**Graduate and Professional Student Association**

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| GPSA 69th Assembly Meeting | Wednesday, October 2, 2019 | 6:00 pm | 108 Wartik |

 **Action Items**

* + - Claire would like to have make sure you all communicate with your Associate Dean for Graduate Education of your college
		- Please be involved and active in your committees
		- Liaison Positions will be posted on the website

 **Legislation Passed**

* + - Bill 69-09: Graduate Student Pottery Decorating
		- Bill 69-10: Fall Social Hour
		- Bill 69-11: Fall Professional Head Shots

**Agenda**

1. Call to Order - 6:00PM
2. Roll Call - Addendum I
3. Adoption of the Agenda - Adopted and Seconded
4. Approval of Past Meeting Minutes from 9/18 - moved and seconded
5. Open Student Forum
6. Special Presentations— Dr. Katharine C. Staley, Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS)
	* + CAPS Services and the Red Folders
		+ Katherine talks about grad school and the mental health issues it can cause
		+ She talked about her grad school experience and how it shaped and molded her into the person she is now
		+ Talked about the challenges of Grad School that can lead to stress such as Finances, Time management, support and living on your own
		+ Communication for Teachers is need to the students
		+ Be clear about expectations to your students, be responsible of what your report and don’t avoid talking to a student
		+ There is 5-6 week wait for CAPS for individual services
		+ This 5-6 week wait is because of the amount of students at University Park
		+ If interested in Lobbing for CAPS please have lobby for CAPS to all be in one building
		+ Very difficult to manage 3 different spaces
		+ Please pass along the information of CAPS to students
		+ If urgent we will see them that day or the next day
		+ Please help refer that student if the student shows signs of potential mental health
		+ Please remember you can be the factor to help better a student if they seem to have issues keeping up in class
		+ If you have a difficult situation with a student please see that student in person
		+ Continue to support that student if they have issues
		+ Send email reminders to students to come to class if they show signs of distress and not going to class
		+ Place 100% of your attention on that student that is in need of distress in face to face interactions
		+ You can call CAPS if you concerned about a student
		+ What does CAPS do - Offer Ice Hacks, CAPS chat, Weekly drop ins, session clinics, rapid access urgent issues and provide short term individual counseling.
		+ Call 814-863-0395 for scheduling and screening call
		+ PSU Crisis hotline 1-877-229-6400
		+ Crisis Textline - Text LIONS to 741741
		+ Red Folder - Has the resources for when you are teaching your classes to helps students
		+ Behavior threat management team - if someone is on the radar for potential threats for themselves
7. Executive Officer Reports
	1. President—Claire Kelling
		* Career Exploration workshop - please attend
		* White Course Apartments rate for one room in a quad is $900. We will have a meeting about this with senior leaders.
		* Stipend equity report is promised to me by the end of the week
		* The Governor is hosting a food security event in Harrisburg next Tuesday from 9:30-5pm need a GPSA representative there if possible
		* Please communicate with your Associate Dean for Graduate Education of your college
		* Please be involved and active in your committee
	2. Vice President—Charles Tierney
		* Looked over the agent for food security and there will be programs and presentations for this event and network as well
		* Liaison positions will be posted on the Website
		* The national relation labor board talked unionizing when I went to the meeting
		* You have 60 days to leave a comment at [regulation.gov](http://regulation.gov)
	3. Treasurer—Alex Zhao
		* If you have reimbursements for events
		* We have not received your allocation

 d. Secretary—Fuzzy Williams-McKenzie

* + - You have new name tags
		- If you name is spelled incorrectly please let me know
	1. Faculty Senate—Star Sharp - Has not Met
	2. Graduate Council—Alexander Wilson-Heid - N/A - have not met
1. New Business
	1. New Delegate Confirmations
		* Adilson Gonzalez M. - At-Large - Wants to have an impact in the people that he interacts with and also likes how GPSA tackles issues
		* Diego Hernandez - Liberal Arts - Wants to push for advocacy in diversity and conclusion and interested in eliminating the GRE which he have done in his department and is interested in advocacy committee
		* Nicole Strock - Health and Human Development- wants to contribute to the conversation and is interested in professional development committee
		* Renato Guadamuz - At -Large - Involved in different committees and wants to get more human interaction and the professional development committee, outreach committee
		* Kshitij Dawar - EMS- Wants to hear the voice of my college (EMS) and is interested in professional development committee
		* Chloe McGuire - Libral Arts - Involved with Diego in GRE, advocacy and diversity
		* Vieux Toure - At Large - from Senegal and wants to join GPSA due to lack of diversity and is interested in advocacy
		* Question by Alex W. H. - Do you think you can recruit in your college with being 4th and 5th year grad student ? - Diego H. - Yes the experience to pass down knowledge is
		* Claire - A lot of at large people, we do need help in advocacy and diversity, a lot of energy to give is why these people are here. I have confidence in everyone
		* We can have 5 at Large and if everyone is confirmed we will have 4 out 5
		* Motioned moved to have for unanimous consent to have all delegates confirmed

