GSA Council Meeting Minutes
October 10, 2018

Type of Meeting: Meeting of the Council
Location: GSC Fireside Lounge
Meeting Facilitator: Radhika Prasad, GSA Chair
Note Taker: Katie Hellier
Invitees: Graduate Student Body

1. Call to order
   a. Chair Radhika Prasad called to order the meeting of the Graduate Student Association Council at 6:37 pm on October 10, 2018 at the GSC Fireside Lounge.

2. Role Call
   a. See the attached attendance log.

3. Approval of minutes from last meeting
   a. Minutes are posted on website - not formally voted upon.

4. Open Issues
   a. None

5. New Business
   a. Robert’s Rules of Order
      i. Randy motions to abolish for this academic year in favor of following Chair’s lead
         1. Discussion:
            a. Last year, council set aside RR and followed chair, which was a modified/relaxed RR
            b. Argument against: too informal, leaves room for people to not be heard and for too much control by one person. Should still have a transparent code of conduct.
            c. Suggestion: Maintain a relaxed RR
            d. Discussion of adopting another form of rules of order, such as consensus
            ii. Motion withdrawn.
            iii. Rora motions to postpone until following meeting, with caveat to develop a conversation around how to run the meeting.
               1. Randy seconds.
               2. 4/4 members vote to accept motion.

6. Randy motions to amend the agenda to vote in Department Representatives before new officers.
   a. Katie seconds.
   b. 4/4 members vote to accept motion.

7. The following nominees for department representatives were identified:
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** Representative approached the note taker after the meeting, has not yet been voted in
a. Katie motions to instate council membership to the volunteered representatives  
   i. Randy Seconds  
   ii. 4/4 vote in favor, motion is accepted
8. Randy motions to alter the agenda to move the order of listed items as needed.  
   a. Will seconds  
   b. 14/14 approve, motion is accepted
9. Regarding GSA E-board positions  
   a. Randy solicits for solidarity officer, secretary/webmaster  
   b. Introduces treasurer candidates Jin and Ashwin, nominated international student committee chairs Tony and Yulia, nominated travel grants coordinators Alexandra and Juliana  
   c. Randy motions to accept these people for the positions stated  
      i. Motion is seconded  
      ii. The council votes 18/18 to accept, motion is approved
10. Katie introduces/discusses the Internal Housing Committee from 2017-18  
    a. Randy motions to continue the committee  
    b. Juliana seconds  
    c. 14/15 vote in favor, 1/14 abstain. Motion is approved
11. Katie proposes to amend the constitution using supplied wording to extend term nominations (see attached).  
    a. Seconded
b. 16/17 vote in favor, 1/17 abstain. Motion is approved

12. Motion made to take break for food
   a. Seconded
   b. Voted in favor, approved.

13. Katie recruits for open committee representatives, motions to approve nominations listed.
   a. Seconded
   b. 16/17 vote in favor, 1/17 abstain. Motion is approved.

14. Katie introduces previous year’s use of hours spent in committee work in place of number of meetings attended. Randy motions to adopt proposed amendment to constitution (see attached).
   a. Seconded.
   b. Discussion:
      i. The graduate division has altered how much we receive per student, and there may be funds to pay students an hourly rate.
   c. Randy withdraws his motion.
   d. Juliana motions to postpone for additional discussion.
      i. Randy seconds.
      ii. 17/17 approve the motion.

15. Randy introduces three possible logos for the GSA.
   a. Informal vote to determine preference: GSC 5, Redwoods 10, Scales 4
   b. Motion to adopt the Redwoods logo, seconded
   c. 19/21 vote to accept, 2/21 reject. Motion is approved.
      i. NOTE: We have since been told we will not be able to use the logo after all. A call for additional logo ideas will be announced.

