



**Meeting started at 6:30pm in TSCHE Learning Hall 2050**

Jaqueline: Motion to discuss for 5 minutes previous GA meeting minute's Diego seconds for discussion

Voice affirmation: yes

- Clarification needed about where the funds came out from for the purchases made over the summer.
  - Exec board discretionary funds were used during the summer to pay for these purchases.

Rachel Nobbs motion to close discussion Diego seconds the motion

Voice affirmation: yes

Motion to approve the meeting minutes from the last GA meeting on 09.13.2016 as written was brought to the floor

- Voice affirmation: yes

**Previous GA meeting minutes on 09.13.2016, as written, was passed**

Overview of GA Exec meeting on 09.20.2016 Topics included:

- **Fall Funding Meeting**
  - **Christine will update you later in the meeting this evening about fall funding meeting**
- **Internal Committees, Exec Leader Roles**
  - In order to give you all time to meet with your committees, we will end the meeting around 8:10pm. This is also so that we are respectful of your time, especially for those that are only on external committees.
- **Website and app Updates**
  - All documents will be on the app
  - We have updated the website
- **Upcoming "Summit" on graduate student issues**
  - Graduate student union- summit will happen at the next meeting

## OneDuke Proposal- presented by Marcus

### Updates

- Since Bernard's did not have sufficient clothing for women – we scrapped the idea of renting clothing
  - Now we are providing you to buy clothing for interview from Macy's
- We want to prioritize on food- as food takes priority over the other needs
  - Every month: among 6 accepted applications:
    - 3 will be accepted for food requests
    - 1 for professional wardrobe
    - 1 for travel
- Idea of a pilot
  - Total of \$30,000
    - \$20,000 for the pilot program
      - \$10,000 per academic year for a 2-year pilot program
    - \$10,000 held in reserves to be appropriated for the Fund pending GA approval in 2017-2018 Annual Budget
- GA reps were concerned about: 'Why can we not use these funds this on something else?'
  - We can. There is an infinite number possibilities, but this is different. It a way to get the resources **directly** to the students. We are targeting students and their direct needs.
- Cory gave his personal story about how he had to struggle when he first moved here. He did not have enough money for food and no cash to buy books with. He spent weeks in the library copying books from other students. He was able to eventually borrow money from a relative. He admits that he cannot speak to the background of others, but he has experienced this. He urged the GA members to think about the differences this program will make for someone else. He encouraged the members recognize that this is easy to pass off because you have not been in these types of situations.
- Marcus: In closing- this program has been given two letters of support from financial aid directors and the letters pretty much state that it covers things that the financial aid cannot cover for students.

OneDuke was allotted a 5 minute discussion

- Jacqueline: many people don't physically live on campus and at Duke; this program is also not focused on emergency funds – I would like for us to form an ad-hock committee to go down to UNC and take a look at their program.
- Vendor for food: It seems like these are all convenient stores- are there any gift cards options or a way that students could be provided with more food options? There are no healthy food options at these vendors
- Colleen: UNC emergency fund gives direct grants that cater to the needs of the students; also these convenient stores do not cater to baby acceptable food options. What about those students that need money for food to provide for their child?
- Danish – addendum for the previous two comments
  - Why is it necessary to be tied down to specific vendors?
    - UNC's program does not do that, it's a flat grant

Marcus: we have restricted OneDuke to specific vendors due to the administrators in UCAE

- We have established relationships with these vendors to make transactions as easy as possible;
- UNC has an amazing program; but our administrators are not giving the option for us to give the students the money allotted in cash

GA member: This seems like a short term solution to a long term problem- \$30,000 is left over from many years, and with 5-6 years we will not be able to continue this fund at this level. We are selecting people randomly and cannot assess the need of the student when we select people randomly

- Rashmi: This program can easily be replenished due to lots of money left over and it would be up to the GA to keep this going during subsequent years.

Brea- can we not use Harris teeter? If we do not get the money back from DUU then where is this coming from? Are we going to have to resort to fundraising?

- Marcus: Harris teeter is a great idea, unfortunately UCAE has a restricting policy for a card to be held online: In order to purchase from Harris Teeter the online account has to be linked online and per policy we cannot link a credit card online
- OneDuke is a program that has been designed to address student needs now. This is not a long term solution- the design is for a short-term solution

Andrew George brought a motion to the floor to extend the discussion on the OneDuke access fund for 5 minutes. Diego seconds the motion

Voice affirmation: yes

- Beaufort- why can't these funds be given to the financial aid office?

