

Minutes:

- I. Call to order
 - A. President Jack Leff called to order the Meeting of the Graduate and Professional Student Senate Meeting at 5:30pm on **February 3, 2022** on Zoom.
- II. Sign-in
 - A. Senators signed in via Google Forms.
- III. Approval of agenda
 - A. President Leff read this Meeting's agenda.
- IV. Approval of January 20, 2022 Minutes
 - A. The Minutes were approved.
- V. Housekeeping
- VI. Commission Reports
- VII. Old Business
 - A. None
- VIII. New Business
 - A. None
- IX. Elections
 - A. Candidates for the 2022-23 Executive Board positions gave brief platform statements and answered questions from Senators.
- X. Adjournment
 - A. President Leff adjourned the meeting.

Meeting Start 1736 ;; Quorum 47

Minutes Adopted 29 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain

Announcements:

CGPS&P Resolution 2021-22 D to Institute a Living Wage will return from deferral and be presented at the University Council meeting on **March 21st at 3:30 PM**. The Zoom Link will be provided when we have it. The meeting will take place in [Pamplin 1045](#).

Please read the revised Resolution to be prepared for this meeting, invite colleagues and friends to attend, and reach out to folks to gain support for this Resolution.

Please maintain parliamentary order during the council meeting. Only council members are permitted to speak during the meeting unless otherwise recognized by the chair. Breaking these rules jeopardizes our ability to advocate for graduate students in this space and exposes us to being barred from doing so. Further, the room is equipped with microphones in the ceiling; please refrain from clapping or other extraneous noises to ensure folks on Zoom can hear what is going on in the room.

Living Wage Task Force: [Please apply to be on the living wage task force here!](#) We will be getting started on this before the end of the semester.

Blacksburg Graduate Housing Initiative: [Please apply to be involved in building graduate student housing in Blacksburg!](#) We are in the early stages of establishing a working group and creating a survey to see what housing needs graduate students have and how we can work with the town and other university stakeholders to achieve these goals.

The BoV will be having a Public Comment on Tuition and Fees event on **Tuesday, March 22 at 1:45**. You can register to speak (March 15 deadline) or submit a comment online (March 28 deadline) [by following this link!](#)

GPSS has voted to sponsor Take Back the Night (takebackthenight.org): 24 yes, 0, 0.

The GPSS Travel Fund Program to reimburse conference participation is until March 14th at 2359 hrs. [Fill out the form here!](#)

Meeting:

VP Fox: Permission to amend the GRE Resolution to attempt to pass it through CGPSP: 32 yes, 3 abstains >> permission granted.

UC Resolution A (Bylaws and Constitution): No additional comments aside from the ones put forth by policy team >> 24 yes, 0, 0

UCIA Bylaws Revision: We appreciate their work and the direction their bylaws are going.
Motion to provide a supportive comment: 30 yes, 0, 0

CFA 2021-22 B - D Resolution to Clarify Language in FH Extending Tenure and Continued Appointment: Comment waived 21 yes, 0,0

CEOD Resolution 2021-22A: Comment waived 19 yes, 0, 0

CGPSP 2021-22 G (Posthumous Degree): Endorse this resolution and a friendly amendment to add more background information to the resolution so that we know why this degree is important and where it originated from: 22 yes, 1 abstain, 0

Motion to adjourn early: 28 yes, 1 no, 4 abstain.

Meeting Adjourned at 1831 hrs