

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

COGS Full Council Meeting Minutes IM West, Room 208 January 21, 2015 5:30pm – 7:30pm

Present Full Council Representatives: AFRE, ANS, BAE, CSUS, ENT, FSHN, HRT, PKG, PDC, AAAS, ART, ENG, PHL, THR, COMM, EAD, KIN, LIT, TE, AIS, MGT, MBA, CHE, EPI, LAW, BMB, CEM, GEN, GLG, MMG, PHY, PLB, PRIME, NUR, OM, Pharm, EC, GEO, HST, HDFS, PLS, CJ, HRLR, SW, SOC, BGSA, ISA, OGA, SPOM

Absent Full Council Members: FW, FOR, PSM, LIN, RCS, RW, ADV, HRC, JRN, MI, CEPSE, FI, HB, MKT, SCM, ME, MUS, CMB, MTH, PSL, STT, PSY, CRC, VM, CSD, CEE, CSE, ECE, HM, NEU, ZOL, ANP

Present Executive Board Members: PRES, VPIA, SEC, LAW, MED, PARL, EVENT

Absent Executive Board Members: VPEA, TRES

I) Call to order at 5:34 pm

II) Approval of Agenda

A) **Approval of Minutes from December 3, 2014 COGS Full Council Meeting (Attachment 1), approved by acclamation

B) **Approval of Minutes from December 7, 2014 Special COGS Full Council Meeting (Attachment 2), approved by acclamation

III) Remarks from the Graduate School

A) Greetings from Dean Klomparens! The Graduate School has conducted a successful second write-in. There will be a third write-in taking place in February

IV) Remarks from COGS Faculty Advisor, Dr. MaryLee Davis

A) Welcome back! Dr. Davis emphasized the importance of representatives in spreading the word for the Graduate Academic Conference taking place on Feb. 27, 2015

V) Committee Sign Ups, COGS VP Internal Affairs, Dan Clark

VI) Unfinished Business

A) **Electronic Voting Procedures Discussion, Resolution (Attachment I)

i) Update from Representative Vankirk regarding the purposed purchasing of electronic voting tools:

ii) Representative Atkinson moves that Full Council members can speak more than twice on this topic but limited to ten minutes. 16 yay, 27 nay, motion failed

iii) Representative Loelius moves to adopt the resolution as presented on screen, 39 yay, 2 nay, 2 abstentions, approved.

VII) New Business

A) **Spring 2015 Event Funding Requests, COGS Treasurer, Chris Haug, absent Chris Siemer spoke representing the finance committee

i) Representative Barringer moves to approve as a slate, approved by acclamation

B) **Spring 2015 Conference Grants, COGS Treasurer, Chris Haug, absent Chris Siemer spoke representing the finance committee

i) Representative Loelius moves to approve conference grants as slate, approved by acclamation



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- C) **Spring 2015 Professional Development Grants, COGS Treasurer, Chris Haug
 - i) Representative Vankirk moves to approve the presented professional development grants, approved by acclimation
- D) **Proposed COGS Bylaw Changes (Attachment 4), COGS Parliamentarian, Meaghan McKeon

- i) Written Ballots

- (a) 6.5.1 The duties of the Recording Secretary include the preparation of a detailed summary, including the attendance of both the executive board and voting members, of the minutes of all Full Council meetings and Executive Board meetings to be approved at the next respective meeting and filed ad infinitum in the COGS office. The Recording Secretary shall, within seven calendar days following each Full Council meeting, make available to the COGS office a copy of that meeting's minutes. These minutes will be posted on the COGS website. The Recording Secretary shall also prepare a list of highlights from the meeting to aid representative members in distributing information to their constituents. Additionally, the Recording Secretary shall handle the distribution of all general information to COGS and the Representative Members.

- (a) Voting done by paper ballot, approved 46 yay, 0 nay, 2 abstentions

- (b) 7.4.3 All votes, with the exceptions of elections, in Full Council Meetings shall be taken in a manner to ensure accurate and identifiable voting. This shall be construed as meaning that either a vote shall proceed via acclamation, i.e. with no opposition, or that the vote shall be done via roll call.

In the case of elections, in addition to acclamation votes and roll call votes, a secret ballot may be used.

The results of all such votes will be shown to the full council, with total number of votes, total number of votes for, total number of votes against, total number of abstentions and the position of each representative.

The reports of these votes shall be stored in the COGS office and published on the COGS website after confirmation at the next full council meeting.

In cases where a vote does not in itself have enough representatives voting to determine if quorum is held, a quorum count will be held by the Recording Secretary. This may be done via electronic means, demanding a vote from all members, or via a public head count.

