

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

COGS Full Council Meeting Minutes Clinical Center, Room 219A February 18, 2015 5:30pm – 7:30pm

Present Full Council Representatives: AFRE, ANS, BAE, ENT, FW, FSHN, HRT, PKG, PDC, AAAS, ENG, THR, EAD, KIN, LIT, TE, AIS, MGT, MBA, CHE, CEE, HM, LAW, BMB, CEM, MMG, NEU, PHY, PLB, PRIME, OM, Pharm, ANP, EC, GEO, HST, HDFS, CJ, HRLR, SW, SOC, BGSA, OGA, SPOM

Absent Full Council Representatives: FOR, PSM, LIN, RCS, RW, ADV, HRC, JRN, MI, CEPSE, FI, HB, MKT, SCM, ME, MUS, CMB, MTH, PSL, STT, PSY, CRC, VM, CSUS, ART, PHL, COMM, CSD, CSE, ECE, EPI, GEN, GLG, ZOL, NUR, PLS, ISA

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

Absent Executive Board Members: MED

I. Approval of Agenda

- a. Representative Vankirk moves to amend the agenda to add Report from Dee Jordan on Graduate Welfare Committee to New Business, approved
- b. President Bank recommended removing remarks from the graduate school to be included within the later report.
- c. Representative Baker moves to reorder item 11a New Member Introductions to follow the approval of the agenda. Approved
- d. Approving the amended agenda, approved.

II. New Member Introductions

III. **Approval of Minutes from January 21, 2015 COGS Full Council Meeting (Attachment 1)

- a. Representative Baker recommends including department name in attendance list and not individual name to accommodate for the presence of alternates
- b. Representative moves to amend to change the wording to “more than twice on this topic,” stands as approved

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

- a. Dr. Davis stressed the importance of expressing early interest in being involved in Executive Board with the upcoming nomination processes taking place during this meeting.

V. Presentation: 2014-2015 COGS Leadership Award Winners, Dr. Karen Klomparens, Associate Provost and Dean of The Graduate School

- a. 6 students were awarded the COGS Leadership Award. Dean Klomparens recognized each for their great individual accomplishments.
 - i. Phil Bratta
 - ii. Laticia Ruby Carrillo
 - iii. Ruth Ann Church
 - iv. Ka Wai Li



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v. Katy Meyers-Emery

vi. Ian Werkheiser

- VI. Presentation: Spartan Village – Special Housing Needs Project, Dr. Kathy Collins, Director of Residence Education and Housing Services
- a. Dr. Kathy Collins presented on the plans for the transition away from housing at Spartan Village to the new housing project that has been purposed to be built at the Old State Police location (corner of Kalamazoo St. and Harrison St.) on campus. The housing development plans to include undergraduate, graduate, and family housing. The project is in the final planning stages and needs to be approved by the Board of Trustees in the upcoming months. Projected move in dates will be as early as Summer 2016 for some of the family housing units.
 - b. Full Council members and guests discussed their concern for affordability, family specific housing, and amenities.
 - c. Further questions for Dr. Collins can be sent to the COGS Office cogs@msu.edu to be referred to Dr. Collins for response.
- VII. Presentation: Impact 89FM Radio Tax Referendum, Ed Glazer, General Manager, EDBM-FM, Impact 89fm
- a. **Impact 89FM Radio Tax Referendum Fee Renewal (Attachment 2)
 - i. Impact 89FM Radio Station requires a tax renewal. Ed Glazer presented the overall workings of the station including a breakdown of their spending that was distributed to the Full Council. The Station has won many awards throughout its history and continues its success today while looking to broaden its impact on campus in the future. Mr. Glazer encourages the Full Council to consider approving that the tax be approved to be included in the spring ballot for students to vote on renewing the tax.
 - ii. Representative Clarkson moves to put the referendum requiring the tax of students on the spring ballot, approved 37 Yes, 1 No, 0 Abs
- VIII. Presentation: Healthy Campus Initiative, Dr. Greg Holzman, Director of Healthy Campus Initiative
- a. Dr. Greg Holzman was charged by the Provost to take on the Healthy Campus Initiative. This initiative is a movement toward changing the culture of MSU towards becoming a community more mindful of healthy living. He is looking to cultivate connections with facets of campus that are already working to provide resources to the MSU community. The goal of this movement is to change the way individuals think about health on campus. By changing the way of thinking, actions will change and an overall healthy campus can form.
 - b. Further questions for Dr. Holzman can be sent to the COGS Office cogs@msu.edu to be referred to him for response.
- IX. Committee Sign Ups, COGS VP Internal Affairs, Dan Clark
- a. Representative Vankirk moves to limit future presentations to 30 minutes maximum for all presentations per meeting, not including questions. approved 20 Yes, 13 No, 4 Abs.
- X. Unfinished Business
- a. Representative Atkinson moves to discuss COGS Meeting Parking, approved
 - b. Representative Clarkson moves that the entire discussion be referred to the treasurer and finance committee to COGS to determine the legality and feasibility of the reimbursement before the next Full Council Meeting, approved
- XI. New Business
- a. 2015/2016 Executive Board Nominations; a memorandum was to the FC last week. Nominations are now open
 - i. Representative Clarkson nominates Secretary Schein for President, accepted
 - ii. Representative Vankirk self nominates for President

