight, Conrad Ottey, Annette Jecker, Dan Ashlock, Dr. Webber

- I. Call to Order at 3:10pm
- II. Approval of the Minutes–Minutes were approved
- III. Amendments to the Agenda: None
- IV. Executive Reports
 - a. Ryan Polansky, Assembly President, read by Matt Savage: Please see the published report on the GPSA website located at: <http://www.asu.edu/gpsa/assembly/> . Reported on GSO funding program receiving seven applications from student organizations, three of which were heard at the Assembly Operations committee, and funded in full. Reported on the ASASU Conference Committee currently seeking an Elections Director and Assistant Elections Director. Announced referendum passed as Assembly Bill 05 and is scheduled for a special election of all ASU graduate students, available online Wednesday, September 29 from 12:00 AM til 11:59 PM.
 - b. Kelley Stewart, President: Please see the published report on the GPSA website located at: <http://www.asu.edu/gpsa/assembly/>. Reported on meeting of graduate student organization presidents with Dr. Crow to discuss university priorities from the student perspectives. Largest push, bring student services up to equitable levels. Reported on September 15 on Gov. Brewer’s visit to West Campus. Reported on GPSA tabling event, recognition to assembly members who volunteered. 25 people signed up to vote. Reported on Game Day and Presidents’ meeting on sustainability.
 - c. Tyler Barratt, VP of Internal Affairs: Please see the published report on the GPSA website located at: <http://www.asu.edu/gpsa/assembly/> Reminder: Deadline October 1 for Research Grant applications. About 200 reviewers have signed up to volunteer, call to encourage constituents to volunteer. Teacher Excellence Award nominations due today at 5:00 pm. Call for volunteers to help out with observing classrooms and reviewing teaching portfolios. Jump Start Research grant is about to start on October 1. Juried art show on October 5 at the GSC
 - d. Kendra Knight, VP of Professional Development: Please see the published report on the GPSA website located at: <http://www.asu.edu/gpsa/assembly/> Reports on meeting with David Nutt to discuss partnership with Graduate College to facilitate workshops in other campus. Reported on two completed programs, interdisciplinary social (attendance around 130) and first session of training for travel grant reviewers on Sept. 7. Announced upcoming events: workshop on personal websites for the job interview process, sold out in two hours. Announced upcoming travel grant reviewer training session. Announced dates for Research Grant Reception (November 19) and interdisciplinary winter social (December 10).

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Last Name	First Name	Assembly Seat	Roll Call	Approval of Minutes	Table AB-07	AB-08	Bring AB-07 Back to the Floor	Amend AB-07	AB-07	AB-09	AB-10
Estevez	Dulce	CLAS Humanities 2	-	-	-	2	1	1	1	1	1
Tsai	YiRen	Arts 2	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1
Salazar	Anne-Marie	At Large 1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	-
Richardson	Justin	At Large 2	1	1	3	-	1	1	1	1	1
Reitzel Rivera	Hannah	CLAS Social 2	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Jain	Vishant	Business 2	-	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	-
Polansky	Ryan	Business 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kanchan	Raghav	Business 4	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1
Boyd	Jeff	Engineering 1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1
Tucker	Ebony	Arts 1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	1	1
Monroe	Adam	CLAS Natural 1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hermes	Ed	Law 2	1	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Savage	Matthew	CLAS Social 1	1	1	-	3	-	1	1	-	1
Bradley	Jamin	Business 1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Kumar	Shamanth	Engineering 4	-	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Stahl	Jessica	Letters Sciences 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Firestone	Jonah	Education 1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Nogueron	Silvia	Education 2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Peters	Lacey	Education 3	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	1	1
Adams	Heidi	Public Programs 2	1	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	1
Salihu	Flurije	CLAS Humanities 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bashir	Mohsin	Public Programs 1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1
Lei	Nyomi	Engineering 3	-	-	1	1	1	1	3	1	2
Hertzog	Erin	Law 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rutkowski	Michael	CLAS Natural 2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
McCoy	Matthew	CTI 1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Nagarkar	Parth	Engineering 2	1	1	2	1	1	2	3	1	1
Ackman	Emily	Education 4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Coplan	Becky	New College 1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Calloway	David	Public Programs 1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mercer	Christy	Sustainability 1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1

