



Graduate & Professional Student Government

Assembly Minutes | October 14, 2016

“Advocating for an inclusive and empowered graduate and professional student community”

- **Welcome**— *Adam Reneker, GPSG President*
 - **Approval of the Minutes**
 - **President Updates**
 - Graduate Resources Survey
 - A graduate resource survey will be sent out to all Assembly Representatives via the GPSG Assembly listserv.
 - This survey has been designed to assist Indiana University to learn more about the experiences of its graduate and professional students. Your answers will be used by IU to evaluate existing services and programs, to design new ones, and to advise current and future students.
 - It is imperative that all GPSG Representatives make sure students in their departments know about the survey and ***strongly*** encourage as many of their graduate student peers to complete it.
 - Inclusive Excellence Committee
 - The Diversity Council will serve as the graduate representatives on the Inclusive Excellence Student Advisory Committee, which will work with the Office of the Provost to help address issues of involving diversity and inclusion at IU.
 - The committee will gather data, make recommendations for change, give input for the university’s Inclusive Excellence Plan, and serve as a bridge of communication between students and the university.
 - Appointment of Ambassadors
 - International Student Ambassador - **Animesh Priya, School of Public and Environmental Affairs**
 - *International Student Ambassador: This ambassador will represent the interests of international graduate students by working with the Office of International Services*
 - Parent Student Ambassador – **Alexis Barton, Psychology & Statistics**

- *Parent Student Ambassador: This ambassador will represent the interests of graduate students with children by working with the Office of Parents and Off Campus Student Affairs.*
- **Research Student Ambassador – Joey Huang, Counseling & Educational Psychology**
 - *Research Student Ambassador: This ambassador will represent the interests of graduate students that are focused on research by sitting on the Research Affairs Committee.*
- **Teaching Student Ambassador – Collin Bjork, Dept. of English**
 - *Teaching Student Ambassador: This ambassador will represent the interests of graduate students that hold teaching positions by sitting on the Bloomington Faculty Council.*
- **Representative Handbook**
 - We are working on a GPSG Representative Handbook that will help GPSG Representatives get oriented to their new roles. This book should be finished before our next Assembly meeting.
- **Upcoming Events— Karisa Millington**
- **Committee Updates— Committee Chairs**
 - **Benefits- Kate McCormick**
 - Continuing to make progress on the Graduate Student Resource survey by providing input to UGS and Vice Provost office; beginning a new initiative to formalize a policy on family/medical leave for SAAs.
 - **Diversity-Colton Ames**
 - Diversity has formally established its three subcommittees, addressing issues of sexual assault and sexual violence prevention, providing resources and information to international students, and lobbying for a prayer room to be established in Wells Library for the use of Muslim students. All three subcommittees are working hard on these initiatives, and we hope to present the Assembly with results in the next few months.
 - **Health & Wellness- Blake Forland**
 - The Health and Wellness Committee is continuing to work on the Faculty Mentoring program. We are also discussing ways GPSG can help students in other ways, such as assisting in the creation of a Graduate AA group and also increasing active shooter training for AIs. Our committee is also working on ways to increase communication and resolution progress tracking.
 - **Sustainability- Linus Platzer**

- Working on transportation alternatives, education & awareness campaign (sustainability photo contest over Thanksgiving), and sustainability stakeholders collaboration
 - Reviewing past resolutions and identifying needs
 - Solid working group, interested in collaboration for events
- **[Student Trustee Search \(PowerPoint link to her presentation\)](#)**— *Anna Williams, IU Student Trustee*
 - Indiana University is looking for Student Trustee
 - What is a Trustee?
 - The Board of Trustees is Indiana University’s governing board, its legal owner, and final authority. The board holds the university’s financial, physical, and human assets and operations in trust for future generations.
 - It is a nine-member board
 - 6 are appointed by the governor of Indiana
 - 3 are elected by the Indiana University Alumni Association
 - Who Can Apply?
 - Any full-time IU student from any of IU’s eight campuses may apply.
 - The student must be and must remain a full-time student for the duration of the appointment.
 - He or she may be an undergraduate or graduate student.
 - Questions?
 - Contact Anna Williams at aw30@indiana.edu
- **Guest Speaker**— *David Daleke, Vice Provost for Graduate Education and Health Sciences and Associate Dean of the University Graduate School*
- **Parliamentary Procedure Tutorial**— *Alyssa Gonzales Specht, GPSG Parliamentarian*
- **Presentation of the Budget**— *Brian Shaw, GPSG Treasurer*
 - Approval of the Budget
 - The GPSG Assembly approved the Budget
 - [Click here to review the budget](#)
- **Proposed Resolution**— *Adam Reneker, GPSG President*
 - Joint-Degree Tuition Review
 - Joint-Degree Tuition Resolution Passed, [click here to review the resolution](#)
- **Until Next Time**
 - Future Resolution
 - Adam encouraged everyone to submit their own resolutions.
 - [Short video](#) about GPSG resolutions
 - Resolution template can be downloaded [here](#)
 - Constitutional Facelift

- Meet with Committees
 - Social Hour
- **Adjourn!**