- iii. Visitor nominated Liaison Brundage for Vice President for Internal Affairs, accepted
- iv. Representative Stanley nominates Represent Scott for Vice President for External affairs, accepted via email
- v. Representative Vankirk nominates Representative Loelius for Vice President of External Affairs, did not accept or reject
- vi. Representative Vankirk nominates Dee Jordan for Vice President for External Affairs, accepted
- vii. Representative Clarkson nominates Representative Baker for Treasurer, accepted
- viii. Representative Jenkins nominates Representative Atkinson for Treasurer, did not accept or reject
- ix. Nominations will remain open until the March 18th elections
- b. **Spring 2015 Event Funding Requests, COGS Treasurer, Chris Haug
 - i. Representative Vankirk moves to approve the event funding, approved
- c. **Proposed COGS Bylaw Changes (Attachment 3), COGS Parliamentarian, Meaghan McKeon, paper bylaw changes.
 - i. Event Planning Committee-6.11.3, 8.2.1.5 as presented
 - 1. Representative Vankirk moves to adopt the bylaw, voting still open
 - ii. Purposed Change Bylaw 4.1
 - 1. Vankirk Motion to wave reading of the bylaw, approved
 - iii. Representative Vankirk moves to adopt the purposed bylaw 4.1
 - iv. Dee Jordan moves to amend the purposed bylaw change to “Each Representative Member (or recognized alternate) must attend at least two-thirds of all Full Council meetings each academic year.”
 - v. Representative Jenkins call to question, approved 30 Yes 3 No 0 Abs
 - vi. Voting on amending the motion as displayed on the screen, approved 29 Yes 4 No, 1 Abs
 - vii. Voting to approve the purposed changes to bylaw 4.1.
 - viii. Representative Vankirk call to question, approved 29 yes, 4 no, 0 Abs
 - ix. Voting to approving the purposed bylaw 4.1 change, voting still open
- d. **Collaboration: Community Relations Coalition, The Taste of East Lansing, \$500, COGS Treasurer, Chris Haug (Attachment 4)
 - i. Representative Clarkson moves to approve the requested funds, approved
- e. **2014/2015 Committee Elections, COGS VPIA, Dan Clark
 - i. Representative Vankirk moves to approve committee elections as a slate, approved
 - ii.
- f. Graduate Welfare Committee Report, Dee Jordan
 - i. The Diversity, Inclusion and Sensitivity Workshop will provide a platform for fostering a campus environment that is supportive and inclusive of graduate students from all walks of life. The hope is that as students we will better understand our own participation in and contributions to campus-culture climate dynamics and improve and identify strategies we can use to make our environment more inclusive. Finally, The workshop will also bring students face to face with many campus resources in the hopes that those who need additional support in theses topics will be directly corrected to resources. Dee Jordan encourages the Full Council to approve an \$800 fund for this event.
 - ii. Representative Loelius moves to approve the \$800 funding request for the Graduate and Professional Student Sensitivity Workshop, approved

XII. Executive Board Remarks (Attachment 5)

- a. President – Emily Bank

- i. Business Office Manager Evaluation
 - ii. MSU Health and Wellness
 - iii. Mental Health Awareness Week
 - iv. 2015-16 Executive Board Elections
 - v. 2015 University Awards Convocation
- b. Vice President for Internal Affairs – Dan Clark
 - i. MSU Task Force on Sexual Assault and Relationship Violence Town Hall
 - ii. Spartan Village
 - iii. Ad Hoc Committee on Health Care
 - iv. RA and TE Compensation
 - 1. Representative Loelius updated the Council on the following recommendation for changes: 3% raise, more expansive tuition waiver, and keeping the current healthcare plan. Recommendations were sent to Provost.
 - v. COGS Representation Meeting
 - vi. Department Review
 - vii. Committee Reports
 - viii. iClickers
- c. Vice President for External Affairs – Mandie Maxwell
 - i. Graduate Welfare Committee
 - ii. Budget Analysis
 - iii. Committee Reports
- d. Treasurer – Chris Haug
 - i. January Monthly Financial Report (Attachment 6)
- e. Recording Secretary – Jessica Schein
 - i. COGS Alumni Database Project
 - ii. Graduate Academic Conference
- f. Parliamentarian – Meaghan McKeon
- g. Director of Events – Femi Oluyedun
 - i. Trivia Night & Super Bowl Mixer,
 - ii. GPSAW April 6-12,
 - iii. Open House
 - iv. Basketball Streaming Party
 - v. Upcoming Events
- h. Law College Liaison – Katrina Brundage
 - i. Super Bowl Mixer Report
 - ii. YouVote Update – Fair Elections Legal Network Report
- i. Medical Colleges Liaison – Cyle Rogotzke, absent

XIII. Member's Privilege

- a. Representative Clarkson: Thank you for dinner!
- b. Representative Williams the Department of Theater opens Macbeth at Fairchair Theatre Wharton Center Feb 20-March 1st
- c. Representative Farley: AAAS is having disciplinary job workshop Tuesday Feb 24th from 12-1:30 pm
- d. Liaison Brundage invited the Council to the two law events approved tonight
 - i. International Law Review Annual Symposium on healthcare—free, come out and support, info on the law school website.

- e. Representative Loelius-cyclotron is the coolest place on campus, they do tours all of the time, come by
 - f. Swing group on campus is having issues reserving a room/space on campus.
- XIV. Adjourn, Representative Clarkson moves to adjourn at 8:28 pm, approved

** COGS Full Council Action Required