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Here's the agenda:

- 5:30 | Call to Order
  - Approval of Senate Meeting #11 Minutes
    - Approved
  - Approval of the Senate Meeting #12 Agenda
    - Approved
  
- 5:31 | Important Dates & Announcements
  - GPSA Programming
    - Yin Yoga + Main Street Squeeze Smoothie
    - Mar. 23, 3:30 pm @ Sanctuary Yoga Barre & Dance
    - Limited to first 40 participants, register on [CougSync](#)
  - PDI Events
    - **Human Subject Research and Institutional Review Board Workshop** by the IRB Office
      - Mar. 4, 10:00 am-12:00 pm
    - **Stress Relief and Mindfulness** by Dr. Cecilia Richards, Professor School of Mechanical and Materials Engineering
      - Mar. 6, 1:00-3:00 pm
    - **Work and Wellness Discussion Series: Braving the Wilderness** by Dr. Lydia Gerber, Clinical Associate Professor; Co-hosted with Association for Faculty Women
      - Mar. 19, 12:00-1:00 pm
    - **How a University Works** by Provost Dan Bernardo
      - Mar. 20, 1:00-3:00 pm
    - **Writing Workshop Series: Writer's Block and Writing Strategies** by Elitza Kotzeva
      - Mar. 25, 1:00-3:00 pm
  - The Science of Happiness: Skills for Well-being by Janet Lewis-Muth
    - Mar. 25 & 26
    - Does require registration, and is on Qualtrics (not CougSync)
    - Six sessions over two days (all held in the Chinook)
    - Space is limited, sign up via this link:  
[https://wsu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_5nd0HTbl1t83Dj7](https://wsu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5nd0HTbl1t83Dj7)
  - GPSA Excellence Awards
    - Apply on CougSync
    - Applications close March 15



- SHARC event
  - March 29, 2019
  - Three session event on community resources and research collaboration
  - 12-3 pm in WSU Cub Auditorium
- 5:35 - 5:45 | Guest Speaker #1
  - Gary Jenkins, Pullman Chief of Police
  - 509-334-0802
  - Responsible for everything off campus, discussion on different training criteria that are enforced through training. Training is not the only solution, but a larger focus on department culture and values.
- 5:45 - 5:55 | Guest Speaker #2
  - Dawn Daniels, WSU Police Department Administrative Sergeant
  - [mdaniels@wsu.edu](mailto:mdaniels@wsu.edu)
  - 509-335-4385
  - Trama focus, particularly with sexual assault.
- 5:55 - 6:15 | Dialogue with Guest Speakers
  - Q: Spoke about de escalation, and other places have incorporated mental health training, what are you doing with regards to moving in that direction? Also, situation recently at minute mart that got out of hand quickly. How has that been a teaching moment/impacted the department?
    - A: Jenkins: Crisis intervention team is where you utilize professionals to go on calls. These are set up around the state. Not a huge frequency of these issues, so there is a not a lot of movement in this area (as compared to other places with high frequency). Also, funding is a issue to implementation.
    - A: Dawn: If know ahead of time, then we use those sources, but many times there is no prep time, so it is difficult to rely on them when the issue in all of a sudden. But do have response teams.
    - A: Jenkins: Can't talk much because in litigation. It looks horrible, but use of force often does look aggressive. We are however reviewing our use of force policies. It does impact relationship with community, so we have been to meetings with leaders of minority student groups to develop and maintain a new trust.
    - A: Dawn: We have looked at our defensive tactics to make sure that no one gets hurt (on either side). So really looking into what are ways to



be effective without causing a lot of injury. Many times they do not look or appear good.

- A: Jenkins: Early adopter of body cameras in order to be transparent and held accountable. We do use a full review on use of force. A low threshold that we continually review and discuss how they can be handled better.
- Q: Any relationship with the sleep research center in Spokane? Have you had any integration or participation?
  - A: Dawn: Don't participate since primary applied to Spokane officers. We have looked at the research to make sure that sleep deprivation wasn't a role. Especially since sleep deprivation can cause you to behave in ways that is similar to a DUI. We don't allow shifts over 12 hours and make sure two people are always on.
  - A: Jenkins: Very similar response of Pullman Department. We are working closely on a number of projects. Getting all body camera video that involves use of force. Doing body analytics that can use live feedback. Trying to determine officer behavior (not just sleep, but traumatic calls). Hopefully to know in the future so we can know if they need a break. Research showed that use of force was based on emotion and not based on race.
- Q: Students exposed to police brutality: maybe they don't feel comfortable reaching out. What would you say to those students to help them overcome those boundaries?
  - A: Dawn: Combat that a lot since students come from all over the place. Discussion or students who got out and got on their knees and put hands behind heads. The officer discussed with them what a typical traffic stop looks like in Washington. So be open and honest with students about what we can and can't do. Reaching out to students and letting them know their rights. Is a recurring lesson since new students come in each year. Once students know why we are there and around, then the culture has changed a lot. Students are a lot more willing to reach out, now they we reach out to them.
  - A: Jenkins: Police have bad days, and do things that they shouldn't, but the goal is to hold them accountable. We conduct investigations, look at body cameras etc. The goal is to always check up. Also, to have people provide feedback.
  - A: Dawn: Should always feel comfortable talking about what they are feeling. No one should fear the police. Even with different backgrounds, we hope for this community can address that.



