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- I. Call to Order**
 - A. Approve Minutes (2/26/18)
 1. Minutes Approved
- II. Guest Speakers**
 - A. None.
- III. Important Announcements**
 - A. GPSA/Graduate School Census Survey
 1. [Take Phase 1](#)
 - a) Completing the Phase 1 survey is a ticket to win a cool prize (chance to win one of around 10 prizes including Apple watch, Google home, Alexa, Fitbit, Beats Headset, bluetooth speakers and headset)
 - b) About 150 people have already participated
 - B. [Spring 2018 Travel Grants Are Now Open](#)
 1. Travel Period: January 6, 2018 - April 13, 2018
 2. January 9, 2018 - April 16, 2018
 - C. Fall 2018 Affiliate Funding
 1. [Semester Review Forms](#) available
 2. [Fall 2018 applications](#) available
 3. Need to submit both review form and application
 4. Both documents are due March 22nd
 - D. BCU Coupons in the GPSA Office
 1. 2000 bookmark coupons for poster printing
 - a) 5% discount
 - b) No limitation on the date
 - E. Women in STEM dinner UPDATE (VPLA)
 1. April 4th, 2018
 2. Email Josh with any questions
 - F. Prosper Act Compile stories that Josh will take to DC.
 1. Senators were given a form to fill out and were encouraged to write about their concerns and thoughts.
- IV. New Business**
 - A. GPSA Debates
 1. GPSA President (Amir Gilmore) and Vice President (David Silva) candidates - See Candidate Statements
 - a) (VPLA) What is your philosophy in working with people who have different roles you rely on in order to do your job? Those include the VPLA, coordinator, other office staff and senators.
 - (1) Silva mentioned that he is friendly with the “team of 3”, and even though they might not agree on everything, they know what the end goals are.



- (2) Gilmore mentioned that GPSA is “like a family”; we are all in this together. He enjoys the partnership with the coordinator and other executive members, and will make sure there is a welcoming environment especially in the office.
- b) (Senator) What specific strategy are you thinking about adding to make the community more involved?
 - (1) Gilmore mentioned that they will do a lot of work geared towards the students, including showing up at RSO events. He also mentioned the need to sit down and engage with the constituents at a different level, and to make senators feel more empowered in order to feel more connected.
 - (2) Silva: Discussion is really important, for instance, having the open floor have a listening environment. Senators at ground level and building to the Executive office. It should go from bottom to up, not top to bottom.
- c) (Senator) A huge part of your role is relationships, not only with people in this room, but also at administrative level. How will these connections and relationships be built and how will they benefit graduate students?
 - (1) Gilmore mentioned we have a good working relationship with the graduate school (through the PDI). We need to work on how the people in the community feel about the graduate school. We have good relationship with President Schultz. He has been and will be sitting on various committees that engages everyone on campus, the most important of which is collaboration with ASWSU.
 - (2) Silva mentioned the connection with the health and wellness services and CAPS. There are plenty of people who do overlapping services for students, and building relationships with those people is important in order to find efficient solutions to potential problems.
- d) (Senator) Suppose you both have strong competitors for your position. What quality would the competitors need to have to beat you guys?
 - (1) Silva will make sure to continuously build the connections he does not possess right now, due to the fact that he is in a smaller college. Those connections include networking with people in different departments and at the administrative level.
 - (2) Gilmore isn't sure about the answer. Humility is important for him, and some people like that and some don't.
- e) (Senator) How do you see getting the senate more connected together as well as with the senator board?



