



Graduate Student Senate  
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## **GSS General Assembly Meeting Agenda Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

### **Handouts**

- General Assembly Minutes: March 5<sup>th</sup>
- Resolution 2010.S3: Print Responsibly
- Resolution 2010.S4: Support for Ohio's Third Frontier Program
- Resolution 2010.S5: Support for Exploring the Development of a Rental Car Program
- Resolution 2010.S6: Request from the Graduate Student Body
- Resolution 2010.S7: Support for an Opt-In Shuttle Services Fee
- Resolution 2010.S8: Support for the Ohio Higher Education Rail Network
- Resolution 2010.S9: Support for the Partial Shuttle Services Fee (on-site handout)
- Bill 2009-2010.S1: Constitution and Bylaws Revisions (on-site handout)
- Bill Amendment 2009-2010.S1: Constitution and Bylaws Revisions – Censured Departments (on-site handout)
- Election Application Information (on-site handout)
- GSS Constitution and Bylaws
- Charles E. Shanklin Colloquium Flyer (on-site handout)

### **Agenda**

- Guest Speakers
  - Center for Teaching and Learning
  - Roger Shope (OHERN)
  - Barbara Hofmann (Health Center)
- Roll Call (*Senators not present at roll call must see the Parliamentarian at the end of the meeting*)
  - Departments/Organizations at Risk of Censure: Applied Statistics and Operations Research; Computer Science; Education Teaching and Learning (Reading); Geology; Graduate Studies in Business; HMSLS, Psychology, Romance and Classical Studies; Higher Education Administration and Doctoral Students, Queer Grads, World Student Association
  - Departments/Organizations Censured: Accounting and MIS, Art, Economics, Family and Consumer Sciences, Intervention Services, College of Technology, African American Graduate Student Association, African Peoples' Association, Graduate Writers Club
  - Departments/Organizations on Probationary Status: Chinese Students and Scholars Association, India Student Association
- Approval of the March 5, 2010 Minutes

- Old Business
  - R2010.S3: Print Responsibly (Second Reading)
  - R2010.S4: Support for Ohio's Third Frontier Program (Second Reading)
  - R2010.S5: Support for Exploring the Development of a Rental Car Program (Second Reading)
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    - Amendment B2009-2010.S1: Constitution and Bylaws Revisions – Censured Departments
  - Nominations for Elections
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    - Secretary
    - Treasurer
    - Graduate Allocations Representative
    - Representatives-at-large (2)
  - Other items of new business
- University and Faculty Senate Committee Reports
  - Information Technology Committee
 

Tell us what you think about technology at BGSU. All faculty, staff, and students are invited to follow the link provided below and complete a survey providing feedback about technology at BGSU. Completing the survey will also give you the opportunity to be in a drawing for a great prize. Prize options include an iPad, Dell Notebook, iPod Touch or a \$500, \$200, or \$100 Visa gift card. The survey should

take about five minutes to complete and is available at:  
<http://survey.bgsu.edu/surveys/ir/itcsurvey/itcsurvey.htm>

Please complete the survey by 5 p.m. on April 2 and you will be entered into a drawing to win one of the 4 available prize options. Entries are limited to one per person. No personal information will be recorded in relation to answers provided in the survey. Further information and details are available at the Information Technology Committee web page: [www.bgsu.edu/organizations/itc](http://www.bgsu.edu/organizations/itc)

- Other Committee Reports
- Senate Executive Council (SEC) Reports
  - President – Carl Walling (wallinc@bgsu.edu)
    - Graduate organizations that wish to promote their organization's functions in the written announcements section within the GSS agenda should contact Carl by Monday at 3.00pm on the week of General Assembly.
    - Nominations will remain open until elections on April 9<sup>th</sup>. GSS elects seven officers to serve a one-year term. These positions include:
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      - Graduate Allocations Representative (*pending B2009-2010.S1*)
      - Representatives-at-large (2)

Please see Carl or Michael for more information. Carl will be available immediately after the General Assembly to answer any questions about SEC officer positions and elections.

- We have received 25 abstract submissions for the Graduate Student Colloquium. There is a strong diversity of academic disciplines in the submissions (including American Culture Studies, Biological Sciences, Criminal Justice, English, History, Media & Communications, Mathematics, Music, Photochemistry, Psychology, and Theatre).
- The Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program has a doctoral graduate assistantship available for Summer 2010. If interested please send a cover letter, resume/CV, and contact information for three references to Carlos Northern, Practicum Graduate Assistant, Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program at [canorth@bgsu.edu](mailto:canorth@bgsu.edu). Click here for complete contact information and position details.
- The Women's Center has a 2010-11 graduate assistantship position. Applications will be accepted until April 10, 2010. If interested please contact Dr. Mary Krueger at [mkruege@bgsu.edu](mailto:mkruege@bgsu.edu). Click here for complete contact information and application details.
- Project Search has a full-time academic year assistantship opening. For consideration, please send a cover letter, resume and contact information for 3 references to Dr. Lisa C. Chavers, Assistant Dean and Director of Project Search. Click here for complete contact information and position details.

