

COGS Full Council Meeting
March 18, 2020
Zoom
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Attendees: AFRE, ANS, BAE, CSUS, ENT, FW, FOR, HRT, PSMS, PHL, EAD, KIN, TE, BME, CSE, CEM, GEN, GLG, IBIO, MMG, NEU, PHY, PLB, NUR, ANP, GEO, PSY, CJ, HRLR, SW, ISA, MANRRS

Non-Voting Attendees: Jennifer Gruber, Jayand Benjamin, Dr. Shaw, Dr. Maybank, Dr. McCabe, Stefan Bair, PRES, VPIA, VPEA, SEC, TRES, MEDLI, PARL, EVENT

Start 6:27PM



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1. Approval of the agenda
 - a. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Rep. McFall-Boegeman and seconded by Rep. Shirkey
 - b. The motion passed with 21 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstentions
2. Consent agenda
 - a. Approval of February meeting minutes
 - b. 20-SS-34: A Resolution to Approve the 2019-2020 Committee Appointment Recommendations
 - c. 20-SS-35: GSO Event Funding
 - d. Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Rep. Logan and seconded by Rep. Frans.
 - e. The motion passed with 21 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstentions
3. Welcome new representatives
4. Remarks from the Graduate School
 - a. Link on TGS home page with all information regarding COVID-19 and the Graduate School
5. Remarks from Student Affairs and Services
6. Remarks from COGS Advisor
7. New Business
 - a. 20-SS-36: A Resolution to Support ComSciCon-Michigan 2020
 - i. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Rep. McFall-Boegeman and seconded by Rep. Griffith.
 - ii. The motion passed with 23 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstentions.
 - b. 20-SS-37: A Resolution to Re-Allocate Funds to Support Graduate Student Needs During Covid-19 Outbreak
 - i. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Rep. Hugentobler and seconded by Rep. Logan.
 - ii. A friendly amendment to the resolution, extending the deadline from April to end of fiscal year, was made by Treasurer Casulli.

- iii. The motion passed with 26 For, 0 Against, and 1 Abstentions.
- c. 20-SS-38: A Resolution to Allow Conference Awardees to Utilize Funds for Other Travel in the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year
 - i. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Rep. Puentes and seconded by Rep. Snook.
 - ii. The motion passed with 26 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstentions.
- d. Covid-19 Discussion
 - i. Credit/no credit option
 - 1. Opportunity for changing courses to pass/fail option even though the deadline has pass.
 - 2. There would be exceptions.
 - 3. Poll showed majority of people liked the option.
 - ii. SIRS
 - 1. Making SIRS optional that way students can still give feedback if wanted but Faculty could omit results of this semester in tenure and promotion packets.
 - 2. Pre-/post- online questions?
 - 3. Majority approved of optional SIRS
 - iii. Fitness pass refunds
 - 1. Rec Sports is working on it
 - 2. Reaching out to parking office about parking pass refunds
 - iv. Grad school website: <https://grad.msu.edu/cv19>
 - 1. Security for stipends?
 - 2. Grant processing
 - 3. Summer TA positions?
 - 4. How does this affect international student work requirements/restrictions?



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- 8. Executive reports
- 9. Committee reports
- 10. Elections
 - a. President
 - i. Candidates:
 - 1. Megan Abel
 - ii. Results 24 for Megan Abel, and 1 for none of the above
 - b. Vice President for Internal Affairs
 - i. Candidates:
 - 1. Zoe Hansen
 - 2. Namratha Shah
 - ii. Results 17 for Zoe Hansen, 6 for Namratha Shah, and 0 for none of the above
 - c. Vice President for External Affairs
 - i. Candidates:
 - 1. Diondra Straiton
 - ii. Results 24 for Diondra Straiton, and 0 for none of the above
 - d. Treasurer
 - i. Candidates:

1. Namratha Shah
 2. Alyssa Logan
 - ii. Result 12 for Namratha Shah, 14 for Alyssa Logan and 0 for none of the above
- e. Recording Secretary
 - i. Candidates:
 1. Sarah M^cFall-Boegeman
 - ii. Result 22 for Sarah M^cFall-Boegman, and 0 for none of the above
11. Representative's Privilege
12. Adjourn
 - a. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rep. Spiros and seconded by Rep. M^cFall-Boegeman.

End: 8:45PM



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