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[Virtual Attendance Sheet HERE](#)

- 5:30 | **Call to Order**
 - Approval of Senate Meeting #4 Minutes
 - Approved
 - Approval of the Senate Meeting #5 Agenda
 - Approved
- 5:31 | **Announcements & Events**
 - Shirts have been ordered and are on the way!
 - PDI Events
 - [Writing Workshop Series: Project Management with Lorena English](#)
 - Oct. 28, 2019, 1pm-3pm
 - [Alumni Panel Discussion: A view of Work in Industry \(Session II\)](#)
 - Nov. 7th 2019, 12pm-2:30pm
 - [Writing Lock-in II: GWC consultants will be available](#)
 - Dec. 7th, 9am-1pm
 - **Programming Events**
 - Bowling Night Recap (served 200+ students)
 - Send any constructive feedback to gpsa.programming@wsu.edu
 - Friendsgiving @ Etsi Bravo
 - Wednesday, Nov. 14th, 7-9:00PM
 - [6 v 6 Volleyball Tourney!](#) - Saturday, Nov. 2nd, 11am-4pm at Smith Gym 117
 - Team Captains must register via CampusLabs (Max 10 players per team) - *Prize for 1st & 2nd team with the best team name*
 - Can sign up with less than 6
 - Register [HERE](#)
 - **Graduate and Professional Community Events (Where to look!)**
 - Please check [WSU Events](#) page for October & November events and our [GPSA Community Engagement Page](#)
 - [GPSA Facebook](#)
 - [GPSA Twitter](#)
 - [GPSA Instagram](#) and [Instagram stories!](#)
 - WSU Community Engagement will have a table on 10/31 from 5:30-6:30pm at Beasley Coliseum
 - Celebrate Make a Difference Day: Fall Festival potluck! Saturday, October 26th, 2019
 - [CCE Special Event for Graduate Students and Families](#)
 - 10:30am to 1:30pm
 - [CCE Transportation Provided](#)
 - 10:00am to 2:00pm



- GPAWS having Pumpkin Potluck party on Oct. 26th, 3pm-7pm in the Talmadge Anderson Heritage House, bring a dish to share!
- **“Donuts with the Dean”**
 - Do you have any questions, comments or concerns for the dean of the graduate school? Come grab a donut and chat with Dr. Lisa Gloss who is holding weekly office hours in the GPSA Graduate Student Lounge in Terrell Library. Check out [Donuts with the Dean Page](#) to find dates and times to meet with the Dean.

- **Reminder that our next Senate Meeting is in the SENIOR CUB Ballroom**

- **5:40 | Guest Speakers**
 - *WSU Transportation Director - **Anthony Shaheen**, also Chris Boyan, Aaron Gordon, Davi Rodriguez, Cody Wilson*
 - Please visit transportation.wsu.edu to get more information for discussion.
 - Yearly check-in to connect with GPSA and other student organizations
 - “Reduce demand for passenger vehicles and provide facilities for those that do drive”
 - Newly implemented licence plate recognition technology, no more physical permits, new app **“Way To Park”** is available to pay for parking in garages, and frisbees were distributed
 - Alex Howell is the representative on the Transit Advisory Group, student run to oversee how transportation funds are spent
 - Daniel Gallegos represents GPSA on the parking appeals committee
 - Question: How are parking fees determined? A: Set by the Parking Services taskforce, determined through a 10-yr financial forecast for maintenance costs for facilities
 - Question: Football related parking is occupying disability parking spaces (mentioned in [DailyEvergreen article](#)), how can Transportation assist with this? A: Daily Evergreen article caught them by surprise, the area mentioned is taken by ESPN for video production, disability spaces available in the parking garages, but there’s a need to publicize that these spaces exists
 - **Dr. Jill McCluskey** – Director of the School of Economic Sciences as well as a Regents Professor. She is the founder of Lauren McClusky Foundation and will speak about campus safety at WSU.
 - “Lauren’s Promise” is a voluntary syllabus addition aimed at supporting students that feel threatened by domestic violence or anything else on campus
 - Provides resources for those who may feel they are in danger
 - Professors at WSU have used this statement, and students have already come forward with requests for help



- The Lauren McClusky Foundation has the goal of promoting campus safety
 - Question: Where can we download this to add to the syllabus? A: It has been posted online, and could be posted for GPSA
 - Comment: School of Economic Sciences has adopted this statement
 - Questions: There is a working group trying to get a University-wide statement to be added to all syllabuses. A: Will connect about this.
 - Questions: With the recent “mistrial” on a case involving a WSU police officer, is there anything to suggest to remedy students’ feelings? A: Working with WSU police, particularly across departments to remedy this. Women are more likely to report when women are on the force, which is something to be worked on.
 - Question:/comment: many of us are in department based student organizations, senator recommends this being brought up with any Faculty Liaisons to make sure this is added to all syllabi
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- 6:00 | **Intermission:** Bathroom, Refills, Seconds