- Ceri– We need to conduct research before we push this through; I would like to bring a motion to the floor for the OneDuke access fund to be given to a committee to improve and vote on based on the committee's decision. Alex Carson seconds the motion
- Rosie: The best decision right now is to move forward. The best way to figure out how to do this is not going to work by moving a step backwards. The best solution right now is to push this forward. Marcus has been open to suggestions. It's easy to get into weeds of things, but we need to trust the executive board with how this plan will work. This is better than nothing. Try and improve this fund, rather than not having it at all
- GA member: can you make a motion even though we just had a motion to extend the discussion?
  - Andrew George- A motion has been brought to the floor, and you can make a motion at any point
- (Bennett is currently looking into the Robert's Rule of Order, to make sure this can happen—in the meantime discussion will continue)
- Felix- pilot is a testing period- it's a period where there is room to fix errors
- Tim shay- There is viability in a long term program. If we have an annual surplus of lots of money and put it in an endowment that we could give grants to students for a long time.
  - Christine – clarification – the money we are talking about is money from the past few years. UNC program made a different choice- if you receive fund from the UNC program you will lose financial aid that has been given to you. OneDuke as proposed is not going to affect your financial aid.
- Rachel – we want to replace a program that our leaders worked really hard to develop. We should trust our leaders and continue to adjust the program as we see fit.
- GA member: We are forgetting why we are here. We asked our department to elect us to provide access of information to them, not prevent access to resources
- Jason – you all keep on describing this program as created by our leaders, but we as GA members have given lots of suggestions and made revisions to this program. Marcus hosted a feedback session last week, and this was open to everyone, but only I showed up. I ran through the rain to get there. If you really felt strongly against this, than you should have been there at the session.

OneDuke access fund to be given to a committee to improve and vote on based on the committee's decision.

- A vote by division of assembly was made 19 in favor to form a committee 38 opposed 5 abstentions

Jason brings the motion to vote to approve OneDuke access fund and to form a committee Seaver seconds the motion

- Vote by voice affirmation: yes

- A vote by division of assembly was made 57 in favor 9 oppositions : **OneDuke Access fund approved**

Motion was brought to the floor to end this discussion by Jason and second

- Voice by affirmation: yes

Approval of new committee seating –

- Seaver brought the motion voting to approve the new committee seating as is and Kevin seconds the motion
- Vote to vote
  - o Voice affirmation: Yes
  - o A vote by division of assembly was made 65 in favor 0 opposed and 0 abstentions
  - o **New Committee Seating as written was passed**

#### **Approval of Fall 2016 Funding Allocations**

##### **Breakdown:**

- Total Applications= **77**
- Total Event Expenses= **\$205,294.25**
- Total Amount Requested from GPSC= **\$85,974.25**
- Total Recommended Allocations= **\$31,480.00**
- Percent of Applications Funded= **~70%**

Jacqueline: can we discuss lines 24-28 on the excel sheet as well as 33, and 46: some of those line items do not have a proper breakdown of what the funding was for

- o Christine: The applications were divided within the committee- and we collectively approved them
- o Oliver brought the Motion to end discussion, Seaver seconds the motion
- o Voice affirmation: Yes

Motion was brought to the floor to Vote to **approve Funding allocations**, and vote by voice was done. Motion was **passed**.

#### **Dilnaman Singh Sachdeva for Director of Communications**

- o Rashmi: to Clarify: the President appointed Dilnaman for this position, and the GA gets to approve this decision.

- Dilnaman: I want to give back to Duke by contributing back to the committee and GPSC is the perfect platform

Diego brought a motion to close discussion and it was seconded. Vote by voice affirmation was done. Motion was **passed**.

### **Elections for the Young Trustees Screening Committee (YTSC)**

- o Young trustee will serve a 3 year term or 2 year
- o Nominations was opened to the floor for the GA reps to nominate:
- o Diego nominates Felix – Felix accepts
- o Stacy Zhang was nominated and she accepts
- o Danish nominated Ceri Weber and she accepts
- o Danny Carlin was nominated and he accepts

The final nominations came down to

#### **7 Members**

- Travis Knoll
- Colleen McClean
- Joyce Zhang
- Felix Nwogbo
- Stacy Zhang
- Ceri Weber
- Danny Carlin

Since there are only 7 members, we do not have to vote on each one, they will be slated in by vote from the GA members

Andrew brings the motion to approve by slate of the committee Diego seconds, and vote by voice was affirmation was done: Approval to slate the elected members for the **Young Trustees Screening Committee was passed**.

