

Graduate Student Association  
Delegate Assembly Meeting  
November 26, 2019

In attendance were:

- Applied Math Delegate, Phoebe Coy (remote)
- Sociology Delegate, Shaina Santa Cruz
- Cognitive and Information Sciences Delegate, Shannon Proksch
- President, Brandon Batzloff (interim moderator)

Total meeting time: 32 minutes

1. No quorum is required for GSA meetings. Because only three Delegates were in attendance, discussion about whether voting should take place in the meeting or online. Because the issues being voted on were determined not to be contentious, it was decided that voting would take place during the meeting.
2. Voting
  - a. Confirmation of the appointment of Cerena Lee as Internal Vice President:  
*Approved 3/3*
  - b. Confirmation of the appointment of Jonathan Anzules as Academic Affairs Officer: *Approved 3/3*
  - c. Confirmation of the appointment of Mark Seelos as Solidarity Officer: *Approved 3/3*
  - d. Food Pantry Referendum, passed by EC on Nov 21, 2019: *Approved 3/3*
  - e. Procedure for approving referenda or initiatives introduced by members of the General Membership: Introduction in EC, vote in EC, followed by vote in DA, passed by EC on Nov 21, 2019: *Approved 3/3*
3. Procedure for approving referenda or initiatives introduced by members of the general membership.
  - a. There is a need to codify the process as the Bylaws do not specifically address these issues.
  - b. Delegate Phoebe Coy has written an amendment addressing GSA approval of referenda.
  - c. Delegate Coy would like to simplify the amendment and include legislation introduced by the general membership.
4. Procedure for approving amendments to the GSA Bylaws.

- a. It has been noted that the change to legislative process initiated by the amendments to Bylaws approved by the DA in September does not take into consideration that amendments to Bylaws only requires approval of the DA.
  - b. An amendment of the Bylaws is needed to require amendments be approved by both the EC and DA.
5. Delegate Coy volunteered to draft the needed amendments.
  - a. Anyone wishing to assist in this process should contact Phoebe Coy.
6. The Cognitive and Information Sciences (CIS) Delegate, Shannon Proksch reports that the CIS graduate student organization would like to organize a meeting of all departmental graduate student organizations to share thoughts on organizational structure, strategy, and so on.
  - a. Delegate Proksch will send an email to all Delegates requesting contact info for the officers of said organizations.
  - b. For departments that do not have a graduate student organization, Delegates will be invited to take part.
  - c. The proposed meeting will take place early in the Spring Semester.
7. Social events feedback. Delegates had been asked to canvass their departments about what types of social events they would like to see the GSA host.
  - a. Suggestions so far:
    - i. Students like the idea of pizza.
    - ii. It is suggested that the Grad Pad should be made into a social hub.
    - iii. It was noted that there are board games in the GSA office in the grad pad that can be used.
  - b. Because so few Delegates were present, the feedback period has been extended until the January DA meeting.