



Graduate Student Senate
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GSS General Assembly Meeting Agenda Friday, October 30th, 2009

Handouts

- General Assembly Minutes: October 16th, 2009
- GSS GradJAM – SnowBall flyer
- R2009.F3: Student Hard-Waiver Option for Health Insurance Legislation
- R2009.F4: Opposition to the Shuttle Fee Proposal
- Local Elections Information Packet
- Student Leaders/City Administration Report
- Centennial Concert Flyer (University Activities Organization)
- Diwali Mela Flyer (Indian Student Association)

Guest Speakers

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: Applied Stats & Operations Research, Art, College Student Personnel, GREAL, HMSLS, Intervention Services
 - Departments/Organizations Censured: Economics, African American Graduate Student Association, Graduate Writers Club, Graduate Women's Caucus
- Approval of the October 16th Minutes
- Old Business
 - R2009.F3: Student Hard-Waiver Option for Health Insurance Legislation – Second Reading
 - R2009.F4: Opposition to the Shuttle Fee Proposal – Second Reading

- New Business
 - Funding for Professional Development – Distribution of Awards based on Professional Development Experience
 - Other items of new business
- University and Faculty Senate Committee Reports
 - University Budget Committee (Carl Walling – Refer to SEC Report)
 - 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 University Budget Committee has been given its charge to create a budget proposal for FY 2011. GSS will provide the general assembly with more updates in the upcoming months about the university's plan to be fiscally responsible in the upcoming 2010-2011 academic year.
 - 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 last main campus forum was today. We will invite the committee representatives to present information to GSS at a future general assembly (most likely early in the Spring).
 - 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.
 - Graduate organizations that wish to promote their organization's functions in the written announcements section within the GSS agenda should contact Carl by Wednesday at 3.00pm on the week of General Assembly.
 - Vice President – Michael Landis (mlandis@bgsu.edu)
 - 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

- Graduate Allocations Representative – Eric Miller

- Representative at Large – Steve Dinda

- Representative at Large – Chanelle Vigue
 - Submissions for the November edition of the GSS Newsletter will be due in the next couple of weeks for the November edition of the newsletter. 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
 - State and Local Elections

 - Student Leaders/City Administration Update

- 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
 - 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
 - Graduate organizations that wish to work on collaborative social programming with GSS should contact Andrea regarding interest and/or ideas for the Spring semester.
- Publicity – *vacant*
- Parliamentarian – *vacant*
- Announcements
 - The India Student Association (ISA) would like to invite you to come experience Indian classical and contemporary dance, music, food, fashion and much more at the 2009 DIWALI MELA!!.

WHERE: Lenhart Grand Ballroom, Bowen-Thompson Student Union

WHEN: November 6th, 2009 starting at 6.00pm

TICKETS: Purchase Tickets at the Information Desk in the Union or Contact:Purnima Gopalkrishnan (678-763-2337; purnimg@bgsu.edu) OR Senthil Velan Yuvraj (419-575-5700; ysenthil@bgsu.edu) OR Deepa Oommen (419-494-3392; doommen@bgsu.edu)

- 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 Centennial Kick Off Concert is set for January 10, 2010 in Anderson Arena. Headlining the concert is Gavin DeGraw with special guest Michelle Branch. Tickets are \$20 for BGSU students and can be purchased in the Office of Campus Activities. Students can purchase two tickets with a BGSU ID.
- Adjournment

Note: The next meeting of the General Assembly will be on Friday, November 13th 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.