COGS Full Council Meeting  
March 17, 2021  
Zoom  
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Attendees: MTH, FOR, BGSA, ADV, PHY, GEN, HRT, OM, ACMMS, GLG, AFRE, MMG, SOC, TE, NUR, MBA, EC, CJ, CHE, CSD, NEU, ENG, HDFS, ENT, THR, BMB, ANP, CMB, IBIO, PLB, LAW, COMM, HRLR, CSUS, ANS, RW, FW

Non-Voting Attendees: Dr. Shaw, Dr. McCabe, Thomas Jeitschko, Eric Torng, Sophie Walters, Jeremey Whiting, Sue Rankin, Aaron Iturralde, Dylan, Andrew Deschaine, Luke Sloan, Mariam Cheaib, Nathan Stearns, Carly Molenkamp, PRES, VPIA, VPEA, SEC, TRES, LAWLI, MEDLI, PARL, EVENT, DOEA

Start Time: 6:32 pm

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

2. Consent agenda  
   a. Approval of February meeting minutes  
   b. 21-SS-34: Professional Development Awards  
   c. 21-SS-35: Conference Awards  
   d. 21-SS-36: GSO Event Funding  
   e. 21-SS-37: Technology Awards  
   f. 21-SS-38: 20-21 Committee Appointments  
      i. Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Rep Conner and was seconded by Rep. Puentes.  
      ii. Motion approved with 28 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

3. Welcome new representatives

4. External Speakers  
   a. Sophie Walters (She/Her/Hers) – Prevention Specialist at POE  
   b. Impact Radio

5. Remarks from the Graduate School

6. Remarks from Student Affairs and Services

7. Remarks from COGS Advisor

8. New Business

The Council of Graduate Students (COGS) is the constitutionally authorized government representing all graduate and professional students at Michigan State University.
a. 21-SS-39: A Resolution Requesting Graduate Student Inclusion in Spring 2021 Commencement Ceremonies
   i. Motion to approve the resolution to request graduate student inclusion in the spring 2021 commencement ceremonies was made by Rep. Fiesel and was seconded by Rep. Ward.
   ii. Motion approved with 23 in favor, 2 opposed, and 9 abstentions.

b. 21-SS-40: A Resolution in Support of Greater Transparency and Accountability Regarding Violations of MSU’s RVSM Policy
   i. Motion to support the resolution in support of greater transparency and accountability regarding violations of MSU’s RVSM policy was made by Rep. Stokes and seconded by Rep. Ward.
   ii. Motion approved with 23 in favor, 0 opposed, and 5 abstentions.

c. 21-SS-41: A Resolution Approving the FM Radio Tax Renewal Ballot Language
   i. Motion to support the resolution approving the FM radio tax renewal ballot language was made by Rep. Ward and seconded by Rep. Stokes.
   ii. Motion approved with 34 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention.

d. 21-SS-42: A Resolution in Support of a Financial Donation to MSU Safe Place
   i. Motion to support the resolution in support of a financial donation to MSU Safe Place made by Rep. Ward and seconded by Rep. Hugentobler.
   ii. Motion approved with 35 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention.

e. Covid-19 Discussion

9. Executive reports

10. Committee reports

11. Elections
   a. President
         1. Rep. Frans declined the nomination.
         1. Rep. Fiesel was not present at the time to accept/decline the nomination.

b. VPIA
i. A motion was made to nominate Rep. C. Stokes for vice president of internal affairs by Rep. Stokes and was seconded by Rep. Chong.
   1. Rep. Stokes accepted the nomination.
   ii. The motion passed with 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

c. VPEA
   i. A motion was made to nominate Rep. Hugentobler for vice president of external affairs by current VPEA Straiton and was seconded by Rep. Ward.
      1. Rep. Hugentobler accepted the nomination.
   ii. The motion passed with 31 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

d. TRES
      1. Rep. Lawson declined the nomination.
   iv. The motion passed with 31 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

e. SEC
   i. A motion was made to nominate Rep. Meiring for recording secretary by Rep. Meiring and was seconded by Rep. Casella.
      1. Rep. Meiring accepted the nomination.
   ii. The motion passed with 31 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

12. Representative’s Privilege

13. Upcoming Events

14. Adjourn
   b. Motion passed unanimously.

End Time: 8:25 pm