

COGS Full Council Meeting Minutes
Plant and Soil Sciences, Room A155
November 12, 2014
5:30pm – 7:30pm

- I. Approval of Agenda
 - A. Representative Loelius moves to put the ad-hoc healthcare committee report as section VI. before presentation by Rene Regard, approved
- II. **Approval of Minutes from September 3, 2014 COGS Full Council Meeting (Attachment 1)
 - A. Minutes stand as approved
- III. **Approval of Minutes from October 8, 2014 COGS Full Council Meeting (Attachment 2)
 - A. Minutes stand as approved
- IV. Remarks from the Graduate School
 - A. Dr. Matt Helm:
 1. New program in place offering graduate student write ins, see careersuccess.msu.edu
 2. Leadership Institute focusing on resiliency
 3. Spring semester-Leadership Academy
 4. Alternative Academic Careers for PhD's in the humanities, Nov. 18, 2014 5-6:30 pm in Chittenden Hall
- V. Remarks from COGS Faculty Advisor, Dr. MaryLee Davis
 - A. Spoke about last week's the re-dedication of Chittenden Hall
- VI. Committee Sign Ups, COGS VP Internal Affairs, Dan Clark
- VII. Report from Chair of Ad-hoc Healthcare Committee, Sudha Sankar
 - A. Gave progress update of the committee including summary of questions formed by the group, meeting with the Provost, and plan moving forward
 - B. Next meeting is TBA
- VIII. Presentation: Graduate Student Health Care, Reneè Rivard, Director of Total Compensation and Wellness, MSU Human Resources
 - A. Also in attendance, Chris Hannah and Jeff Brody
 - B. Walked through the rational and logistics of graduate assistant and student health care plans
 - C. Answered questions from the Full Council. Additional questions can be sent to Secretary Schein at scheinje@msu.edu and will be compiled and forwarded to Reneè Revard
 - D. Representative Baker Moves to recess for pizza at 6:32 pm.
 - E. Call to order at 6:41 pm
- IX. Presentation: National College Health Assessment Data, Allyson Rogers, Student Health Center Communications Manager
 - A. Recommendation by the Full Council that based on the presented data, counseling availability be discussed by the Graduate Welfare Committee
 - B. Recommendation by the Full Council to provide the COGS Graduate & Professional Student Health Recommendations to the Full Council
 - C. Recommendation by the Full Council that data specific to graduate & professional students from Allyson Rogers be made available to the Full Council



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- X. Executive Board Remarks (Attachment 3)
 - A. President – Emily Bank
 - 1. New Member Introductions
 - 2. Written E-Board Remarks included as Attachment
 - a) Questions regarding written E-Board remarks can be answered by email
 - B. Vice President for Internal Affairs – Dan Clark
 - C. Vice President for External Affairs – Mandie Maxwell
 - D. Treasurer – Chris Haug
 - E. Recording Secretary – Jessica Schein
 - F. Parliamentarian – Meaghan McKeon
 - G. Director of Events – Femi Oluyedun
 - H. Law College Liaison – Katrina Brundage
 - I. Medical Colleges Liaison – Cyle Rogotzke
- XI. Committee Reports (Attachment 4)
 - A. Questions on committee reports can be answered by email
- XII. Unfinished Business
- XIII. New Business
 - A. **Fall 2014 Event Funding Requests
 - 1. Representative Puniani moves to make an amendment to event funding to approve the request for \$1500 for Indian Student Association, approved by acclimation
 - 2. Representative Clarkson moves to approve the event funding amount of \$3270, for 4 allocations as stated on the slide, approved by acclimation
 - B. **Approval of \$800 COGS Co-Sponsorship of International Students Association Thanksgiving Dinner
 - 1. Representative Loelius moves to approve the funding amount \$800, as stated on the slide for ISA Thanksgiving Dinner, approved by acclimation
 - C. **Approval of \$1000 COGS Co-Sponsorship of Graduate Student Leadership Institute
 - 1. Allen Clarkson moves to approve the funding amount of \$1000 as stated on the slide, approved by acclimation
 - D. **Request to Change the Dates of COGS Full Council Meetings on:
 - 1. Representative Clarkson moves that the full council meeting scheduled for January 14, 2015 be moved to Jan 21, 2015 and that the meeting scheduled for February 11, 2015 be moved to the February 18, 2015, approved by acclimation
 - E. **Proposed COGS Bylaw Changes (Attachment 5)
 - 1. 3.1.1.6 Representation Committee:
 - a) Representative Clarkson moves to approve this proposed bylaw 3.1.1.6. with the change of the language “This bylaw empowers the Full Council to, at any time and without recommendation from any committee, grant voting membership and a seat on the full council to any university recognized student organization representing graduate students on campus with a majority vote.” to “This bylaw empowers the Full Council to, at any time and without recommendation from any committee, grant voting membership and a seat on the full council to any university recognized

student organization representing graduate or professional students on campus with a majority vote.” and 3.1.1.6.1 approved by acclimation

- b) Representative Huey moves to adjourn, motion denied
 - 2. Representative Loelius moves to adopt the proposed bylaw changes 6.1.3, 6.1.7, 6.2.8, 6.4.2, 6.4.7, 6.6.8 as a slate, approved by acclimation
 - 3. Representative Loelius moves to adopt the proposed bylaw 6.6.4.
 - a) Representative Siemer moves to strike the word monthly from the proposed bylaw and change to quarterly, approved by acclimation
 - b) Representative Sankar moves to table discussion of this proposed bylaw until December full council meeting, approved 14 yes, 12 no
 - 4. Representative Loelius moves to adopt the proposed bylaw 7.4.3
 - a) Representative Scott moves to refer this proposed bylaw back to Constitution & Bylaws Committee and task the treasurer to work with the committee to put together a plan for implementation of electronic voting, approved by acclimation
- F. **2014/2015 Committee Elections
- 1. Representative Geske moves to adjourn at 8:40 pm, approved
- ** COGS Full Council Action Required