- (1) Gilmore plans to have private gatherings for the senate, for instance at a restaurant, to encourage senators to have more conversations with the executive members.
 - (2) Silva plans to use GPSA, PDI and RSO events as a way to connect everyone.
2. College Representative candidates - See Candidate Statements.
- a) CAHNRS: Jenisha Gerard - Not present
 - b) CAHNRS: Jennifer Johnson
 - (1) (Senator) What are your plans or intents to get more involved with graduate school?
 - (a) Johnson mentioned that she will try to continue what she had done as a senator, which is to engage with constituents. She will try and get involved in many aspects of PDI especially.
 - c) CAS: Andrew Gillreath-Brown
 - (1) (Senator) How will you work to represent CAS?
 - (a) Andrew will try and work with senators from every department in order to understand their different needs.
 - d) CAS: Tiffany Alvarez
 - (1) (Senator) The CAS is one of the more difficult colleges to represent due to the eclectic majors. How do you plan on unifying and represent the different departments?
 - (a) Anthropology is an interdisciplinary major, you get to work with many different people. This will be helpful in working with students and departments who have different interests.
 - (2) (Senator) People living in Yakama village pay the transit fee even though there are no bus stops there.
 - (a) We need to make everyone informed of the problem.
 - (b) Andrew was given the opportunity to answer the question: there are people working with the travel committee and it is important to talk to the person in charge and communicate with them about the problems.
 - e) Communication: Miles Sari
 - (1) (Senator) In which committee would you like to serve in GPSA?
 - (a) University Affairs - working on ensuring quality and work on the health services. Another position Sari would be interested in is the travel grants committee. He would like to improve communications with the people applying and make the expectations clear.



- f) Education: Carolina Silva
 - (1) (Senator) What's your plan to reach all constituents in all 11 programs of the Education department?
 - (a) Silva plans to visit faculty members and make communication with students more personal. She is also interested in the communications director position, with hopes of creating a new sort of social media campaign.
 - (2) (Senator) What university committee would you chair?
 - (a) Relationship building is very important. Either Community or Internal Affairs, however he doesn't have any strict preference.
- g) VCEA: Hongda Ren
 - (1) (Senator) What committee would you be interested in?
 - (a) University Affairs and Strategic planning.
- 3. Graduate School Census Survey (Director of University Affairs)
 - a) Pullman fee paying students are eligible for the prizes, even if they are stationed outside of Pullman.
- 4. (Senator) What happens if there are senator or college representative positions that have not been filled?
 - a) We will have special elections for those.

V. Adjournment

A. Meeting adjourned at 6:44 PM.



Appendix:

GPSA Executive Board Reports

February 24, 2018 - March 2, 2018

President — Shane R. Reynolds

- 2/26
 - Worked on Budget reconciliations before S&A
 - Met with President Schulz
 - Discussed child care reimbursements for R&E students
 - Discussed meeting with new AD Pat Chun about the sexual assault policy letter instead of bringing it to the Athletics Council.
 - Discussed the Prosper Act
 - Discussed the possibility of a TedX partnership since we won't be working on it this year.
 - Attended Senate
- 2/27
 - Worked on edits to the new set of Bylaws that will be introduced in the future.
 - Collaborated with the Grad school regarding sending communications to students regarding elections.
 - Appointed Senator Gillreath-Brown to a seat on the Historic Preservation Committee.
 - Attended MSS banquet fundraiser for the MSS students which GPSA sponsored.
- 2/28
 - Worked extensively on Budget reconciliations.
 - Worked on Census Survey messaging for Monday Minute
- 3/1
 - Executive Board Meeting
 - Went over Bylaw updates to get group discussion on edits.
- 3/2
 - Assisted with ballot preparation to send to SESRC.

Vice President — Amir Gilmore

- 2/26
 - Breakfast Meeting with AVP Candidate #3
 - Led Student Leader Forum for AVP Candidate #3
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 - Attended and facilitated GPSA Senate meeting
- 2/27
 - Led All Student Forum for [AVP Candidate #3](#)
- 2/28



- Breakfast Meeting with AVP Candidate #4
- Led Student Leader Forum for [AVP Candidate #4](#)
- Attended and Facilitated Cultural Competency & Ally Training Meeting
 - Develop a WSU definition of “Cultural Competency”
 - We have to figure out the needs of the students, faculty and staff
 - Do UCORE diversity classes need to be reevaluated?
 - Possibility of 1-credit diversity class
 - Who will teach the class?
 - Next meeting probably after Spring Break
- 3/1
 - Attended Exec Board meeting
 - Met with Heather and Brenda Boyd from the Children’s Center
 - They are thankful for the increase (\$15,000)
 - Discussed parenting classes for grad-prof families
 - Attended ASWSU Multicultural Debate Night
 - Showed up for support and solidarity
 - Addressing diversity/equity will continued to be foregrounded

VPLA — Josh Munroe

No Report. Please see Vice President.

