

COGS Full Council Meeting
Law College, Castle Boardroom, Room 343
December 4, 2013
5:30pm – 7:30pm

- I. Approval of Agenda
- II. Approval of Minutes from November's Full Council Meeting (Attachment 1)
- III. Remarks from the Graduate School
 - Graduate School 'Got Chitt Done'
 - <http://goo.gl/5rmybe>
- IV. Remarks from COGS Faculty Advisor (Dr. MaryLee Davis)
 - Thanks to the graduate school and everyone
- V. Presentation: Spartan Village by Vennie Gore, Vice President for Auxiliary Services and Kathy Collins, Director, Campus Living Services and Residential
 - Spartan Village Future: Important to have this area, but it needs to be revamped, number of issues
 - Will meet with stakeholders to discuss the new construction and renovations
 - Completion aim summer 2017
 - <http://liveon.msu.edu/svredevelopment>
- VI. Presentation: Graduate and Professional Student Health Data by Allison Rogers, Student Health Center Communications Manager and Emily Bank, COGS Representative from HALE
 - Results of Student Health Survey: National College Health Assessment
 - Results show that graduate students suffer from high stress, anxiety, depression, work, and sleep difficulties
 - Finances becoming an increasing problem for grad students
 - To see the whole report: <http://olin.msu.edu/spartanhealth/faq.htm>
- VII. Presentation: 2013 WDBM Budget by Ed Glazer, GM, Impact 89FM
 - Currently undergoing an audit
 - Planning new shows
- VIII. Presentation: Advanced degree commencement speaker nominations by Ali Mohebi, COGS Representative from Electrical and Computer Engineering
 - Nominate a commencement speaker, motivational, known individual, role model, engaging, interesting, high academic rigor, worthy honorary PhD
 - http://commencement.msu.edu/speakers_and_honorarydegrees
 - Deadline is Dec. 14, participate through social media



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IX. Executive Board Remarks (Attachment 2)

a. President (Stefan Fletcher)

i. Athletics Department Update:

- Collaboration with Athletics provided students an opportunity to attend the Minnesota football game this past Saturday for free.
- Congratulations to several MSU teams that have been performing well at the national level, including the MSU football team, field hockey, and men's soccer. In particular, good luck to the MSU football team this Saturday as they play Ohio State for the Big 10 Conference Championship down in Indianapolis and to the MSU men's soccer team who take on Notre Dame in the Elite Eight of the NCAA Division 1 Tournament.

ii. COGS resolution, discussed in New Business

b. Vice President for Internal Affairs

i. Appointing an interim VP-IA: Emily Bank

c. Vice President for External Affairs (Dionisia Quiroga)

i. COGS awarded 2013 Bea and Roy Mott Award for contributions to MSU Food Bank

d. Treasurer (Chris Harvey)

e. Recording Secretary (Katy Meyers)

i. Graduate Academic Conference:

- Last month to get in your submissions for the GAC
- We are excited to announce that Jorge Cham, the creator of PhD Comics will be our keynote speaker for lunch, and we will be showing his PhD Comics movie following the conference.
- Exciting prizes for our 3-minute dissertation competition and traditional 10-minute and poster presentations, including the opportunity to present at a MSU board meeting.
- Please sign up and alert your department about the December 20th deadline for submissions!

f. Law College Liaison (Michala Welch)

g. Medical Colleges Liaison (Kiro Malek)

h. Director of Event Planning (El-Ra Radney)

X. Unfinished Business

XI. New Business

a. Approval of Joint Agreement

COGS has been working with the MSU administration per the resolution that was approved at the October full council meeting to align its organizational practices within the penumbra of the University. All funds not used for personnel expenditures have been transferred to MSU accounts and we have received notice that the COGS Office Manager, Rebecca Mizell, will be transitioned into University-Based Employment promptly.

-Joint Agreement was unanimously approved by the full council

b. Committee Elections

XII. Member's Privilege

XIII. Adjourn