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GSS General Assembly Meeting Agenda Friday, October 16th, 2009

Handouts

- General Assembly Minutes: October 2nd, 2009
- Fall Research Conference Awards Handout
- GSS GradJAM – SnowBall flyer
- NOH8 – LBGTQ Handout (*provided as a supplemental handout at General Assembly*)
- Student Recreation Center Letter (*provided as a supplemental handout at General Assembly*)
- USG Presentation of Shuttle Services (*provided as a supplemental handout at General Assembly*)

Guest Speakers

- Dr. Carol Cartwright – President
- Bryan Benner – Vice President for Administration

Agenda

- Call to Order
- Guest Speakers
- Roll Call (*Senators not present at roll call must see the Parliamentarian at the end of the meeting*)
 - Departments/Organizations at Risk of Censure: History, Psychology, African Peoples' Association, Graduate Women's Caucus, Graduate Writers Club, Higher Education & Administration Doctoral Students
 - Departments/Organizations Censured: Economics, African American Graduate Student Association
- Approval of the October 2nd Minutes
- Old Business
 - Transportation Fee Request – Legislation Update
- New Business
 - R2009.F3: Student Hard-Waiver Option for Health Insurance Legislation – First Reading
 - R2009.F4: Shuttle Fee Proposal – First Reading
 - Graduate Student Satisfaction Survey

- Other items of new business
- University and Faculty Senate Committee Reports
 - LBGT Taskforce (Gary Washington)
 - CUE Committee (Carl Walling)
 - Ice Arena Advisory Committee (Carl Walling)
 - Other Committee Reports
- Senate Executive Council (SEC) Reports
 - President – Carl Walling (wallinc@bgsu.edu)
 - Graduate Student Issues committee is examining several areas for the upcoming year including: a policy on graduate assistantships/graduate courses for major university health concerns, evaluating the quality of experience for a graduate student in graduate assistantships, creation of a minimum set of expectations for a graduate advisor, and re-issuing the graduate student satisfaction survey. If you have any concerns or issues about graduate education please contact me.
 - The Connecting the Undergraduate Experience (CUE) Committee will be giving several open forums to engage the campus community with the committee’s on-going work. The open forums will be held on the following dates:
 - Wednesday, October 28th, 6.00-7.00pm, BTSU 202B
 - Thursday, October 29th, 3.30-5.00pm, BTSU 308
 - Friday, October 30th, 10.00-11.30pm, BTSU 308
 - Thursday, November 5th, 12.00-1.30 and 5.30-7.30pm, BGSU Firelands Campus
 - GSS is currently looking for a publicity chair and parliamentarian for the current year. Please contact me if you are interested in the position.
 - H1N1 vaccination shots are expected to be distributed to the campus community in the next few weeks. The health center anticipates that shots will be given free of charge to the student community. More information will be provided in the future, and students should watch for more information about the various on-campus locations that the health center will set-up as distribution sites for the shot.
 - Vice President – Michael Landis (mlandis@bgsu.edu)
 - The forum for Campus Safety has requested that a GSS representative attend informal gatherings on sustainability. The forums are held every third Monday over a brown bag lunch. Interested Senators should contact me promptly.
 - If you have asked to serve on a committee and have heard nothing from the respected chair, please contact me as soon as possible.
 - The Graduate College & University Libraries wishes to highlight that the first printing of the new 6th edition of the American Psychological Association (APA) publication manual

(published in July) has several errors. More information regarding the publication's errors and a provided electronic correction list for the July printing of the 6th edition is available on the library website at:

<http://blogs.bgsu.edu/ulnews/2009/10/09/new-apa-manual-published-with-7-pages-of-errors/>

- Please send committee updates to me by the Tuesday at 5:00pm before the GA so that I can include you notes in the GA packet.

- Secretary – Gary Washington
 - Out and Greek National LGBT & Ally Fraternity & Sorority Leadership Conference. Will be held in Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS November 19-22, 2009. Registration for Graduate Student before October 16th, 2009-165\$ and After October 16th, 2009-255\$ Registration includes all Programs Materials, Keynotes, Entertainment, and Select Food during the three day Conference.

<http://www.lambda10.org/outandgreek/index.html>

- Treasurer – Zippy Nyaga
 - Funding for Professional Development Update

- Graduate Allocations Representative – Eric Miller

- Representative at Large – Steve Dinda

- Representative at Large – Chanelle Vigue
 - Submissions for the October edition of the GSS Newsletter is due on October 20th. Please contact Chanelle If you have any items that your organization or department would like to include. (such as spotlighting graduate research in your department, major upcoming events, or graduate organization meeting times).

 - If any graduate student is interested in helping with developing blackboard survey questions or topics, please contact Chanelle regarding your interest.

- Academic Affairs – Irina Seceleanu

- International and Multicultural Affairs – Emily Wyatt

- Local, Regional, and National Affairs –Ellen Rooney

- Student Affairs – Patrick El-Khoury

- Academic and Professional Development – Elizabeth Sherwood
 - Shanklin Awards – We are currently looking for judges for Graduate Student Senate's Shanklin Awards. The Shanklin Awards are a set of three \$1250 and \$750 awards for excellence in presenting research. Any suggestions or nominations for faculty judges would be greatly appreciated.

- Social – Andrea Stout
 - October 22nd Social Event – Pumpkin Carving
 - November 13th Social Event – Hockey Night
 - December 11th - Grad JAM “SnowBall” in BTSU 308 from 5.00 to 8.00pm
 - Tickets are \$5.00 for the event, we will have space for 100 people
 - To reserve your ticket, please stop by the GSS office or contact the GSS office by phone at 419.372.2426
 - Proceeds from the GSS’s annual silent auction will go to Classified Staff Council’s *Helping Hands* program
- Publicity – *vacant*
- Parliamentarian – *vacant*
- Announcements
 - Family Weekend – October 23rd – 25th
 - The next BGSU home football game will be on Saturday, October 24th at Noon (vs. Central Michigan). As a reminder, all BGSU students can attend all home athletic events free with a BGSU student ID.
 - Continental Concert
 - The College of Musical Arts will present its fall opera production: *Don Quixote* on November 6th at 8 pm and November 8th at 3 pm in Kobacker Hall. For ticketing and/or more information, contact the CMA Box Office at 419-372-8171.
 - The Department of Theatre & Film is presenting its fall musical “You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown”, which is directed by graduate student Macaela Carder. There will be performances on October 22nd – 25th in the Eva Marie Saint Theatre. Tickets are \$12 for BGSU students and \$6 for children under \$12. For tickets or more information, contact the Theatre Box Office at 419-372-2719.
 - The BGSU Faculty Association invites all interested parties to a presentation and discussion regarding university finances. The discussion will be led by Dr. Rudy Fichtenbaum, Professor of Economics at Wright State University. The event will occur on Thursday, October 22nd in BTSU 314.
 - The Fine Arts Center Galleries will present two exhibitions, entitled “The Poetic Dialogue Project” and “Contemporary India,” both open Friday, October 16th.
- Adjournment

Note: The next meeting of the General Assembly will be on Friday, October 30th at 3.00 – 5.00pm.

All senators and guests must sign in. If you have not signed in see a member of the GSS Senate Executive Council (SEC) immediately after the General Assembly meeting. Also, please make sure to return voting cards at the end of the meeting.