Director of Professional Development - Jenn Johnson

- 2/26
 - Sent emails to committee members about upcoming events and tasks
 - Attended GPSA senate to hear and discuss important issues, updates, etc.
 - Completed University Committee report
- 2/27
 - Set-up, led, and cleaned-up PDI event: Parts of a Paper Series: Discussion and Conclusion
 - Updated GPSA budget and paperwork
- 2/28
 - Attended Women in STEM meeting about upcoming event
 - Updated GPSA budget and paperwork
- 3/1
 - Attended GPSA board of directors meeting to discuss important issues and give PDI updates
 - Attended PDI executive board meeting to discuss next steps and transition for PDI
 - Met with WiSTEM committee members to work on gathering video vignettes for upcoming WiSTEM week in April
 - Met with other GPSA members going to DC for NAGPS LAD to discuss schedule, to-dos, etc.

Director of Strategic Planning & Scholarship – Jing Sun

- 2/23-3/1
 - GPSA research exposition Judge selection
- 2/27
 - Emailed judges who applied before 2/15 and ask for confirmation
- 2/26-2/28



- Email GPSA Research Exposition to confirm information and special presentation needs
- 3/28
 - Attended UREC board meeting
- 3/2
 - Send confirmations to all selected judges

Director of Communications – Candace Chappelle

- 02/24
 - Generated content to post on Facebook and Twitter
 - Revised Draft of GPSA SWAG order
 - Worked with Kristen Maki regarding the 03/05 MM
- 02/25
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- 02/26
 - Attended Senate Meeting#11
 - Monitored Zoom members at Senate Meeting#11
 - Posted media content on Facebook and Twitter
 - Revised GPSA SWAG order
 - Sent emails to committee members regarding upcoming events, tasks, and duties
 - Worked with Kristen Maki and Jessica Schloss regarding the 03/05 MM
- 02/27
 - Posted media content on Facebook and Twitter
 - Worked with 4imprint on GPSA SWAG order
 - Worked with Kristen Maki and Jessica Schloss regarding the 03/05 MM
- 02/28
 - Posted media content on Facebook and Twitter
 - Worked with 4imprint on GPSA SWAG order
 - Worked with Kristen Maki, Jessica Schloss, and Erin Carroll regarding the 03/05 MM
- 03/01
 - Posted media content on Facebook and Twitter
 - Worked with 4imprint on GPSA SWAG order
 - Worked with Kristen Maki, Jessica Schloss, and Erin Carroll regarding the 03/05 MM
 - Attended Executive Board Meeting
 - Attended Meeting to Prepare for LAD in DC (03/07-03/12)
- 03/02
 - Posted media content on Facebook and Twitter
 - Worked with 4imprint on GPSA SWAG order
 - Worked with Kristen Maki, Jessica Schloss, and Erin Carroll regarding the 03/05 MM

Director of Programming – Brittany Wood



No report. Please see Director.

Director of University Affairs – David Silva

No report. Please see Director.

Director of Grants – Motahare Athariboroujny

No report. Please see Director.

Director of internal affairs -Sanaz Jarolmasjed

- 2/26
 - Coordinated with SESRC for the election, ballot information, referendum, and email for online vote
 - Reviewed the Bylaws changes
- 2/27
 - Attended Multicultural Services Banquet
 - Attended Graduate Studies committee meeting
- 2/28
 - Reviewed the Grad Census Survey and provided feedback
- 3/1
 - Reviewed the General Election applications and the required documents
 - Attended executive board meeting
- 3/2
 - Worked with Devinae to send out ballot information

Director of Community Affairs - Tiffany Alvarez (2.24 - 3.2)

- 2.24
 - RE Community Kitchen event: updated google drive venue vetting sheet for the three locations currently in consideration (Floyd Multicultural Center / Asian American Heritage House / Pullman Community Action Center)
 - RE Community Outreach: contacted YMCA of the Palouse diirector of Community Outreach to learn about sponsorship opportunities (scheduled to meet 3.9)
- 2.26
 - Attended GPSA Senate meeting (2 hrs)
- 2.28
 - Attended Pullman 2040 Committee Meeting - Currently assisting Francis (committee chair) with volunteer placement, this requires contacting 14 people.
- 3.1
 - Attended GPSA Exec Board meeting
 - Continued bylaw revision
- 3.2
 - Booked Community Affairs Committee meeting Room, set committee agenda, sent follow up emails to committee members