- BGSU Cheerleading has an assistant coach position available. Collegiate cheer experience is required for the position. If you are interested in the position, please visit our web-page for more information and contact Anne Marie King at [ameiers@bgsu.edu](mailto:ameiers@bgsu.edu).
- Vice President – Michael Landis ([mlandis@bgsu.edu](mailto:mlandis@bgsu.edu))
  - Student Organization Registration 2010 – 2011
 

It's that time of year again! All student organizations are required to renew their registration for the upcoming 2010-2011 academic year. Remember that the 2010-2011 Organization Contract and the on-line registration are due to the Office of Campus Activities before registration can be completed. For the returning organizations, an annual report must be submitted with the on-line registration. *Furthermore, it is strongly encouraged that student organizations register after the leadership for academic year 2010-2011 has been decided.*

Please follow this link to register you organization for the 2010-2011 academic year:  
<http://www.bgsu.edu/offices/sa/getinvolved/page62439.html>

Questions or concerns can be addressed to [involved@bgsu.edu](mailto:involved@bgsu.edu).
- Secretary – Gary Washington
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  - Summer FPD Application Window will open on March 19 and close on April 2, 2010. We will award funding for summer FPD activities that take place from May 3<sup>rd</sup> to August 25<sup>th</sup>.
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- Academic Affairs – Irina Seceleanu
- International and Multicultural Affairs – Emily Wyatt
- Local, Regional, and National Affairs –Ellen Rooney
- Student Affairs – Rachelle Barr

- Academic and Professional Development – Elizabeth Sherwood
- Publicity Chair – Andrew Wilhelm
- Announcements
- Adjournment

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### **Handouts**

- General Assembly Minutes: February 19<sup>th</sup>
- Charles E. Shanklin Colloquium Packet (non-juried)
- Graduate Student Awards Poster
- Graduate Professional Development Day Poster
- Resolution R2010.S1: Graduate Student Trustee: Duties
- Resolution R2010.S2: Graduate Student Trustee Application Process and Qualifications
- Resolution R2010.S3: Print Responsibly
- Resolution R2010.S4: Support for Ohio's Third Frontier Program
- Resolution R2010.S5: Support for Exploring the Development of a Rental Car Program
- Resolution R2010.S6: Request from the Graduate Student Body
- McNair Assistantship Application
- University of Toledo Symposium
- Joining Forces to Serve Student Veterans Flyer
- GSS Newsletter – March

### **Guest Speakers**

- Call to Order: 3:01pm
- Dr. Kenneth Borland-Provost of the University

Unionization of the Faculty, faculty/staff communication, discussion on faculty unionization efforts. We will update this webpage with information and perspectives over time. 5<sup>th</sup> yr graduate funding for PhD funding: Is mostly an issue for the sciences. Majority of finishing degrees in the sciences in the 4yrs however some projects take an unexpected turn. Improve policy, communication, and progress on graduate assistantships. Brain storm: better prepare graduate students after they finish their degrees.

- Campus Master Plan Update

A electronic packet will be prepared for electronic distribution for GSS by the presenters.

Questions/Answer:

Q. How Graduate students at large who are going to be teaching assistants with the Cue committee for post teaching opportunities? –Irina S. (Academic Affairs Chair)

A. Great level of expectation and appreciation for those pedagogies, and we will have faculty and staff development. We will make sure graduate students are prepared as best as we can.  
Dr. Joseph Oravec (Assoc. VP for Student Affairs)

▪ Chief Wiegand-Parking and Traffic (Director, Public Safety/Chief of BGSU Police)

The Shuttle Fee allows \$478,000 to go back to parking maintenance. This was initially an undergraduate student concern, and we have had many meetings with Graduate Student Senate representatives. This new proposal asks Graduate Student Senate to consider a lower fee of 5.00. Chief Wiegand also looked at the feasibility of eco-friendly (hybrid) buses, as he would like to work with technology and get more eco-friendly buses for campus (using the EVI group on-campus). If we don't implement a shuttle service fee, the campus will need to restrict our usage.

