

November 18, 2014  
6:00 PM  
Koldus Bldg. 144

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Approval of Minutes**

**III. Speaker's Podium**

- a. Lisa Villalobos, Graduate Student Health Insurance
- b. Tom Reber, Student Affairs Fee Advisory Board (SAFAB) Update

**IV. Voice Reports**

- a. University Committees
- b. Department, Program, or Organization Announcements

**V. Pending Business**

**VI. New Business**

**VII. Standing Committee Reports**

- a. Awards
  - i. Announcement of Winter 2014 Travel Awards Recipients
  - ii. Winter 2014 Travel Awards Quarterly Report - Next meeting
  - iii. Development/Evolution of Awards Processes and Evaluation Metrics to begin soon
- b. Legislative Affairs
  - i. Questions for Presidential Roundtable
  - ii. Meeting reports
- c. Marketing and Communications
- d. Multicultural and Diversity Affairs
  - i. Interdisciplinary dinner with Dr. Welsh- Friday, November 21<sup>st</sup>
- e. Outreach
- f. Programming
  - i. Profit share: Thank you! Upcoming: TBA
  - ii. Presidential Roundtable: Nov. 19th, 6-9pm, Bethancourt Ballroom
  - iii. Three Minute Thesis finals: Nov. 19th, 5:30-8pm, MSC 2300C
  - iv. G.R.A.D. Aggie Event (hosted by OGAPS): Financial Management and Financial Aid for Graduate Students, Nov. 21st, 3-4pm, Rudder 301
  - v. OGAPS Thesis & Dissertation office: Pre-Submittal Conference, Nov. 24th, 9-10am, Evans 612.
- g. Quality of Life
- h. Selfless Service
  - i. 12<sup>th</sup> Can – recap
  - ii. BUILD – update
  - iii. Spring events- Big Event, Relay

**VIII. Special Committee Reports**

- a. Student Research Week
- b. Grad Camp

**IX. Officer Reports**

- a. President
- b. Executive Vice President
- c. Vice President of University Affairs
- d. Vice President of Information
- e. Vice President of Finance

**X. Advisor Comments**

**XI. Announcements**

**XII. Adjournment**

## GPSC Meeting Minutes (2014-11-18)

### I. Call to Order

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### III. Speaker's Podium

- Lisa Villalobos, Graduate Student Health Insurance
  - Discussed different insurance plan options for graduate students
  - Contact e-mail address: [lvillalobos@tamus.edu](mailto:lvillalobos@tamus.edu)
- Tom Reber, Student Affairs Fee Advisory Board (SAFAB) Update
  - Two SAFAB staff present department proposal
  - SAFAB did not approve recurring funding for partially funding Graduate Assistant for Student Research Week because they did not feel that it needed recurring

### IV. Voice Reports

- Student Media Board has express ways to branch out to to improving digital media
- IGSA is holding an event
- ISS discussed how students to be aware of the upcoming telephone scams regarding threatening fake student loan payments

### V. Pending

- none

### VI. New Business

- none

### VII. Standing Committee Reports

- a. Awards
  - Announcement of Winter 2014 Travel Awards Recipients
    - There were 6 winners for Winter 2014.
  - Winter 2014 Travel Awards Quarterly Report - Next meeting
- b. Legislative Affairs
  - Questions for Presidential Roundtable
    - Cancelled due to conflicting event
  - Meeting reports
    - Discussed transportation services expanding services
- c. Marketing and Communications
  - none
- d. Multicultural and Diversity Affairs
  - Interdisciplinary dinner with Dr. Welsh - Friday, November 21<sup>st</sup>
- e. Outreach
  - none
- f. Programming
  - Profit share: Thank you! Upcoming: TBA
  - Presidential Roundtable: Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, 6-9 pm, Bethancourt Ballroom
    - Event was cancelled

- Three Minute Thesis finals: Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, 5:30-8pm, MSC 2300C
  - Since roundtable cancelled, people can go to Three Minute Thesis
- G.R.A.D. Aggie Event (hosted by OGAPS): Financial Management and Financial Aid for Graduate Students, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>, 3-4pmm, Rudder 301
- OGAPS Thesis & Dissertation office: Pre-Submitted Conference, Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>, 9-10am, Evans 612
- g. Quality of Life
  - E-mail committee chair Danielle (danieleduardo11@tamu.edu) with the following
    - Question Set #1
      - Whether departments are conducting an assessment of any kind (e.g., research, advisors, program)?
      - If department is conducting an assessment, how frequent is it being conducted (e.g., yearly, before graduation)?
    - Questions #2:
      - Send out e-mails on how to increase responses from department regarding upcoming climate survey
    - Also contact Quality of Life chair or members regarding current issues in department
- h. Selfless Service
  - 12th Can – recap
    - event was successful
    - department winners were announced
  - BUILD – update
  - Spring events - Big Event, Relay

### VIII. Special Committee Reports

- Student Research Week
  - None
- Grad Camp
  - Current Grad Camp Director will be leaving TAMU this semester
  - New Grad Camp Director chosen

### IX. Officer Reports

- a. President
  - In the process of looking for individuals interested in the Vice President of Information
  - In the process of acquiring new e-mail addresses for officers, but current ones :
    - current e-mail address: [gsc@tamu.edu](mailto:gsc@tamu.edu)
    - upcoming new e-mail address: [gpsc@tamu.edu](mailto:gpsc@tamu.edu)
  - There was an agreement on board of regents meeting passing tuition fees increases
    - working on getting flat tuition fees for graduate student similarly with what undergraduates have
  - Regarding master strategic building plan
    - there will be on-going conversations regarding improvements from transportation services (e.g., routes, garages) with discussion on increased fees
  - Regarding delegates, representatives, and liaisons missing placards or voting cards, contact [gsc@tamu.edu](mailto:gsc@tamu.edu)

- Regarding department, program, and non-departmental student organization eligibility in GPSC, contact [gsc@tamu.edu](mailto:gsc@tamu.edu)
- b. Executive Vice President
  - none
- c. Vice President of University Affairs
  - New delegates not already in an internal committee will be put in Awards committee
  - People who attended recent internal committee should submit report on GPSC website
- d. Vice President of Information
  - none
- e. Vice President of Finance
  - office supply and phone bill expenses
  - SAGE event expenses
  - Interdisciplinary expenses
  - Advisor interview expenses
  - Reimbursement from Dr. Reber bookstore funding

#### **X. Advisor Comments**

- New advisor on December 1, 2014

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