

Bill # 71-11

**The Graduate and Professional Student
Association(GPSA)
The Pennsylvania State University**



of the 71st Assembly

September 29, 2021

Be it decided by the Assembly of Elected Delegates,

PRIDE Brunch

Funding for food, drinks and park registration

(Decided: [Y / N / A])

Nature of the Situation:

Each year, the Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA) provides events that enrich graduate and professional student life at Penn State and create a sense of community across various departments and colleges. To continue in this tradition, the Advocacy and Diversity Committee of GPSA would like to host a PRIDE event. This event builds a sense of community among LGBTQ+ graduate and professional students by offering them the opportunity to meet while sharing a meal and participating in recreational activities. The event also helps GPSA establish a presence with new and returning graduate and professional students and allows them to establish contact with the GPSA representatives of their colleges. Establishing contact with their representatives would then allow graduate and professional students to easily approach their delegates with issues that could arise over the course of their tenure at Penn State.

Recommended Course of Action:

The Graduate and Professional Student Association authorizes the Advocacy and Diversity Committee to purchase the following items for a family friendly PRIDE picnic during the fall semester at a local park, circumstances permitting.

1 Penn State is resuming in-person activities in the fall. As a committee, we have
2 agreed that this is the best method for us to be more effective in the Graduate and
3 Professional student body. In the event that the PRIDE picnic cannot be held in-
4 person during the fall semester, the Advocacy and Diversity Committee will try to
5 organize an event in person as soon as is feasible.
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7 Pizza, with a gluten free pizza option, from a local business within State College:
8 \$200
9 Garden Salad: \$100
10 Fresh Fruit Tray: \$60
11 Park Pavilion Registration (\$20/hr x 3hr minimum): \$60
12 Drinks: \$40
13 Paper products and other miscellany (cups, plates, utensils, chips): \$50
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15 **Total: \$510**
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Respectfully submitted,

Shah Soligné
Delegate, School of International Affairs

President _____ Affirm
Veto

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