* 1. Bill 69-09: Graduate Student Pottery Decorating
		+ Wants to give GPSA a since of community to help students destress
		+ 2000 degrees will be the place where this happens
		+ Pottery vouchers is $15 x 40= $600
		+ Studio Reservation (Per Person): $6x40= $240
		+ Total is $840
		+ Date will be October 24th
		+ Tickets can be sent out in a google form
		+ Ticket Prices range from $6-$25
		+ Good idea to have o]in the weekend and one on the week day
		+ Guaranteed space for 20 people
		+ Alex Z. - the language should be changed in the bill to a more broad days such as later days in Late October
		+ Motion moved to admen the bill to "2 later dates in Late October"
		+ Motion made to amend time to the evening and seconded
		+ Motion to amend the capitalize the “D” in 2000 degrees in the bill
		+ Motion made to 20 grad students per night
		+ Line 14 to change to “graduate students” to “graduate and professional students”
		+ Motion to approve by unanimous consent and passed

* 1. Bill 69-10: Fall Social Hour
		+ Try to bring together graduate and professional students together
		+ Room reservation fee: $150
		+ Nacho Bar: $125
		+ Veggie Tray (v): $100
		+ Skillet Fries (gf): $75
		+ Wrap Bites: $100
		+ Non-alcoholic beverages: $65
		+ Subtotal: $615
		+ Gratuity (18%): $110.70
		+ Total: $725.70
		+ Happy hour event will happen at CAFE 210
		+ Dietary accessibility for those in need will be considered
		+ Everyone has to be 21 and above
		+ Exam Week for Some students must be considered- Jasper Cannon
		+ Not much flexibility with the the date
		+ Motion made to change the time to 5-7PM from 5:30-7:30PM
		+ Motion to capitalize “programming committee” in line 12
		+ Motion to delete the “th” in line 14
		+ Menu options will be in the slack, If there is something you don’t like in the menu please contact Grace Usher
		+ Paying for this across different credit cards and will be reimbursed later
		+ Motion to approve legislation by unanimous consent

* 1. Bill 69-11: Fall Professional Head Shots
		+ Michael Davis will be the photographer
		+ Photography Service: $800 ($125/hour x 6 hours + $50 set up fee)
		+ HUB set up fee: $140 ($70/day)
		+ Facebook Advertising: $60
		+ Total: $1,000
		+ Looking to book rooms in the HUB
		+ Is there a need for Facebook advertising ?- $60 will go to advertising
		+ Jasper Cannon -6 hours is long will this be useful and will it fill up? - Brianne Pragg: Yes it Will
		+ Motion made in Line 15 remove in November 4 ”th”
		+ Motion to approve by unanimous consent

* 1. Resolution 69-01: Constitutional Amendment: Faculty Senators
		+ In the past we had both of our faculty senators by GPSA
		+ Propose to change the voted GPSA faculty senator to not be a voting member of the GPSA executive board
		+ Faculty senators have never voted
		+ We will revisit at next assembly meeting on the 16th
1. Reports
	1. Speaker of the Assembly – Terry Torres Cruz
		* Bills and resolution to to be sent to me by the Saturday of assembly by 8AM
		* If you need more time please let me know
		* Need to submit 72 hours before assembly
		* When we have resolution you should discuss this with your colleges
		* The further you get it to us the quicker we can get it back to you
	2. Committees
		1. **Advocacy and Human Diversity – Amanda Burton**
		* If any if the new delegates are interested in joining please let me know
		* We are trying to get the new GRE policy out in 8 days
		* Leave of absence policy as well we are trying tot get out
		1. **Professional Development – Rob Griggs (Hannah Nolte spoke in place of Rob)**
		* Meetings are at 7PM on Thursday
		* If you have any new idea please let us know
		1. **Programming – Arghajeet Saha**
		* Selected events for the events that got approved are on the way
		* Wanted to present the TED Bill today but couldn’t get TED to response on time
		* We Will discuss tailgate game
		1. **Community Service – Trevor Bero**
		* We will have a Bill coming up for PSU-MSU blood drive challenge
		* If you are interested please talk to us on Slack
		* Individuals projects : Blood Drive , Steven - Helping the homeless
		1. **Internal Development – David Dopfel**
		* If you haven’t read the constitutional development we will be voting on this in the next meeting
		* We will have a new document on how GPSA functions, If you have any issues please let us know
	3. **Liaisons**
		* + Grace (Canvas) - Meeting last Thursday , If you have any questions or comments about canvas contact Grace, The board makes changes and implements features,
			+ Brianne (Faculty Senate ) - Student advisory board
			+ enrollment up 4.2 %
			+ Some GA’s got a message of changing the staff message
			+ September premium was ducted from your paychecks and not being changed more than they should be
			+ Talked about adding the premium breakdown to the website
			+ Commission for equity - Long conversation with HR and the Family leave act
			+ HR feels no responsibility for grad students for any matter
			+ If you have a HR realties issue you need to talk to the graduate school
			+ Working on a resolution for that to go under the graduate schools leave policy
	4. Judiciary—The Honorable Nick Dietrich
		* + Please look at David’s call for Faculty senator suggestion
	5. Student Trustee – Bryan Culler
	6. Advisor—Adam Christensen
		* + Good to see the assembly really Full
			+ Love the passion in the room
2. Comments for the Good of the Order
	* + - Can you please post liaison positions on the website of everyone
3. Adjournment -7:37 PM

