COGS Full Council Meeting December 6, 2023 Chittenden 110 & Zoom 6:30-8:30 pm EST

START: 6.30 PM

Attendees: AFRE, ANS, ACMMS, AGSA, ANP, BAE, CEM, ME, ENG, GEN, PRIME, NUR, MTH, PSY, PLS, PLB, PHY, GLG, EPI, MBA, HRLR, CMB, FW, LIN, PKG, CSUS, SOC, MANRRS, NEU, KIN, FSHN, PHI, CSD, MMG, BME, CMSE, PSMS, TE, HDFS, CHE, EAD, THR, CJ, EC, JRN, ENT, RW

Non-Voting attendees: Dr. Allyn Shaw AVP (SLE), Dr. Stefanie Baier (Graduate School), Dr Hima Rewal (Graduate School), Steve Thomas (Graduate School), EVP Norm Beauchamp (Vice President for Health Sciences), Dean Leo Kempel (College of Engineering), Gloria Ashalou (Joy and Gratitude Celebration proposal), Laila Kunaish (CAS), Josh Sachez (Channel 6 News), Aya Aoude, Deanne Arking, James Peetz (Staff), Pres Jeffery, VPIA Chamoun, VPEA Kaur, TRES Roberts, SEC Kitcher, PARL Amaniampong, EVENT Cardino, DoEA Pyram

- 1. Time to fill out committee reports. Pres Jeffery asked committee members to complete the committee report and reminded members of the graduation cord for those who served CO for at least four years.
- 2. Standing Rules
 - a. Welcome of New Members
 - b. Guide to Robert's Rules of Order
 - c. Guide to iClicker
- 3. Approval of the agenda
 - a. Motion: Rep Pearce
 - b. Seconded by: Rep Hill
- 4. Consent agenda
 - a. Approval of November meeting minutes
 - b. 23-FS-22: Conference award funding
 - c. 23-FS-23: Professional development award funding
 - d. 23-FS-24: GSO event funding
 - e. 23-FS-25: Committee appointments
 - i. Motion: Rep Heilman
 - ii. Seconded by: Rep Baisley
 - iii. Votes:
 - 1. Yes=33
 - 2. No=0
 - 3. Abstain=0

5. External Speakers

a. Gloria Ashalou (she/her) (ashaolug@msu.edu) – Proposal: In Joy! Gala

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Gloria did a presentation on Joy and Gratitude Celebration proposal. A celebration for graduate students. She asked for support and feedback from full house council. The proposal was lauded, and feedback were given.

b. Dean Leo Kempel (he/him) (kempel@egr.msu.edu) – MSU research update

He outlined new equipment bought to replaced old ones and new facilities being built like engineering and digital innovation center, new computing system for research.

c. EVP Norm Beauchamp (he/him) (beauch@msu.edu) – MSU health care update

He outlined the idea to bring health accessibility to many communities, he gave an update on research health facilities, MSU partnership opportunities etc.

6. Remarks from Student Life and Engagement (SLE)

Dr. Shaw gave un update on December 15 graduation, University closure for winter break, reminded the house of spring calendar, advice students to take care of themselves during the break. Commend Treasure Robert for the new role of chair, radio board.

7. Remarks from the Graduate School

Steve Thomas updated the house on incoming five events organized by the graduate school e.g., GT workshops, OISS welcome event, Wellbeing Day, students mentorship program etc.

- 8. New Business
 - a. 23-FS-26: A Resolution to Support the HEAL Conference
 - i. Motion: Rep Olava
 - ii. Seconded by: Rep Hill
 - iii. Votes:
 - 1. Yes = 40
 - 2. No = 1
 - 3. Abstain = 0
 - b. 23-FS-27: A Resolution to Update the Conference Award Funding Guidelines to Gender-Neutral Language
 - i. Motion: Rep Khandelwal
 - ii. Seconded by: Rep Kothari
 - iii. Votes:
 - 1. Yes = 42
 - 2. No = 0
 - 3. Abstain = 0
 - c. 23-FS-28: A Resolution to Update the Professional Development Award Funding Guidelines to Gender-Neutral Language
 - i. Motion: Rep Olava
 - ii. Seconded by: Rep Baisley
 - iii. Votes:

1. Yes
$$= 39$$



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- 2. No = 0
- 3. Abstain = 0
- 9. Recurring Business
 - a. 23-FS-29: A Resolution to Advocate for Students' Safety, Support, and Recognition
 - i. Motion: Rep Liu
 - ii. Seconded by: Rep Pearce
 - iii. Votes:
 - 1. Yes = 30
 - 2. No =5
 - 3. Abstain = 2
 - b. There was a table motion to continue discussing the resolution to advocate for Students' Safety, Support, and Recognition.
 - i. Motion: Rep Baisley
 - ii. Seconded by: Kothari.
 - iii. Votes
 - 1. Yes = 33
 - 2. No = 3
 - 3. Abstain = 1
- 10. Executive Reports

i. DoEA Pyram

She reminded the house on the Equity and Anti-discrimination Committee's fall DEI survey.

- ii. TRES Roberts reminded the house about the deadline for funding awards in the Spring semester.
- iii. VPEA Kaur

She reminded the house of the writing grant workshop.

iv. EVENT Cardino, Updated the house on upcoming events for the spring semester.

11. Committee Reports Rep Curley updated the house on the library committee's open access policy.

- 12. Upcoming Events
 - i. Coffee and Connection
 - 1. strange matter in MSU union 1/11/2024
 - Chittenden with GROW 1/25/2023 (Graduate Office of Wellbeing)
 - ii. Weekly workout classes with Rec Sports at IM West
 - iii. Craft and Connection event, 1/19 at Chittenden lounge



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- iv. Open Ice Skating 1/28 at Munn Ice Arena
- v. The Red Wings event.
- 13. Representative's Privilege
- 14. Adjourn
 - i. Motion: Braggs
 - ii. Seconded by: Liu.

The meeting ended at 8: 43 pm.



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