Questions/Answer:

Q. BGSU Summer Session and Shuttle Services where has that conversation been? - Gary Washington (Secretary)

A. We just decided to look at fall and spring semester, summer will not be included.

Q. If the \$20 fee doesn't pass, will we lose stops on the shuttle route? And have you looked at pay as you go?

A. We will reduce stops and pay as you go does not seem to be economically feasible

Q. Focus in on which routes are most popular, if we don't do pay as you go? Semester pass? Have we looked at who those students who use the shuttle and making a student package?

▪ Roll Call (*Senators not present at roll call must see the Parliamentarian at the end of the meeting*)

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▪ Approval of the February 19<sup>th</sup> Minutes: Motion to Approve: Passes

**Old Business**

▪ R2010.S1- Graduate Student Trustee: Duties (second Reading)

After discussion, the resolution was brought to a vote with 31 senators in favor, 0 senators against, and 0 abstentions. The resolution passes.

▪ R2010.S2- Graduate Student Trustee: Application Process and Qualifications (Second Reading)

After discussion, the resolution was brought to a vote with 31 senators in favor, 0 senators against, and 0 abstentions. The resolution passes.

**New Business**

▪ R2010.S3: Print Responsibly (first reading)

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- Readmission of Censured Departments/Graduate Organizations
  - The senator from the India Student Association petitioned the general assembly for readmission. Motion was made to readmit and seconded. The motion passes. India Student Association is readmitted and placed on probationary status for three meetings.
- Discussion on Shuttle Service Fee
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- We have received 57 paper submissions for the Shanklin Award for Research (compared to 36 submissions last year). There is a strong diversity of academic disciplines in the submissions.
- The next deadline for the Shanklin Colloquium will be extended to Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 5.00pm. Interested graduate students should submit a page-long abstract and the requested cover sheet to the GSS Office (402 Bowen Thompson Student Union).



- The deadline for GSS Awards will also be extended to Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5.00pm. GSS is looking for nominations
- New service for graduate students -- University Libraries staff will scan book chapters and articles from materials owned by University Libraries and deliver them to graduate students electronically via email. Submit requests electronically through ILLiad (interlibrary loan)  
<https://bgsu.illiad.oclc.org/illiad/logon.html>

Remember also to request materials not available through the BGSU or OhioLINK catalogs via traditional Interlibrary loan using the ILLiad link from the libraries home page. Whenever possible, these materials will be sent to you electronically.

- Vice President – Michael Landis (mlandis@bgsu.edu)
  - “The Office of Campus Activities announces Student and Organizational Awards! Every registered student organization and student leader is encouraged to apply for these awards. The deadline to apply is 5:00pm on Monday, March 15, 2010. All completed award applications should be submitted to the Office of Campus Activities, 401 Bowen-Thompson Student Union. Organization awards and most individual awards are based on the 2009-2010 academic year.
  - Link to Awards: <http://www.bgsu.edu/offices/sa/getinvolved/page12036.html>.”
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- Student Affairs – Rachelle Barr
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### **Announcements**

**Adjournment:** Meeting motioned to adjourn at 4.50pm, seconded.

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**Bowling Green State University  
Graduate Student Senate Resolution 2010.S3**

**Print Responsibly Campaign**

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate believes that the Print Responsibly campaign has the potential to reduce the amount of wasteful printing on the BGSU campus, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate is eager to support any campaign that has the potential to benefit the University, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate recognizes that graduate students perform many supportive roles that are essential in realizing the fulfillment of the mission of Bowling Green State University including, but not limited to, teaching and research, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate recognizes that the graduate student body composes a substantial percentage of Bowling Green State University's instructors, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate would like to ensure that these graduate student instructors are able to give the highest quality of education to their students, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate recognizes that in order to ensure a high quality education, graduate student instructors require the ability to print materials for the courses they instruct including but not limited to syllabi, notes, quizzes, and exams, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate believes that requiring graduate students to pay for printing may inhibit their ability to print materials necessary for providing the highest possible quality of education, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate recognizes that graduate research assistants provide essential support in maintaining the status of Bowling Green State University as a competitive research institution, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate recognizes that in order to be as effective as possible, research assistants require the ability to print relevant papers as a part of their service to the University, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate recognizes that course work is an essential part of graduate work at BGSU, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate believes that requiring graduate students to pay for printing materials for the courses they are taking may inhibit their ability to print these materials, thus diminishing the quality of graduate education at Bowling Green State University, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate thus recognizes the large volume of printing required of graduate students to fulfill their academic, research, and pedagogical responsibilities, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate is strongly committed to reducing the amount of wasteful printing done by the student community, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate is committed to ensuring that graduate students are able to accomplish the above with the highest possible quality and without being inhibited by increased cost;

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Graduate Student Senate believes it to be in the best interest of the graduate student body, and the BGSU community as a whole, that a quota system be established for all printing on campus, provided that the base quota for graduate students be set at no less than 1200 pages per semester or 75 pages per week, thus supporting the continued success of BGSU graduate students, and

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED that in the case of graduate students who may have printing needs that exceed the stated graduate quota, the department in which that graduate student is enrolled be given the opportunity to appeal for a larger department quota according to their need.

