



Indiana University - Bloomington

Graduate & Professional Student Government

December 6th General Assembly

3:30-5:00pm EST

Woodburn Room 100

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Agenda & Minutes

Notetaker: VP, Katharina Schmid-Schmidfelden

Current Number of Representatives: 62

Number needed for Quorum: 21

Number attending assembly: 44

- Updates on parliamentary process: times of speaking etc.
- Approval of minutes from last time: approved
- Campus Updates:
 - Board of Trustees is looking for a student trustee (full time enrolled student for the next two years)
 - Green feathers austerity statement
 - Chancellor search
 - Text message threats statement
- 3 Minute Thesis 31st by 5pm attend in February 28th (monetary reward)
- Next GA Feb 7th
- March 7th executive election



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- GPSG Committees
 - Individual committees:
 - Awards:
 - 16 graduates were elected for the fall
 - We need additional volunteers
 - Benefits:
 - Flesh out existing benefits
 - A lot to have access to but resources are not easily available and accessible --> working on a website to make these resources more available
 - Unclear difference MA, Staff (often unionized) etc.
 - Which resolutions would benefit most people?
 - Upcoming survey is being developed
 - Q: Graduate Students without funding? We try to separate these resources: being paid versus being a student
 - DEI:
 - New Committee name
 - Resolution on contraceptives (IUSG is working on this as well): purchase a large amount of contraceptives to be free to pick up for students
 - Subcommittees
 - Q: why name change? This is across the University, it is another level of protection, it is not in the legislative system yet, Maurer changed theirs as well already in an attempt to protect themselves
 - Q: Are we giving up too fast? Proposal to talk about this further! **This will be voted on!**
 - Health and Wellness:
 - Graduate student involvement
 - Meeting w director of SRC is planned
 - Sustainability:
 - Bloomington City Hall and other IU departments
 - Events in spring semester
 - **Still looking for committee members and ideas! Please reach out to gpsgsust@iu.edu**
- GPSG Updates:



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- Teams!
 - GA department update emails in the minutes (aka here 😊, scroll down!)
- Social:
 - Potential Trivia nights on Tuesdays at the Orbit Room
 - **Cookies and Drinks event Friday 13th, 2-6PM**
 - Please come to our events!
- Representative Process:
 - Nominate
 - Confirm Nomination
 - Election
 - New process starting in May to reduce delay!
 - Q: different department timeline? YOUR process comes first! This is more for the departments that currently don't have a process – send us your information
- Grad Student Survey
 - General specific survey
 - Review questions and information
- Resolution workshop
 - Overall explanation: visit:
 - <https://gpsg.indiana.edu/advocacy/resolutions.html>
 - Q: Ask to archive the outcome of resolutions and what happens to them
- Feedback round:
 - Strong sense of justice
 - More concrete goals
 - Hard work into understanding ways of communication: some departments have interdepartmental communication, list servs?, group chats
 - Expressive activity policy resolution
- Breakout to committee meetings
- GA Happy Hour!



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December GA Email Template

Hello [your department's name],

At the last General Assembly of the GPSG, we have discussed the following topics:

- Apply for 3 Minute Thesis Event by January 31st, 5pm and attend in February 28th , there will be a monetary reward: <https://graduate.indiana.edu/funding-professional-dev/professional-dev/three-minute-thesis.html>
- We will hold the executive election for next year's GPSG Executive Committee at the March 7th General Assembly, please reach out if you are interested!
- **Cookies and Drinks event Friday 13th, 2-6PM at the GPSG Office in Wells Library**

If you have any feedback, insights, or queries, you would like heard in our graduate and professional government please reach out to me at - xx

[Your name and email]