

Presidential Wrap Up February 2016

February 1

- Graduate Operations Committee (Deans):
 - Questions for the two graduating student surveys for graduate students (update document for future)
 - ELPE certification with respect to the English speaking countries — all international students will be required to pass ELPE in order to teach
 - Standard communication to students from OGAPS for Prelim and Final Exam Results (Committee responsibility to inform student of next steps, if failed)
 - Discuss F17 college allocations and summary of Attracting Best Graduate Students exercise

February 2

- General Assembly meeting

February 4

1. Graduate Council:
 - Faculty senate feedback: letters of support, gap between reps & faculty senators? Not reviewing for support? Ensure what moves forward is supported/at least the cross-listing department is made aware. Any communication between parties/response (without having to be an official letter).
 - Evote: 50% of people present — but what if vote is electronic? Make by-law change to consider e-votes a consent agenda (vote to change - approved)
 - Making consent agenda for regular meetings, read items before meeting
2. 3 Minute Thesis: judging final competition

February 5

- Student Research Week: lunch panel and discussion

February 8

- Monthly meeting with Dr. Butler-Purry: wine tasting update; discussion of advocacy groups GPSC is part of — SAGE vs. NAGPS; MWF from 1-5pm, no walks in for processing team; Student Research Week updates & planning

February 9

- Executive Committee meeting

February 10

- Emergency meeting called with President Young: discussion of Feb. 9 racially motivated incident on campus; plan to act moving forward, change campus climate

February 11

1. Campus Carry Task Force: Discussion and Final Acceptance of Sub-committee Reports: Counseling and Conduct & Health Care; Update on Offices Sub-committee Progress; Update on Law School Sub-committee Progress; Review of Timeline and Draft Report
2. GPSC Wine Tasting event @ Association of Former Students: great event!

February 16

- GPSC Town Hall with President Young: great questions and engaged audience

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February 23

1. President's Inclusion Council:

- discussion of steps to be proactive to racially-motivated and hateful speech/events; can report classroom incidents via stophate.tamu.edu
- faculty senate forum to discuss diversity curriculum changes, March 2, 1pm in Rudder 402
- GPSC President will bring 4 others to next meeting with President Young
- new module for communication training required for student leaders (starting in April)
- Increase number of meetings to 2 times per month

2. Executive Committee meeting

February 25

- Student Body President Roundtable: discussion of diversity and President's Inclusion Council

February 26

- Campus Carry Task Force: reading through draft of final recommendation to President Young; should be reviewed and ready to submit by next week

February 29

- Student Leader Communication Dinner with Dr. Pugh (Vice President for Student Affairs): discussion of future plans to require diversity/communication training for student leaders

Contact me with questions!

Best,

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