Submitted by:     Jonathan Bartholomy, Senator: American Culture Studies  
                         Joanna West, Senator: Political Science  
                         Anna Gustisus, Senator: Mathematics and Statistics  
                         Steve Dinda, Representative-at-Large  
                         Chanelle Vigue, Representative-at-Large  
                         Eric Miller, Graduate Allocations Representative



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**Bowling Green State University  
Graduate Student Senate Resolution 2010.S4**

**Support for the Ohio Third Frontier Program**

WHEREAS, research conducted by the Center for Economic Development at Cleveland State University has shown a growing market for high-tech industries in spite of a recession economy, and

WHEREAS, the state of Ohio wishes to be a national leader for the growth of such an industry which will certainly strengthen the economy, and

WHEREAS, the universities across the state of Ohio are a major driving force for the development of this sector, and

WHEREAS, the growth of this industry will lead to a higher demand for qualified individuals that possess the skills necessary to work in high-tech fields, and

WHEREAS, the sustained growth of the industry and success of such an endeavor is unquestionably governed by the quality of the professional development that individuals, who will work in these fields, receive at universities across the state of Ohio, and

WHEREAS, an investment in the individuals through the universities across the state of Ohio in which they are trained will make the continued success and growth of this industry a reality.

LET IT BE THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Graduate Student Senate supports the commitment made to the universities across the state of Ohio by the third frontier program.

ALSO, LET IT BE RESOLVED that Graduate Student Senate will endorse the Third Frontier Program and will communicate this support to local and state government officials.

Submitted by:     Steve Dinda, Representative at Large  
                         Rachelle Barr, Student Affairs Chair  
                         AJ Wilhelm, Publicity Chair  
                         Ellen Rooney, Local, Regional, National Affairs Chair



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**Bowling Green State University**  
**Graduate Student Senate Resolution 2010.S5**

Support for the development of a Rental Car Program at BGSU

WHEREAS, the GSS in its desire to serve the student body of BGSU seeks to expand the services that are available to the student body, and

WHEREAS, a service that has the potential to be beneficial to the student body is access to rental cars at an affordable price, and

WHEREAS, such a service could eliminate the need of students to have a car on campus if they so choose, and

WHEREAS, such a program would give access to transportation to the student body for the purpose of professional development, and

WHEREAS, several universities across the United States have rental car programs, these include: Ohio State University, Pepperdine University, the University of Kentucky, Illinois State University, and Susquehanna University which have rental car programs through the Connect by Hertz program; as well as the University of Michigan, Indiana University, Yale University, University of Virginia, and University of Illinois which have rental car programs through Zip Car.

WHEREAS, the GSS recognizes that many constituency groups would be involved in such an undertaking, and

WHEREAS, the GSS strongly desires that before such a program implemented that all relevant groups be involved to ensure that such a program is not deleterious to their interests.

LET IT BE THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the GSS wishes that there be a committee formed to explore possible rental car companies to rent cars to the students of BGSU, and

LET IT BE FUTHER RESOLVED THAT this committee should consist of representatives from USG, GSS, administration, and parking services to ensure that each of the interested parties will benefit from such an arrangement

Submitted by: Steve Dinda, Representative at Large  
Anna Gustisus, Senator: Mathematics



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**Bowling Green State University  
Graduate Student Senate Resolution 2010.S6**

Request from the Graduate Student Body

WHEREAS, on February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010 members of the Bowling Green State University Faculty Association notified the university of their desire to unionize, and

WHEREAS, Graduate Student Senate acknowledges a peer constituency group of faculty have the right to consider taking steps on behalf of their constituents, and

WHEREAS, Graduate Student Senate respects the autonomy of constituency groups (be they for undergraduate students, graduate students, faculty, administrative staff and classified staff) to advocate for their respective groups with the university administration, and

WHEREAS, Graduate Student Senate recognizes that any change in the structure or dynamic of any constituency group at Bowling Green State University may also change the atmosphere of shared governance; and

WHEREAS, Graduate Student Senate, as a constituency group, recognizes the need to have continued dialogue between the administration and the various constituency groups