16. Allison speaks to the changes in the Title IX policy
   a. Sexual violence and sexual harassment policy is under review
      i. Student advisory board sees as big changes and concerns:
         1. Regards to definition of sexual assault
         2. Definition of relationship violence - combined category (no longer dating/domestic)
            a. Concerns about limitations of definition of violence
         3. Changes to Retaliation
            a. Concern: Too much ambiguity
         4. Policies and procedures
         5. Concern on formal investigation process:
            a. previously, all investigations must be performed within 60 day window
            b. rescinded, campus extending to 90 day window
            c. concerned that this will extend investigations, instead of addressing the issue quickly
         6. Policy now writing in space for Univ initiated investigations for individuals and groups
i. Public comment period - anyone affiliated can submit comments (Alison akhanson@ucsc.edu can be contacted, or email forwarded by Randy) Oct 29th Deadline, Office hours 12:30-2 pm

ii. Bring back to department, encourage students to comment

17. Motion to extend meeting time,
   a. Seconded
   b. 18/21 vote to accept, 1/21 reject, 2/21 abstain. Motion is approved.

18. Ana McTaggart - UAW - Request for co-sponsored event, “Save us from Saviors” - read by Yulia and Antony
   a. Requesting $400 for the event focused sex worker education
   b. Financial support and information support for event Oct 12
      i. focused on bill that bans advertising sex online
      ii. has implications for privacy of sex workers
      iii. event open to students, faculty, Santa Cruz community
      iv. food beverages provided
      v. $200 for the organizer, Vaness Carlyle and two student organizers, $100 food, and rest to printing costs
         1. Have received funding from SUA, UAW
         2. Not a UAW event - just sponsored, put on by graduate students
      vi. Total budget from all sources: $1600
   c. Randy motions to provide funding for the event
      i. Seconded
      ii. 14/18 approve, 4/18 abstain. Motion is approved.

19. Randy speaks on Measure M
   a. Discussion of the measure and positions
      i. local initiative to initiate rent control and other controls
   b. What does endorsement mean?
      i. We would draft a statement of support, send out
   c. Established rent control board
   d. Motion to endorse “yes” statement on Measure M and Proposition 10
   e. Seconded by Rora,
   f. 16/17 accept, 1/17 abstain. Motion is approved.

20. Randy introduces the event “Candidates Forum”
   a. Discussion
      i. putting together forum for local city council candidates, reps from yes on m, no on m to come to discuss and be questioned by students
      ii. Made to get students involved and educated
      iii. partnership with the SUA
   b. Funding proposal
      i. request for $700 - $250 for facility, $300 (max) for snacks, $150 (max) for parking
         1. SUA has more students and money - should they be covering more?
            More likely to get ugrad attendance
2. Propose to approve this money, with caveat that Randy will request from 
SUA president a larger portion (additional funds will return to GSA).

c. Ashwin motions to cosponsor this event
   i. Will seconds
   ii. 18/19 accept, 1/19 abstains. Motion is approved.

21. Announcements
   a. Housing: Tuesday Oct 23rd 6:30-8:30 open comments on draft EIR for SHW
   b. Pub night at Poet for UAW - UC grads voted 85% against the contract
   c. Tomorrow: Beyond Compliance forum about campus resources

22. Adjournment of the meeting by Radhika Prasad at 8:27 pm.
Extended terms of nomination for committee representatives

**Current:**
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APPROVED

Regarding committee representative qualification for stipend

**Current:**
III.E.1 **The representative must attend at least 3 committee meetings per quarter.** For committees that **do not meet this often,** serving on that meet quarterly also satisfies this requirement.

**Proposed:**
III.E.1 **The representative must attend at least 3 committee meetings per quarter or perform six (6) hours of dedicated work for the committee.** Examples for meeting hourly requirements: extended meeting times; performing necessary information gathering or tasks at the behest of the committee; attendance of GSA Council meeting with reporting of or updates on the committee’s work; hosting forums regarding committee topics. For committees that **do not meet this often or require six hours of commitment,** serving on three different committees that meet quarterly or **two committees totaling the hourly commitment** also satisfies this requirement.

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