President – Claire Kelling | cek32@psu.edu Treasurer – Alex Zhao | yazhao@psu.edu

Vice President – Charles Tierney | cjt47@psu.edu Secretary – Fuzzy Williams-McKenzie | dsw5180@psu.edu Advisor – Adam Christensen, Ph.D. | aec187@psu.edu Speaker – Terry Torres Cruz | tjt33@psu.edu

 **Addendum I -Roll Call Attendance**

P = Present A= Absent E= Excused L= Late PR= Proxy

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| **Office** | **Name** | **10/2/2019** |
| **Executive Board** |  |  |
| President | Claire Kelling | P |
| Vice President | Charles Tierney | P |
| Secretary | Darius Williams-McKenzie | P |
| Treasurer | Alex Zhao | P |
| Faculty Senator | Brianne Pragg | P |
| Faculty Senator (Appointed) | Star Sharp | E |
| **Judiciary** |  |  |
| Chief Justice | Nick Dietrich | P |
| Associate Justice | Michelle Massey | E |
| Associate Justice | Lisa Cumming | L |
| **Graduate Council** |  |  |
| Graduate Council | Baily Thomas (Engineering) | L |
| Graduate Council | Arghajeet Saha (Ag. Sci.) | P |
| Graduate Council | Alexander Wilson-Heid (IGDP) | P |
| Graduate Council | Catherine Okafor (Education) | P |
| Graduate Council | Katie Warczak (Liberal Arts) | P |
| **Assembly** |  |  |
| Agricultural Sciences | Mandy Burton | P |
| Agricultural Sciences | Terry Torres Cruz | P |
| Art & Architecture | Melissa Leaym-Fernandez | E |
| Communications | Litzy Galarza | P |
| Earth and Mineral Sciences | Kshitij Dawar | P |
| Earth and Mineral Sciences | VACANT |  |
| Eberly College of Science | Santina Cruz | P |
| Eberly College of Science | Yasha Duggal | P |
| Eberly College of Science | Grace Usher | P |
| Education | Azaria Cunningham | E |
| Education | Rob Griggs | E |
| Education | Aaron Rill | P |
| Engineering | Bahman Sheikh | P |
| Engineering | Min Gyung Yu | P |
| Engineering | Jon Young | P |
| Engineering | Hannah Nolte | P |
| Engineering | Zafar Anwar | P |
| Health and Human Development | So Young Park | A |
| Health and Human Development | Nicole Strock | P |
| Information Sciences and Technology | Richard Caneba | P |
| Inter-Collegiate Degree Program | Steven Baksa | P |
| Inter-Collegiate Degree Program | David Dopfel | P |
| Liberal Arts | Trevor Bero | P |
| Liberal Arts | Chloe McGuire | P |
| Liberal Arts | Diego Hernandez | P |
| Nursing | VACANT |  |
| School of International Affairs | Rufina Roy | P |
| School of Law | Bailey Cole | A |
| School of Law | VACANT |  |
| School of Law | VACANT |  |
| Smeal College of Business | Jasper Cannon | P |
| At-Large Delegate | Divyasree Pai | P |
| At-Large Delegate | Adilson González M. | P |
| At-Large Delegate | Vieux Toure | P |
| At-Large Delegate | Renato Guadamuz  | P |