WHEREAS, Graduate Student Senate recognizes the need to preserve the equal voice of all parties in shared governance.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, that Graduate Student Senate will remain neutral regarding any change in constituency organizations while acknowledging and respecting all rights to such change, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Graduate Student Senate neither supports nor denies support of any parties partaking in upcoming shared governance discussions, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Graduate Student Senate is concerned about all possible impacts, be they from change or otherwise, on the student body's participation within Bowling Green State University's shared governance process, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Graduate Student Senate should be kept abreast of all developments in deliberations between university faculty and administration, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Graduate Student Senate the Graduate Student Senate will consider all developments carefully, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Graduate Student Senate asks both the faculty and the administration that any rigorous and respectful deliberations between each group will consider the impact of future choices on the student body as a whole, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that regardless of the result of these deliberations Graduate Student Senate fully expects to have no less of a role in shared governance, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Graduate Student Senate hopes that future deliberations will also consider what will be best for university's long-term growth and the continued academic success of all Bowling Green State University students.

Submitted by:     Kyle J. Holody, Senator: Media and Communication Studies  
                         Jared C. Brown, Senator: Popular Culture  
                         Anna M. Gustitus, Senator: Mathematics and Statistics





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**Bowling Green State University**  
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**Support for an Opt-In Shuttle Fee**

WHEREAS, in the Fall of 2009, the Graduate Student Senate passed resolution F2009.R4 which recognizes the utility of the Bowling Green State University Shuttle service, the needs of Parking and Transportation Services, and the Undergraduate Student Government's desire for the addition of a late-night downtown shuttle route, and

WHEREAS, F2009.R4 resolves that "the Graduate Student Senate does not support a Shuttle and Transportation fee levied indiscriminately as to individual student use of the Shuttle Service," and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate recognizes that the Undergraduate Student Government passed legislation in the fall of 2009 supporting an expansion of the Bowling Green State University shuttle service to include said late-night downtown route for the benefit of their constituency, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate recognizes that there is a population of graduate students that currently utilizes the shuttle service that may also benefit from the said late-night downtown route, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate believes that an expansion of the Bowling Green State University shuttle service to include the late-night downtown route as proposed by the Undergraduate Student Government has the potential to benefit the entire student body, and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Senate commends the Undergraduate Student Government's efforts and the cooperation of Chief Wiegand and representatives from Parking Services to make the said shuttle expansion a reality.

**THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED** that provided:

- I. The shuttle and transportation fee only be levied upon Graduate Students that choose to utilize the Shuttle service through an Opt-in system, and
- II. That the opt-in fee for each graduate student as determined by parking services is no greater than the fee paid by each undergraduate student, and
- III. That Graduate Student Senate is allocated voting representation on every committee that regulates the shuttle service,
- IV. The Graduate Student Senate supports the expansion of the Shuttle service to include a late-night downtown route.

Submitted by: Steve Dinda, Representative-at-Large  
Chanelle Vigue, Representative-at-Large



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**Bowling Green State University  
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**Support for the Ohio Higher Education Rail Network**

WHEREAS, the Ohio Higher Education Rail Network (OHERN) Institute is a non-profit educational research group that advocates for connecting the higher education institutions in the state of Ohio by passenger rail, and

WHEREAS, the federal government has recently committed \$400 mill for the development of the high speed rail corridor between Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati (CCC), and additional federal funding is anticipated for the expansion of this corridor to other passenger rail in Ohio, and

WHEREAS, the OHERN Institute plays a crucial role in the ongoing studies to extend the CCC line to colleges and universities in northwest Ohio, including but not limited to the Bowling Green State University, the University of Toledo, Owens Community College and the University of Cincinnati, and

WHEREAS, the majority of students in the state of Ohio live and attend institutions of higher education within ten miles or less of the existing rail infrastructure, and

WHEREAS, the OHERN project will use the existing infrastructure to create a low cost passenger rail system between the higher education institutions in Ohio, and

WHEREAS, the OHERN Institute strongly believes that this project will increase student access to the resources of the institutions of higher education in Ohio, and will further enhance the academic collaboration between these institutions, and

WHEREAS, the OHERN project will positively impact the future of clean energy and reduce the carbon footprint in the state of Ohio, and

WHEREAS, the benefits of the OHERN project would also include the increased mobility of students, allowing them to conveniently commute to any destination along the line, thereby easing the burden of the commute home, and

WHEREAS, the current OHERN project will allow students to travel any day of the week from 6:30 AM to 12 AM to any destination by purchasing a \$35 semester pass,

LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Bowling Green Graduate Student Senate supports the continuing effort of the OHERN Institute, and

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bowling Green Graduate Student Senate eagerly looks forward to the OHERN project becoming a reality.

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