

**COGS Full Council Meeting**  
**March 13, 2024**  
**Chittenden 110 & Zoom**  
6:30-8:30 pm EST

The meeting started at 6.30 pm.

Attendees: PRIME, ME, NUR, GEN, CEM, PLS, ENG, FOR, MTH, PSY, PLB, CMB, PHL, PHY, GLG, EPI, ENT, PDC, MBA, CMB, FW, PKG, ANS, JRN, CSUS, PSL, OM, SOC, MANRRS, BMB, AFRE, NEU, KIN, FSHN, AGSA, CSD, MMG, BME, HRT, PHARM, CMSE, HM, PSMS, TE, HDFS, GEO, CHE, THR, CJ, EC

Non-Voting Attendees: Dean Pero Dagbovie (Graduate School), Dr. Allyn Shaw AVP (SLE), Dr. Rique Campa (Graduate School), Dr. Doug Gage (Office of Research and Innovation), Dr. Jeff Rayis (Finance), Deanne Arking, Monique Morin (COMS), PRES Jeffery, VPIA Chamoun, VPEA Kaur, TRES Roberts, SEC Kitcher, PARL Amaniampong, EVENT Cardino, DoEA Pyram, Laila K. (Media & Information)



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1. Standing Rules
  - a. Welcome of New Members
  - b. Guide to Robert's Rules of Order
  - c. Guide to iClicker
2. Approval of the agenda
  - a. Motion: Rep Heilman
  - b. Seconded by: Rep Hill
3. Consent agenda
  - a. Approval of February meeting minutes
  - b. 24-SS-37: Committee appointments
    - i. Motion: Rep Lubben
    - ii. Seconded by: Rep Hill
    - iii. Votes:
      1. Yes=37
      2. No=0
      3. Abstain=0
4. Remarks from Student Life and Engagement (SLE)

Dr. Shaw expressed gratitude to the E-board for a successful tenure. He announced the graduation requirement and encouraged representatives to help their constituents vote on the radio tax.
5. Remarks from the Graduate School

Dean Dagbovie acknowledged GAC members' hard work and success in the academic community and expressed appreciation for the organizers. Dr. Campa reminded graduate students of weekly newsletters and teaching fellowships at the graduate school.
6. Remarks from the Office of Research and Innovation

Dr. Doug updated the house on the current research and mandate of the Office of Research and Innovation.

7. Recurring Business

- a. 24-SS-38: A Resolution to Call for Michigan State University to Divest from Weapons Manufacturers.

Amendment of the resolution to make it more specific.

- i. Motion: Rep Shirley
- ii. Seconded by: Rep Liu
- iii. Votes:
  1. Yes=35
  2. No=4
  3. Abstain=0

Approval of the resolution.



- i. Motion: Rep Liu
- ii. Seconded by: Rep Shirley
- iii. Votes:
  1. Yes=33
  2. No=7
  3. Abstain=0

8. 24-SS-39: A Resolution to Approve the WDBM Tax Referendum Language

- i. Motion: Rep Kothari
- ii. Seconded by: Rep Liu
- iii. Votes:
  1. Yes= 37
  2. No= 4
  3. Abstain=0

9. 24-SS-40: A Resolution to Approve Recommended Modifications to the COGS Bylaws

- i. Motion: Rep Hill
- ii. Seconded by: Rep Liu
- iii. Votes:
  1. Yes= 39
  2. No= 1
  3. Abstain=0

10. 24-SS-41: A Rebuttal to the Mention of Graduate Students in the Miller & Chevalier Report

- i. Motion: Rep Kayla
- ii. Seconded by: Rep Liu
- iii. Votes:
  1. Yes= 33
  2. No= 0

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3. Abstain=1

The resolution was postponed to the next full house Council meeting.

11. 24-SS-42: A Resolution to Increase the WDBM Tax
- i. Motion: Rep Baisley
  - ii. Seconded by: Rep Lubben
  - iii. Votes:
    1. Yes= 39
    2. No= 1
    3. Abstain=0

12. New Business
- a. COGS Executive Board Elections

Recording Secretary

- i. Motion: Rep Kothari
- ii. Seconded by: Rep Shirley
- iii. Votes:
  1. SK = 32
  2. SM= 6
  3. Abstain=0

Treasurer

- i. Motion: Rep Lubben
- ii. Seconded by: Rep Liu
- iii. Votes:
  1. Paige Baisley = 13
  2. Nic Heilman = 20
  3. Abstain =0



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Vice President of External Affairs

- i. Motion: Rep Lubben
- ii. Seconded by: Rep Shirley
- iii. Votes:
  1. Priyanka Kothari = 36
  2. No = 3
  3. Abstain = 0

Vice President of Internal Affairs

- i. Motion: Rep Shirley
- ii. Seconded by: Rep Liu
- iii. Votes:
  1. Lubben Noah = 24
  2. Nic Heilman = 13
  3. Abstain = 0

President

- i. Motion: Rep Kothari

- ii. Seconded by: Rep Shirley
- iii. Votes:
  - 4. Robert = 39
  - 5. No = 0
  - 6. Abstain = 0

13. Executive Reports

a. President Jeffery

- i. Update about the Recreational and Wellness Center fee fund
- ii. Update about housing for Spartan Village residents

14. Committee Reports

15. Upcoming Events

- a. Craft and Connection: We'll be making bean art on 3/15 from 12-3 @ Chittenden Lounge!
- b. Coffee and Connection: 3/19 from 9-10AM @ MSU Museum
- c. Planetarium Event: 3/20 from 7-8 PM @ Abrams Planetarium- we will be watching *Experience of the Aurora!*
- d. Sports arena event: 3/23 from 2-4 PM @ IM West
- e. Trivia night: 3/28 from 7-8PM @ Harrison Roadhouse
- f. GPSAW Events!
  - i. Craft and Connection @ Broad: 4/1
  - ii. Dairy Store outing: 4/2 (maybe)
  - iii. Coffee and Connection: 4/5 from 9-10 AM @ Constellation Cat Café
  - iv. SpareTime Bowling Event: 4/5 from 7-9 PM @ SpareTime Entertainment Center
  - v. Red Wings game: 4/7- tickets still available!
- g. Craft and Connection: 4/12 from 12:30-2:30 PM @ MSU Herbarium- featuring tours and pressed flower crafts!



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16. Representative's Privilege

Rep Curley said they are surveying graduate students to gather input on their perceptions of lab safety in their research, "Identifying Departments for Graduate Student Perception of Lab." She encouraged graduate students to respond to the survey.

17. Adjourn

- i. Motion: Rep Shirley
- ii. Seconded by: Rep Hill

The meeting ended at 9. 51 pm.