UD Graduate Student Government
February 2020 Public Meeting Minutes
February 4th, 2020 | Memorial Hall Room 127 | 7:00pm

I. Call to Order & Welcome

II. Committee Reports

A. Internal Affairs Committees

1. Communications
   a) Continuing to update website and social media

2. Events
   a) Forum website is up
      (1) Theme is Professional Development
      (2) April 13th-17th
      (3) Workshops will be held for several days culminating in day of the forum
      (4) Call for abstracts has been released

3. Operations
   a) Approved two new base budget requests and one supplementary event budget
   b) Rock the Vote 2020 will be held in April or May, registering people to vote, speakers, etc.
   c) Working on formalizing how much money is given to organizations
   d) $42,000 left to distribute for the year

4. Social
   a) Planning to have 2 happy hour style events each month
      (1) March 2nd
   b) Planning Theater night again this semester
   c) Planning Visit to Longwood Gardens

B. Student Affairs Committees

1. Diversity
   a) Pursuing an idea to coordinate with admin to have a LGBTQ+ training plus social event
   b) Working on grad student help me pdf guide
      (1) Compiled list of resources available to students addressing diversity concerns and looking for submissions for other kinds of concerns
2. Student Life
   a) Working on a pamphlet for grad students who are expecting parents
   b) Investigating increasing maternity leave from 6 weeks to 12 weeks
   c) First conflict training from the grad college was held this week

3. Sustainability
   a) Drafting new resolutions
   b) Working with underg

4. Mental Health
   a) Piloting a couple EmPOWER programs

5. Community Engagement

C. Senate Committees
   Vice President Abraham
   1. Governance
      a) Working on revising bylaws
   2. Elections
      a) Preparing annual legislation to open elections for next year
      b) Other preparations for those elections

D. External Committees
   President Sunder
   1. Grad College Dean Updates
      a) Mike Bush has been serving on the committee searching for a dean for the graduate college
      b) Doug Doren is only serving as interim dean
      c) Down to 4 candidates who will be doing public campus visits
      d) Please attend the open forums
         (1) Forums will be held on 2/17, 2/18, 2/20, 2/21
         (2) All forums will be held from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm
   2. Grad College Updates
      a) All GSG members have an open invitation to Grad College meetings on 2/24
         (1) Meeting will be held 2 to 3:30 in the Ewing Room at Perkins Student Center
      b) Student Life Committee Meeting will be held on 3/2
         (1) Now soliciting feedback, email at: ichremos@udel.edu

III. Organization Delegates Reports
     President Sunder

IV. Open Floor
    President Sunder
    A. Approval of December Minutes
       1. No discussion
B. SR-1920-04 “A Resolution Approving the Creation of a Standing Graduate Council Liaison Committee”
   1. No discussion

C. SR-1920-05 “A Resolution Instating Elections Rules for 2020”
   1. GSG will be sponsoring a supply drive with the department of health and human services
   2. We need volunteers to place boxes in their offices/around campus
   3. Plan is to have boxes out until April

D. A Motion to Vote on Constitution Amendments and Bylaw Amendments on 11 March 2020
   1. This vote will be to approve the creation of amendments and recognition that senators will have to read through the documents before the next meeting
   2. Examples of changes:
      a) Gender neutral pronouns
      b) Committee Expectations
      c) Inactive Senators and Exec Stipulations
      d) Grad Council rules/expectations
      e) Language about resolution pipeline

V. Senate Floor Parlamentarian Bingaman
   A. Old Business
      1. Approval of December Minutes
         a) Approved
   
   B. New Business Parlamentarian Bingaman
      1. A Motion to Vote on Constitutional Bylaw Amendments on 11 March 2020
         a) Passed 20-0-0
      2. SR-1920-04 “A Resolution Approving the Creation of a Standing Graduate Council Liaison Committee”
         a) Passed unanimously 17-0-0

VI. Announcements President Sunder
   A. Next Month’s Meeting will be held March 11th, 2020 at 7:00pm
   B. Senator elections will be held online in March
   C. Exec Committee Elections will be held via a special meeting March 25th
      1. At this meeting candidates will give a short stump speech
      2. Voting will open at this meeting and will run for a week
   D. Exec Committee Interest Meeting will be held on March 4th at 7:00pm
E. Planning a UD Grad Student Health Insurance Town Hall
   1. Feedback will be considered while renegotiating Aetna Contract
F. Grad Student Forum will be held 4/17/20 see details above
   1. Disseminate widely!
   2. We are looking for volunteers to help run this event
G. Gala will be held May 8th on STAR Campus
   1. Still in talks but we are hoping to get gala ticket discounts for forum volunteers

VII. Adjournment