### **Amy – NAGPS conference**

- I serve as an Advocate at the state and federal level for the student body
- Student-run national, non-profit organization.
- Mission: To improve the quality of graduate and professional students in the US.
- Represents G&P students in public/private universities at local, state, regional and national levels.

- Conference Overview:
  - o Discussion of the federal budget and how it pertains to science funding.
  - o Meetings: we met with staffers of 9 members of the NC delegation.
  - o Issues:
    - Support for research funding.
    - Behavioral/Social Sciences and Basic Science.
    - Humanities
  - o Open access to federally funded research.
  - o IRS/ACA healthcare changes
    - Colleges and universities that offer subsidized student health insurance plans for graduate students (incl. partners and dependents) are in violation of the ACA.
    - Temporary transition relief until Fall 2017.
    - Multiple outcomes university might take:
      - Drop student health insurance
      - Provide employee health insurance
      - Raise graduate student stipend to allow students to purchase their own insurance
    - Opposition: American Council on Education (ACE)

#### Seaver Wang: **Resolution on Duke Energy CHP Plant Proposal**

The fight against the construction of a brand-new, 21 MW, natural gas-fired combined heat and power (CHP) plant that would be owned and operated by the utility giant Duke Energy, housed on Duke University's own campus, and that will operate for up to 35 years.

The news was conveniently released after students had left campus for the summer. The claims the university initially put forth sound compelling.

- Natural gas-fired Combined Heat and Water (CHP) plant
- 21 Megawatt capacity (approx. 25% university summer demand), up to 35-year project lifetime.
- Proposed plant would be built on campus between Towerview, Duke University Rd, Wannamaker Drive, construction to start as early as April 2017.
- \$55 million total cost, with university contributing \$7 million
- Duke University will purchase steam and hot water from this plant, but not electricity. Plant will also provide backup generation power to hospital during blackout events.
- Alleged 24% reduction in university carbon footprint, annual cost savings of \$2-3 million/year

#### Feedback from the Duke Community

- Numerous alumni, faculty, staff, and students have expressed concern about the plant proposal regarding the following:

- Insufficient faculty and student input in negotiations to date.
- The lack of transparency surrounding the plant negotiation process.
- The proposed plant's social and environmental costs over the project's lifetime, particularly in light of Duke's commitments to sustainability and attaining carbon neutrality.

This resolution recommends additional campus dialogue and a further process of review in the ongoing negotiations with Duke Energy

**Goals:**

- to increase transparency and dialogue regarding the CHP plant negotiation
- to incorporate faculty and student input directly in a more open, comprehensive proposal review process
- to pause negotiations until said review process is complete.

Ryan – Facilities and Environment Committee – this is a timely issue

- Yes, it is moving to natural gas, but moving from current reliance on coal
- Amount of money duke will save – by having this plant we are reducing the amount methane needs to travel and money on transportation
- I understand the Need and want for transparency and I will bring that up to the committee

Seaver- We are asking for a time to have open dialogue and the purpose for me to bring this vote is to have a discussion

(this discussion was just an introduction to the issue at hand, voting on this will take place at the next GA meeting)

Motion was brought to the floor to adjourn the meeting ( 8:15pm) by Diego and Andrew seconds; vote by voice was conducted: motion to **adjourn the meeting was passed.**

Please check the attendance and please remember that if you have missed 3 meetings unexcused, we will have to ask your department to find another GA rep to represent your department. If you have any questions about the attendance, please email Asma at [asma.agad@duke.edu](mailto:asma.agad@duke.edu)

<b>Program</b>	<b>GA Member 2016-2017</b>	<b>8/30/2016</b>	<b>9/13/2016</b>	<b>9/27/2016</b>
Art, Art History and Visual Studies	Timothy Shea	1	1	1
Analytical Political Economics (masters)	Natchanam Kiatoungwilaikum	1	1	0
Biochemistry	Alyson Hoffman	1	1	1
Bioethics and Science Policy		unseated	unseated	unseated



