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- 5:30 | Call to Order
  - Approval of Senate Meeting #14 Minutes
  - Approval of the Senate Meeting #15 Agenda
  
- 5:31 | Important Dates & Announcements
  - GPSA Programming
    - Recap from Ice Cream Social (400+ Grad-Prof students served)
  - GPSA Census Survey
    - Available now:  
[https://wsu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_7Vxuhasix4ZQdaR](https://wsu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_7Vxuhasix4ZQdaR)
    - Complete by 4/26
    - Sign documents if you win. Check your email and follow up quickly.  
Have to pick up from office.
    - Need more responses
  - R&E Center Meeting
    - April 26, will have digital connection
    - To connect via Zoom use this link: <https://wsu.zoom.us/j/4131716136>
  - Student Government Council Recap
    - Chair, purpose, and next year
    - New Chair and vice chair
  - Senate Scholarships/Awards
    - Process begins week of 4/29
    - If not received by 5/10, please email [vpgpsa@wsu.edu](mailto:vpgpsa@wsu.edu) and [berto.cerrillo@wsu.edu](mailto:berto.cerrillo@wsu.edu)
  
- 5:35 | The “Gavel Ceremony”
  - Welcome, Vice President Elect, Veniece Guillory-Lacy
  
- 5:45 - 5:50 | Open Floor
  - Items from the gallery
  - **Member of History Department:** Don't have a voting member because our member had to resign. Emailed to see if we could replace that spot and did not receive a response. Have sent three emails and did not receive responses. Filed a complaint through IAC since no special election took place. Response was that IAC had followed all the rules and a special election would be “detrimental” to GPSA. History department proposed a bylaw change to fill



spot of a representative if someone is to leave their spot. Still have not heard decision on the IAC on the amendment.

- **IAC Response (1):** Do have lists of “sent” emails. If anyone would like to talk in further detail, please let me (Susan) know.
- **IAC Response (2):** In IAC, is that going to go away after this year? Can I motion to move to next year.
- **IAC Response (3)** Did review, and thought the language was fine.
- **IAC Response (2)** This is something that should be considered in the future so it doesn’t happen again. Therefore, propose a motion to have this concern be move to next year so that it won’t get dropped.
- Motion seconded
- **Debate:**
  - **Incoming Executive Board:** Whether motion drops or not, we will still look at this issue over the summer
- **Vote:** Motion Passes
- **Question:** Understand frustration, curious about why you are bringing this up now even though you have had a problem since November.
  - A: Hoping to have a bylaws change through this process, but it did not occur. Coming in was as a response to not having a response.
- 5:50 - 7:10 | Old Business
  - Confirmation of Special Election College Representatives Nominees
    - Andrew Gillreath-Brown (CAS)
    - Haley Mikeska (College of Engineering and Architecture)
    - Anastasia Vishnevskaya (College of Communications)
    - Please see [full list of applicants and candidate statements](#)
    - *Confirmation Vote Required*
    - **Vote:** Motion Approved
  - 2019-2020 Budget
    - \$576,690 awarded from S&A Committee, full ask!
      - Q: Why are travel grants different by month?
        - A: Based off of previous research in which certain months are more popular travel times than others.
    - Please see the [updated 2019-2020 GPSA Budget](#)
    - *Approval Vote Required*
    - **Vote:** Motion Approved
  - RSO Funding and GPSA Affiliate Funding
    - 21 Applications for GPSA Affiliate Status!
    - 36 Applications for RSO Funding



- 7 Affiliate RSOs selected by Budget Committee
  - Association for Bangladeshi Students & Scholars (ABSS)
  - Diversity in Psychology Committee
  - Graduate and Professional Student Science Policy Initiative (GPSSPI)
  - Graduate Pride Alliance at Washington State (GPAWS)
  - Indian Student Association
  - Iranian Students' Association
  - Nigerian Students and Scholars Organization (NSSO)
- *Approval Vote Required*
  - Questions: How did you evaluate who was qualified to earn the affiliate funding?
  - A: More of a qualitative view of what groups would be contributing to the community.
  - Q: What about the rest?
  - A: A grading rubric to get a proportion of what they asked for
  - Comment: A remark for the group "Cougs for Recovery," since I am leaving next year and we need to make sure for next year to give funding.
  - Answer: Funding is not for quality of RSO but quality of the organization
  - Comment: There are many RSOs that did not get a lot of funding or did not get their requested amount. People may not understand what is happening next year with funding. I don't approve of this structure.
  - Answer: Encourage to look at this spring and last spring to see how similar they are to one another
  - Comment: Could send emails in the future to explain why group was not selected for affiliate status
- Motion for Approve Affiliate Funding
- **Vote:** Motion Approved
  - RSO Funding Allocation Announcement
  - Please see [the full list of RSOs funded and amounts](#)
    - This link also includes the full list of Affiliate and RSO Funding applications and which groups were approved
  - For comparison, also see [the RSO funding allocations for Spring 2019](#)
    - Spring 2019: 40 applied, 8 funded more than \$850, 16 not funded, 15 funded \$200-800



- Fall 2019/FY19-20: 36 applied (21 for Affiliate Status), 7 funded at \$2,500 per year, 19 not funded, 15 funded \$200-500
- R&E Center Senate Representation
  - Please see [updated bylaw changes with text of motion](#) and [senate apportionment proof](#)
  - Comment: IAC has been working on this for a whole year and I think expanding to other centers is a good plan so more students are represented.
  - Comment: On Thursday, an email was sent out to the GPSA to view the new bylaw changes. A student did respond to the committee and “replied all” to the senate (in which people who saw the response were not pleased. This student was then asked to apologize to the Senate tonight. This resulted in her leaving Senate for the night due to being quite upsetting.
  - Motion to move this discussion to next fall.
  - *Vote Required*
  - **Motion Proposed**
  - Debate:
    - Reponse: Disagree with this response. This has been worked on all year long. At the end of the day, we have to look at the good that it is going to do for the R&E centers. It would be helpful for all students and bigger than just one person.
    - Response: Some people do work over the summer. Would it require more work in the transition from old to new committees?
      - A: Executives will be working over the summer. Everything that has occurred are going into the transition documents. Can also reach out to IAC to discuss
    - Response to Senator Kristen: Not asking to drop it. We do need to talk about it, I just think that we need to be discussing this more. We do not need to restructure anything, I just think that voting on it the way that it is, after someone was attacked for their concern, it seems a bit rushed.
    - Clarifying question: Would this take effect in next election or in the Fall?
    - Senate has a choice to add a new temporary seat today, and then vote on it’s approval.



- Response: Seems like there is some confusion as to when the R&E seat would be taken into effect. Can you clarify?
  - Motion to have a five minute recess to discuss and find a answer as to when the election questions would take place.
  - **Vote:** Motion Approved
- First would be temporary and then would then be changed into a full seat.
- Q: If there are 60 full seats and the temporary seat is not official yet, then do they not get a senate seat?
- A: Would just go through the apportionment process again and be a temporary seat in the meantime.
- Q: We only have a budget for 60, so what do we do when there are 61 seats?
- A: The \$250 can be found in the budget
- **Motion Stated Again: Table until the fall**
- **Vote:** Motion Fails
- **Motion to Approve Bylaw change**
- **Vote:** Motion Passes
- 7:10 - 7:30 | GPSA 2019-2020 Final Business
  - Presidential Farewell
- 7:30 | Adjournment