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

Attendees: AFRE, ANS, BAE, CSUS, ENT, FW, FOR, HRT, PSMS, ACMMS, ENG, THR, RW, MBA, ADV, CSD, TE, CHE, LAW, BMB, CMB, CEM, GEN, GLG, IBIO, MTH, MMG, NEU, PHY, NUR, OM, ANP, EC, GEO, HDFS, PSY, CJ, HRLR, SW, SOC, BGSA, MANRRS, 
Non-Voting Attendees: Dr. Shaw, Dr. McCabe, Kristen Tollefson, Jessica Scott-Nehls, Hannah Wellman, Jodie Eckard, PRES, VPIA, VPEA, SEC, TRES, LAWL, PRAL, EVENT 

Start Time: 6:32 PM

1. Approval of the agenda  
   a. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Rep. Ward and seconded by Rep. Puentes  
   b. Motion passed unanimously

2. Consent agenda  
   a. Approval of October meeting minutes  
   b. 20-FS-09: Professional Development Awards  
   c. 20-FS-10: 20-21 Committee Appointments  
      i. Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Rep. Knowles and seconded by Rep. Chong  
      ii. Motion to approve the agenda passed with 24 approve, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions

3. Welcome new representatives

4. External Speakers  
   a. OISS

5. Remarks from the Graduate School

6. Remarks from Student Affairs and Services

7. Remarks from COGS Advisor

8. New Business  
   a. 20-FS-11: Change to Professional Development Award Guidelines  
      i. Motion to support the guidelines was made by Rep. Puentes and seconded by Rep. Chong  
      ii. Motion passed with 35 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.  
   b. 20-FS-12: A Resolution to Re-Allocate Special Projects Funds to Support Graduate Students During the Covid-19 Outbreak  
      i. Motion to support the re-allocation of special project funds was made by Rep. Fiesel and seconded by Rep. Stokes.

The Council of Graduate Students (COGS) is the constitutionally authorized government representing all graduate and professional students at Michigan State University.
1. Motion to amend the resolution by forming 2 resolutions for the 2 items of CAPS and a Technology fund was made by Rep. Iretskaia and seconded by Rep. Frans.

2. Motion to amend the original resolution and create 2 resolutions passed with 18 in favor, 10 opposed, and 6 abstentions.
   i. The motion to support 20-FS-12, CAPS funding, passed with 30 in favor, 1 opposed, and 1 abstention.
   ii. The motion to support 20-FS-15, technology grant funding, passed with 34 in favor, 1 opposed, and 1 abstention.

3. 20-FS-13: A Resolution to Establish a Director of Equity and Anti-Discrimination (DEA)
   i. Motion to support the establishment of a director position was made by Rep. Chong and seconded by Rep. Fiesel.
      1. Motion to amend the legislation to DoEA as the position acronym was made by Rep. Frans and seconded by Rep. Hybels.
      2. The amendment passed unanimously.
   ii. Motion to support the director position passed with 34 in favor, 1 opposed, and 4 abstentions.

4. 20-FS-14: A Resolution to Increase the Pool of Graduate Students Eligible to Serve on the Student Faculty Staff Hearing Board (SFSB) for the 20-21 Academic Year
   i. Motion to approve the increase in eligible students to serve on the SFSB was made by Rep. Seay and seconded by Rep. Frans.
   ii. Motion to approve the increase in eligible students to serve on the SFSB passed with 27 in favor, 0 opposed, and 11 abstentions.

5. Proposed rental ordinance
   i. Motion to endorse the proposed rental ordinance language was made by Rep. Henderson and seconded by Rep. Frans
   ii. Motion to endorse the language passed with 31 in favor, 0 opposed, and 4 abstentions.

6. Covid-19 Discussion

9. Executive reports

10. Committee reports

11. Representative’s Privilege

12. Adjourn

   b. The motion to adjourn passed unanimously.

End Time: 8:01 PM