Biology	Andrew George	1	1	1
Biomedical Engineering (M.ENG)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Biomedical Engineering (MS)	Ringo Yen	1	0	1
Biomedical Engineering (Rep 1) PhD	Jacqueline Robinson-Hamm	1	1	1
Biomedical Engineering (co-Rep 1) PhD	Brian Crouch	1	1	0
Biomedical Engineering (co-Rep 2) PhD	Asli Unal	0	1	1
Biostatistics and Bioinformatics (MS/PhD)	Craig Au	1	1	1
Biostatistics and Bioinformatics (MS/PhD) (co rep) (co rep with Craig)	Jianghao Li	1	1	1
Business Administration, MBA (Rep 1)		Unseated	unseated	0
Business Administration, MBA (Rep 2)	Nabil Mekouar	1	Excused	1
Business Administration, MBA (Rep 3)			0	n/a
Business Administration, MBA (Rep 4)			0	n/a
Business Administration, MBA (Rep 5)			0	n/a
Business Administration, MBA (Rep 6)			unseated	n/a
Business Administration, MBA (Rep 7)			0	n/a
Business Administration, MBA (Rep 8)	Matt Conley		0	0
Business Administration, MBA (Rep 9)			unseated	0
Business Administration, PhD	Oliver Binz	1	1	1

Cell and Molecular Biology	Patrick Ferree	1	1	0
Cell Biology		unseated	unseated	0
Chemistry (Rep 1)	Felix Nwogbo	1	1	1
Chemistry (Rep 2)	Anastasia Gant	1	1	1
Civil and Environmental Engineering	Karoline Johnson	1	0	0
Civil and Environmental Engineering (Co-rep)	William Gerhard	1	1	1
Classical Studies fall	Alex Karsten	1	1	1
Classical Studies spring	Alex Fowler	spring	spring	0
Clinical Research Training (Master of Health Sciences)		unseated	unseated	0
Cognitive Neuroscience		unseated	unseated	0
Computational Biology and Bioinformatics		unseated	unseated	0
Computer Science		unseated	unseated	0
Cultural Anthropology	Christopher Daley	0	0	1
Cultural Anthropology (co-rep)	Jay Hammond	n/a	n/a	1
Developmental and Stem Cell Biology (rep)	Ceri Weber	excused	1	1
Developmental and Stem Cell Biology (co-rep)	Jill hattaway	1	0	1
Divinity (Rep 1)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Divinity (Rep 2)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Divinity (Rep 3)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Divinity (Rep 4)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Divinity (Rep 5)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Divinity (Rep 6)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Divinity (Rep 7)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Earth and Ocean Sciences	Seaver Wang	1	1	1

East Asian Studies		unseated	unseated	unseated
Ecology	Ryan Huang	1	n/a	1
Ecology co-rep	Chase Nunez	1	1	n/a
Economics and Computation		unseated	unseated	unseated
Economics, MA (Rep 1)	Ting Dai	1	1	1
Economics, MA (Rep 2)	Yuxiang Guo	0	1	0
Economics, PhD	Yilin Jiang	1	0	0
Electrical and Computer Engineering MS (Rep 1)	Wanyi Fu	1	1	1
Electrical and Computer Engineering PhD (Rep 2)	Tomas Barraza	1	0	0
Electrical and Computer Engineering PhD (Rep 3)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Engineering Management (Rep 1)	Saketh Vinnakota	unseated	0	1
Engineering Management (Rep 2)	Guillermo Aguilar Harrison	unseated	excused	1
Engineering Management (Rep 3)	Umar Sikander	unseated	excused	1
English	Kevin Gallin	1	1	1
Environment (Environmental Science and Policy)	Corrie Hannah	0	1	0
Environmental Policy (University Program in)	Stephanie Stefanski	1	1	1
Evolutionary Anthropology		unseated	unseated	unseated
Genetics and Genomics	Lee Edsall	excused	0	1
German Studies	Jeffrey Hertel	0	1	1
German Studies	Claire Scott	1	1	1
Global Health	Shem Opolot	0	0	0
Historical and Cultural Visualization		unseated	unseated	unseated
History	Daanish Faruqi	1	1	1

Humanities		unseated	unseated	unseated
Immunology	Gregory Swan	0	1	0
Immunology	William Barclay	1	0	0
Integrated Toxicology and Environmental Health	Matthew Ruis	1	1	1
International Development Policy		unseated	unseated	unseated
Law, JD (Rep 1)		1	0	0
Law, JD (Rep 2)	Geoff Wright	1	1	0
Law, JD (Rep 3)	Daniel Carlin	unseated	1	1
Law, JD (Rep 4)	Ryan Sheen	unseated	1	1
Law, JD (Rep 5)	Karim Lakhani (proxy for ryan)	unseated	n/a	n/a
Law, JD (Rep 6)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Law, JD (Rep 7)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Law, LLM		unseated	unseated	unseated
Liberal Studies (Rep 1)	Sara Stevens	1	1	1
Liberal Studies (Rep 2)	Mishalle Kayani	1	1	1
Literature	Carolyn Laubender	1	1	1
Management in Clinical Informatics	Daniel Park	1	1	1
Management Science (Rep 1)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Management Science (Rep 2)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Marine Science and Conservation	Stacy Zhang	1	1	1
Master of Arts in Teaching		unseated	unseated	unseated
Master of Biomedical Science	DeVonte Johnson	1	0	0
Master of Engineering	Troy Templin	1	1	1
Master of Fine Arts in Experimental and Documentary Art	Salima Al-Ismaili	1	0	0