 - 6:10 | **Open Floor**
 - Chair of Community Affairs - Jenn Johnson
 - [Community engagement page](#) has been updated with many new involvement opportunities
 - Ex.: STEAM event currently posted to promote STEAM to kids
 - Chair of Scholarships - Yini Chen
 - [Dissertation Scholarship application](#) will open tonight! Look for GPSA Dissertation Grants, which will be promoted on social media
 - Grants for PhDs who have passed preliminary/qualifying exams, requires timeline, mini-proposal, and letter of recommendation
 - Email gpsa.scholarships@wsu.edu with any questions
 - **Open Discussion with your colleges:**
 - How is the campus safety climate at WSU? Do you feel safe on and around campus? What are some concerns that you have or have heard about from others? After discussion senators will then have time to voice their responses during Senate or email them to vpgpsa@wsu.edu.
 - Comments:
 - Contact Cougar Health Services if you feel like there is insufficient access to resources
 - Poor lighting in several regions on campus (Vet Med parking area), even on large roads like College Way
 - Lack of clearance on many roads and walkways when there is snow
 - Lighting is an issue on non-Pullman campuses, some lights are not on at certain times



- Harassment of Undergraduates during football games; firepits being brought too close to residence halls; need a channel to communicate these issues

- 6:30 - 7:00 | New Business
 - **Bylaws** - Internal Affairs Chair, Ana Vishnevskaya
 - Bylaw voting update
 - Nov. 1st deadline for feedback on bylaw voting update, parts as already seen as controversial will be discussed in the next senate meeting and then voted on at the last meeting of the semester
 - Send questions to Internal Affairs committee, who has time to meet on Fridays
 - A Senator from Anthropology resigned, seat is vacant and will be discussed in November
 - **Legislative Affairs**
 - Updates from VPLA Matthew Sutherland
 - Will now be two days for Coug Day at the Capitol, new Grad Day
 - Committee Days are coming up in the Capitol in November, and the VPLA will be attending
 - Student Governing Council meeting in Tri-cities to discuss legislative proposals
 - Question: Will there need to be increased budget allocation for new Grad Day? A: Discussing with UW, money is TBD

- **GPSA Updates from President, Ralph Chikhany**
 - **Graduate Writing Center Updates**
 - New 10 hour/week position started on October 16th (graduate student)
 - Pending budget reallocation approval, furniture + equipment for the new location
 - Dr. Lisa Gloss also understands this need and approved a GA position for Spring!
 - More consultation hours
 - More 1-1 appointments (for free, each grad student gets one a week)
 - Opening for this position will be announced in the next week
 - Better writing space!

- **WSA Updates**
 - Quick recap of meetings, including student groups from across the state
 - Graduate and Professional student common issues:
 - Visibility
 - Communication



- Childcare
- Student fees and tuition waivers not covering them
- Lack of oversight from state legislature for grad tuition
- Subsidized loans not available
- Non-regulated tuition
- Mental health resources
- Isolation
- Misinformation about the “average” grad students, who are grad students
- Power dynamics with mentors and fear of retribution
- Mentorship vs. advising
- Jurisdiction of grad student reps vs. responsibility of the university
- Satellite campus challenges and restrictions
- Little focus on non-traditional students and students of color

- Moving forward
 - Monthly call for WSA to plan Grad Day on the Hill
 - February 11th (tentatively)
 - Financed through UW and GPSA, WSA financing available
 - Modeled after SAGE
 - Phone calls for Presidents and then non student-government representatives
 - NAGPS vs. SAGE
 - Online workshop for undergraduate student leaders to differentiate from graduate needs

- WSA fees: separating from ASWSU Budget reallocation proposal
 - New income: \$8,500 bookie dividend
 - Unused funds (0.5 Student Involvement + Benefits)
 - Hiring will not be final until the end of November, if successful
 - This means a minimum of 5 months from those budget lines (in 0101) will not be used
 - Program Coordinator (0.5 Student Involvement) \$18,630
 - Employee Benefits \$8,943

- Unused amount of \$27573 (5/12th , about 42%) is about \$11500
- Total amount to be reallocated: \$20,000
 - Question: Is there a possibility S&A gets cut and this continued funding becomes a headache? A: Not expected to suffer cuts bad enough to make it an issue (\$3000 is only a small portion of the operating budget)

- Proposal
 - \$3000 to pay for WSA



- \$4000 to travel grants committee (working on a new research grant program)
 - \$3000 to budget committee (sponsorships)
 - \$10,000 for project with the Graduate Writing Center
 - \$4000 for graduate consultant (10 hrs/week, \$20 per hour)
 - \$6000 for new graduate writing center (equipment + furniture)
- Question: What are the direct benefits to graduate students from having this additional representation in WSA? A: Ability to promote graduate student specific issues outside of the range of ASWSU
- Question: Will there be a capacity for the new writing center to provide electronic access for students who cannot attend in person? A: Certain services will be available such as printing
- Question: Sounds great, but where will all this money be coming from? A: Additional unexpected funding from the Bookie will be used
- Question: What exactly is the increased sponsorships for RSOs going towards? A: Those RSO's unfunded from last years funding process
- Motion to vote, Discussion:
 - Some uncomfot with hiring a new person prior to budget approval
 - Q: What is currently funding the graduate writing center? A: A portion of the undergraduate writing center funding goes towards existing grad center, there will be no funding for new graduate center if this does not pass
 - Vote: Majority Aye's, **the Motion Passes**
- RSO Funding updates
- Off-Monday Meetings with me! Please email and make an appt.
- 7:30 | Adjournment