All reasonable accommodations will be made to ensure that Full Council representatives will have access to means of voting. In the absence of the electronic voting system, the Full Council representative's vote shall be recorded by the Secretary.

The voting records of all COGS committees, including the Executive Board, shall be recorded and published in a similar manner to the above.

This bylaw shall take effect upon implementation of an electronic voting system that has been approved.

- (a) Representative Baker moves to strike the orphan end “ and replace with .., approved by acclamation

- (b) Representative Siemer moves to change confirmed to confirmation in paragraph 4, approved by acclamation

- (c) Representative Strachman moves to table this vote until the implementation of iClickers, 18 yay, 20 nay, 8 abstentions, motion fails

- (d) Representative Barringer calls to question, approved by acclamation
- (e) Representative moves to add “this bylaw shall take effect upon implementation of the iclicker system if approved,” approved by acclamation
- (f) Representative Vankirk moves to replace “their” with “in the absence of electronic voting system,” and “their” with Full Council Representatives,” approved by acclamation
- (g) Representative Loelius calls to question, 37 yay, 1 nay, 1 abstention, approved
- (h) VOTING ONGOING
- E) **Collaboration: Student Bar Association Super Bowl Party, \$1000 requested, COGS Treasurer, Chris Haug
 - i) Representative Loelius moves to approve the above funds contingent upon an inclusive name including graduate and professional students. 33 yay, 6 nay, 0 abstentions
 - (a) Request by Representative Barringer that the Full Council should expect the Executive Board to present better-prepared items than the state of this presentation to the Full Council
- F) **Full Council Agenda Structure Discussion, Resolution (Attachment 5)
 - i) Representative Loleius moves to approve the presented resolution approved by acclamation, 4 abstentions
- G) **March Full Council Meeting Date Change, COGS President, Emily Bank
 - i) Representative Clarkson moves to reschedule the March Full Council meeting to the 18th, approved by acclamation
- H) **2014/2015 Committee Elections, COGS VPIA, Dan Clark
 - i) Representative Baker moves to approve all uncontested elections as a slate, approved by acclamation
 - ii) Committee membership was approved for the following University and COGS Committees:
 - (a) University Committee on International Studies and Programs
 - (b) University Graduate-Professional Judiciary Committee
 - (c) CANR-Teaching and Academic Policy Committee
 - (d) COGS Graduate Welfare Committee
 - (e) COGS Graduate Academic Conference
 - (f) COGS Representation Committee
 - (g) University Graduate Judiciary Committee
- VIII) Executive Board Remarks (Attachment 6)**
 - A) President – Emily Bank
 - i) New Member Introductions
 - ii) New Sexual Assault Counselor to be Hired
 - iii) MSU to Switch to Payroll Debit Cards
 - iv) COGS Office Student Employees
 - v) COGS Disciplinary Leadership Awards
 - vi) Strategic Plan Informational Item (Attachments 7,8)
 - B) Vice President for Internal Affairs – Dan Clark
 - i) Relationship Violence and Sexual Misconduct Policy (Attachments 9, 10,11)
 - ii) Spartan Village Redevelopment
 - iii) Ad Hoc Committee on Health Care
 - iv) Administrative Transparency
 - v) RA and TE Compensation
 - vi) Committee Report: Community Relations Coalition with Representative Jamil

(a) One of the events that is going on is the Taste of East Lansing, it brings the community out together and a majority of the proceeds to towards Community Area Housing Project

- vii) Committee Sign Ups
- viii) COGS Representation Committee
- C) Vice President for External Affairs – Amanda Maxwell
 - i) Meetings
 - ii) Committees
 - iii) Philanthropy
- D) Treasurer – Chris Haug
 - i) November Monthly Financial Report (Attachment 12)
 - ii) December Monthly Financial Report (Attachment 13)
- E) Recording Secretary – Jessica Schein
 - i) COGS Minutes
 - ii) Graduate Academic Conference
- F) Parliamentarian – Meaghan McKeon, no report
- G) Director of Events – Femi Oluyedun
 - i) Super Bowl Mixer & Trivia Night
 - ii) GPSAW , Thursday April 9th
 - iii) Basketball Streaming Parties
 - iv) Upcoming Events
- H) Law College Liaison – Katrina Brundage
 - i) Super Bowl Mixer & Trivia
 - ii) YouVote Initiative Update
 - iii) Resolution Drafting
- I) Medical Colleges Liaison – Cyle Rogotzke, no report
- IX) Member’s Privilege**
 - A) Representative Kamali moves that we get reimbursed for the parking of today’s meeting
 - i) Representative Clarkson moves to table until next full council meeting, approved by acclamation
- X) Adjourn**
 - A) Representative Baker moves to adjourn at 7:42 pm, approved

**** COGS Full Council Action Required**