Master of Management Studies (MMS)	Cassie Pecht	unseated	unseated	unseated
Master of Management Studies (MMS)	Evan Little	unseated	unseated	unseated
Mathematics	Sarah Ritchey	0	1	excused
Mechanical Engineering and Materials Science (MS/PhD)	Andrew Hutchins	1	1	1
Medical Physics (MS/PhD)	Brittany Moore	1	1	1
Medical Physics (MS/PhD) (Rep 2)	Taylor Smith	1	1	1
Medical Scientist Training	Matthew Draelos	1	1	0
Medicine (proxy)	Kevin Anderson	n/a	n/a	1
Medicine (proxy)		n/a	n/a	n/a
Medicine (Rep 1)	Michelle Tang	unseated	1	0
Medicine (Rep 2)	Brooke Evans	unseated	1	1
Medicine (Rep 3)	Dylan Eiger	unseated	1	1
Medicine (Rep 4)	Anthony Lin	unseated	1	1
Medicine (Rep 5)	Kirin Khan	unseated	1	1
MEMS		unseated	unseated	unseated
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Molecular Cancer Biology Co-reps		unseated	unseated	unseated
Molecular Cancer Biology co-reps		unseated	unseated	unseated
Molecular Genetics and Microbiology	Hannah Brown	1	1	1
Music	Maxwell Ramage	unseated	1	1
Music (proxy)	James Chu (proxy)	n/a	n/a	n/a
Neurobiology		unseated	unseated	unseated
Nicholas School Master's Students (Rep 1)	Diego Calderon-Arrieta	1	1	1

Nicholas School Master's Students (Rep 2)	Alexis Schwartz	unseated	0	0
Nicholas School Master's Students (Rep 3)	Jason Lee	unseated	1	1
Nicholas School Master's Students (Rep 4)	Soli Shin	unseated	1	1
Nursing, ABSN (Rep 1)	mark roberts	unseated	unseated	1
Nursing, ABSN (Rep 2)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Nursing, ABSN (Rep 3)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Nursing, MSN (Rep 1)	Jose ramon lara	unseated	unseated	1
Nursing, MSN (Rep 2)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Nursing, MSN (Rep 3)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Nursing, MSN (Rep 4)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Nursing, MSN (Rep 5)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Nursing, MSN (Rep 6)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Nursing, PhD	Shaoqing Ge	1	1	1
Pathologists' Assistant	Allison Topper	1	1	1
Pathology	Xin Yu	1	0	1
Pathology	Teilo Schaller	1	1	0
Pharmacology and Cancer Biology (proxy)	Kaitlyn Andreano	1	1	n/a
Pharmacology and Cancer Biology	Yi Ding	n/a	1	1
Philosophy	Matthew Harris	0	0	0
Physical Therapy (Rep 1)	Rachael Nobbs	1	1	1
Physical Therapy (Rep 2)	Meredith Kinney	1	1	1
Physical Therapy (Rep 3)	Leah Cronley	1	unexcused	1
Physician Assistant (Rep 1)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Physician Assistant (Rep 2)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Physics	Michael Eggleston	1	1	1

Political Science	Tianshu Chen	1	1	1
Political Science	Katelyn Mehling	1	1	0
Psychology and Neuroscience	Sara Maurer	1	1	1
Public Policy, PhD	Nivedhitha Subramanian	1	1	1
Public Policy, MPP (Rep 1)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Public Policy, MPP (Rep 2)		unseated	unseated	unseated
Religious Studies (Rep 1)	Mari Jorstad	1	1	1
Romance Studies (Rep 2)	Amanda Foy	1	1	1
Slavic and Eurasian Studies		unseated	unseated	unseated
Sociology	Simon Brauer	unseated	unseated	1
Sociology (co-rep)	Colin Birkhead	unseated	unseated	1
Statistical and Economic Modeling		unseated	unseated	unseated
Statistical Science MSS	Xichu Liu	0	0	0
Statistical Science PhD		unseated	unseated	unseated
Structural Biology and Biophysics		unseated	unseated	unseated