- A: Jenkins: Can talk to people anonymously if you don't feel comfortable.
- Q: International students threatened to be deported if they don't pay a particular amount of money. Who can we reach out to do address that?
  - A: Dawn: Have heard about this, especially with international students. So please let us know if you have any suggestions. We try to post as much as we can to warn and bring awareness to. Can always call if you run into a situation.
  - A: Jenkins: You can always call, even remain anonymous, and give us the information or inquire about it.
- 6:15 - 6:25 | Intermission: Bathroom, Refills, Seconds
- 6:25 - 6:30 | New Business
  - Kids Science and Engineering Day
    - Kids can attend or you can volunteer to help
    - March 23 from 10am-3pm.
- 6:30 - 7:30 | GPSA Debates
  - Review of election policy and procedures
    - Application link: <https://studentvote.wsu.edu>
    - Voting opens tonight at 7:00 pm
    - Voting closes March 8 at 5:00 pm
  - GPSA President and Vice President candidates (Ralph Chikhany and Veneice Guillory-Lacy)
    - More information can be found in candidate statements
    - Meet with representative for each department
    - Small change in stipends (20 percent)
    - Food insecurity and endowment
    - Travel grant and RSO more transparency
    - Small dissertation or research grants
    - Put name out there
    - Not just department based senate seats (other groups)
    - Assimilation and blending in as a minority is a lot to ask. Goal to make events all diverse but it will feel normal.
    - Q: Been a large push to advocate and stress issues related to mental health. Also advocating for students with substance abuse issues. This feels a bit pushed under the rug. What are your thoughts on sustaining programs that are important for future students?



- A: Your leadership was huge, so I hope, someone can be trained and will come and speak to us. Also, could have more PDI events that focus on those issues. Could also have university affairs sustain those programs.
- Q: What's your stance on Robert's Rules?
  - A: Seeing that Robert's Rules are in the Constitution, I have to follow them. Unless someone wants to rewrite the constitution. I do know that people get annoyed with it, but it's a way for all voices to be heard.
- Q: Asking because I've been in your meetings and want to see how you would apply it.
  - A: I did not use Robert's Rules in my meetings, but did have an agenda. Senate and committee meetings are very different.
- Q: What are your hopes to achieve with WSU administrators?
  - A lot to do with administration. Start by meeting with administrators on a regular basis and making sure that they are aware of our issues and following up. Continue with tasks that began this year that need to be completed (i.e. stipend level data that has been worked on). Also, carry on the great relationships that have been created. The networking in the past has helped us as we move into our position.
- College Representative candidates - College of Arts and Sciences
  - Kristen Johnson: Vision for cultural shift of representative position. Just directors of committees, but the shift would be to be a facilitator role as the college as a whole. A&S largest college on campus.
  - Carsten Voelkner: Program committee for three years and so I feel like I have a lot of experience in this area. Could do more to reach out. GPSA excellence awards, could do more to emphasize and clarify that process.
  - Andrew Gillreath-Brown: Passionate about GPSA advocacy at the legislative level and want others to have the same experiences. Goal is to meet with A&S Dean and build a bridge with school and GPSA. Would like to be Director of Communications. Increase GPSA visibility to the university as whole.
  - Ernesto Martinez-Baez: Promoting students academic growth with scholarship and PDI workshops. Look at strategic planning document to evaluate and not start over each year,



increase awareness of GPSA community, increase financial support for grants and scholarships, more interactive PDI events, increase international community in GPSA.

- Q: Why college of arts and sciences would vote for you. You are not being selected for the director position yet. Also, what about the new provost?
  - Ernesto: I focused because that would probably spend most of my time doing that. Departments are separated and we don't know each other very well, so wanted to strengthen that.
  - Andrew: Building relationship with administrators. I have already started to connect with administrators.
  - Carsten: My job will be to coordinate with all the senators to connect them. Maybe get coordinators together as well, especially when we talk about the provost position.
  - Kristen: Develop a relationship with them (provost) right away. Also, have a real idea of how I would facilitate relationships with Senators. Monthly or bi-monthly with all the senators from the college. To get everyone in the same room and rotate around the campus.
- CAHNRS
  - Jennifer Johnson: PDI: put on 80 events last year. It has grown a lot and want to do it more. I would like to pass the torch over this next year. This is the biggest committee and is a large time commitment. Would like to try a new director position.
  - Q: If you could speak more about one or two more director positions? What would you pick?
    - A: Programming or strategic planning but really interested in community affairs. Also, grants and scholarships. Perhaps reaching out to deans?
  - Q: What is a weakness of the executive board this year?
    - A majority of your time is with your committee, rather than with your college. So focusing on your college peers as well is important that directors don't always get to speak with peers.
- College of Education



- Adnan Mohamed: Not many funds for participating in international conferences. Doing more work to help represent and support those groups.
- Rachel Wong: Increase level of student engagement in College of Education. Don't really like or show up to events. Some type of social events is good for well being. Attend at least one seminar in each program in college. Also, express the resources that GPSA has for people. As international student, struggles with healthcare and advising, so be a voice to advocate for those individuals.
- Q: What director positions would you like?
  - Rachel: University affairs: One groups that works with health insurance.
  - Adnan: Strategic planning: have experience with issues related to this committee.
- College of Engineering
  - Haley Mikeska: Getting information to engineering students and getting them out of the lab to get them to socialize. Take on something like PDI, so hopeful have some events that engineering students would be interested in.
- Graduate School
  - Yini Chen: Want to reach out to more people and connect and serve people with my skills. Have been able to use connections to bring and travel with graduate students. Community director would be ideal or the grants committee, programming committee.
- Unrepresented colleges/departments and Special Elections
  - College of Business
  - College of Communication
  - College of Veterinary Medicine
- 7:35 | Adjournment