



GPSC General Assembly Meeting Minutes January 15, 2013: 6:30pm, 0016 Westbrook

Presiding Officer: Shannon O'Connor
Refreshments: Chelsea Gaw

6:30pm: Welcome and Call to Order Shannon O'Connor

6:37pm: Invited Speaker: Editor of the Chronicle Yeshwanth Kandimalla

- The Chronicle is over 100 years old. It is primarily led and staffed by undergraduates but they are always looking for help from graduate students (eg. editors, writers, photographers). Currently, articles written about graduate students are from a broad perspective and the Chronicle would love to better capture the graduate student experience. Email Yeshwanth Kandimalla if you are interested at yrc2@duke.edu or chronicleletters@duke.edu.
- Question (by Fumiko Chino, Medicine): How many staff are there? What is your print circulation?
 - Answer: Staff--200 people. Print circulation--1200. There are newspaper stations throughout campus. Contact Yeshwanth if you notice there are other places stations should be put.
- Question (Bill Hunt, GPSC President): During the West Campus renovations, where will your office be located? Who should people contact if they want to become involved?
 - Answer: The Chronicle office in the West Union building will be relocated to the old international house and they are also at 301 Flowers Building. Contact Yeshwanth Kandimalla if you are interested; everyone is welcome! There are no applications but there is training.

6:31pm: Introductions from the GPSC Reps

- See powerpoint slides (3-8). GPSC reps that presented:
 - Danielle Brick: 2nd year in Fuqua PhD program
 - Liz Bloomhardt: 2nd year in Earth and Ocean Science PhD program
 - Christopher Hogin: in Divinity school
 - Matthew Panhans: 1st year in Economics PhD program
 - Ben Shellhorn: in Law school and Fuqua program

6:43pm: Officer Updates

- Chris Marsicano (GPSC Attorney General): The Judicial committee will meet soon. Email Chris at christopher.marsicano@duke.edu about any changes you would like to see.
- Bill Hunt: The GPSC office recently moved to 306 Alexander on Central Campus. There will be chances for the GA to come check it out.
- Shannon O' Connor (GPSC Vice President): The following is an overview of the upcoming semester...
 - The spring semester schedule/GA meeting dates are on the bottom of tonight's agenda.
 - The next GA meeting is on Tuesday, January 29th. At this meeting, the two candidates for Young Trustee will skype in and the GPSC executive board plans to talk about the by-laws.
 - At the Tuesday, February 12th meeting, Dean McClain will come speak and the GA will vote on Young Trustee.

- There will be a GPSC retreat. More details will follow.
 - The GPSC executive board elections will be on Tuesday, March 19th.
 - On Tuesday, April 2th we will finish up elections.
 - At the Tuesday, April 16th meeting, the budget will be proposed and voted on.
- For the GPSC executive board elections, the GA would like a breakdown of the time commitment for each position and a brief presentation.

6:49pm: Spring Funding

Amol Yadav and Brad Hover

- See powerpoint slides (10-14).
- The Finance committee met to determine the spring funding. They reviewed 103 applications and there were 46 student groups that applied for funding. \$85,119.43 was the total funding requested and \$25,000 was the total funding allocated. 35 student groups and 52 events were funded. \$10,665 of the \$25,000 went toward events that were community service related.
- Eden Ellis, Public Policy Studies (MPP): Motioned for an up or down vote on the budget. Motion seconded.
- Joshua Rose, Biochemistry: Called to question the previous motion. Motion seconded.
- All were in favor of ending the discussion and voting.
 - Motion passed. The spring budget was approved.

6:58pm: New Issues/Announcements

- Fumiko Chino: The Medical School has a new building with a Nosh in it. It is next to Medical School library in the Searle Center; come visit it!
- Eden Ellis: He met with people from Fuqua to create a list of student groups with open membership and wanted to also meet with students from the Law School. Contact him if you can help him with this.

7:00pm: Reminders and Wrap-up

-Approval of previous meeting minutes

- Eden Ellis: Motioned to approve the previous meeting minutes and adjourn. Motion seconded.
 - All were in favor.

7:01pm: Adjournment

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February 26

March 19

April 2

April 16

April 23 (tentative)