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- V. Committee Reports:
- a. ASASU Conference Committee - M. Savage announces job position as ASASU Conference Committee: looking for candidates, request of assembly members to encourage constituents to apply. Please contact M. Savage or R. Polansky and expect an email soon
- VI. External Reports:
- a. Academic Senate: No report
 - b. Graduate College: Dr. Webber, reported students will receive an alert soon on online processes with graduate programs. Reported on Blackboard collapse over the summer, all resources have been pulled to get Blackboard running. Suggestion to share information on research grant with directors and administrators on programs, so they can distribute this information to their students. Announced National Rankings reports that will be released in October—data informing the report was collected in 2005-2006.
 - c. Undergraduate Student Government: No report
 - d. Arizona Students Association - David Martínez, extended invitation to Conference: Arizona Student Leaders, on September 24-26 in Flagstaff, AZ.
- VII. Old Business: None
- VIII. New Business:
- a. AB #07. Sports & Entertainment Law Association, 1st M. Savage & 2nd A. Monroe. Sponsor: Ed Hermes. Conference on Sports and Entertainment Law will kick off the inaugural publication of a new law journal at ASU. Questions on itemized budget lines, clarity of expenses. M. Savage moved to table AB#07, A. Monroe seconds. Motion passes.
 - b. AB #08 AXE Capoeira at ASU; 1st M. Savage, J. Bradley 2nd. Sponsor: M. McCoy. Afro Brazilian Martial Arts Dance Festival will feature skills and talents of numerous Capoeira students and masters, attendance and participation of graduate students who are also lead officers in the program. Free admission for graduate students. Funded amount: \$2000. Bill passes.
 - c. AB#07: E. Hermes moved that AB#07 be brought back from the table, motion was seconded by J. Firestone. Motion passes.
 - d. AB #07: E. Hermes moved to amend AB #07, seconded by S. Noguerón. Amendment reflects update in budget lines. Motion passes. The Assembly then voted on AB#07. Funded amount: \$2000. Bill passes.
 - e. AB #09: Law Students for Social Justice: 1st E. Hermes & M. McCoy 2nd. Sponsor: E. Hermes. Symposium “Balancing the scales of the criminal justice system” will address S.B. 1070 and H.B. 2525. This event will help launch online legal forum operated by the Law Students for Social Justice. Funded amount: \$1930. Bill passes.
 - f. AB #10. Pro Bono Board: E. Hermes 1st & A. Monroe 2nd. Sponsor: E. Hermes. Justice for All Night provides a forum to celebrate pro bono and public interest

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community, and raises funds for law students to provide services to individuals who otherwise could not afford legal services. Funded amount \$2000. Bill passes.

IX. Graduate Student Forum

- a. Conrad Ottey, Vice President of External Affairs presents report. Please see the published report on the GPSA website located at: <http://www.asu.edu/gpsa/assembly/> Currently in process of creating a graduate ad-hoc committee for the Arizona Students Association, encourages member to join. Next AZ Board of Regents Meeting is on the 23rd. Anticipating the rollout of a performance-based funding system plan. Drafted a Graduate Student Loan Debt Issues submitted by the Legislative Action Committee. Reported on plans to bring the gubernatorial candidates to Memorial Union for forum instead of debate.
- b. Proposition 107: Forum to open discussion on graduate students' stances about Proposition (Arizona Civil Rights Initiative). ASA has taken a stance in the issue. Bill will cut equal opportunity programs in higher education. Suggestions on moving this issue to External Affairs Committee. L. Peters brings up also the implications of Proposition 302 for graduate student community.
- c. Initiative for Ad-hoc Committee on International Students Issues: Y. Tsai brings up the possibility of starting a committee to support international students' concerns.

X. Announcements

XI. Adjournment at 5:20 P.M.