1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

1.1.1. To effectively advocate and program to ensure that The Ohio State University graduate student experience is the best it can be.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1. Minutes from October 27, 2017

2.1.1. Slechta.3 motioned to approve the minutes.

2.1.2. Gumper.1 seconded the approval of the minutes.

2.1.3. The delegate body approved the meeting minutes.

3. GUEST SPEAKER

3.1. General Education Curriculum Proposal Board Members discussed the proposal and took questions.

3.2. President Michael Drake spoke and took questions.

4. OFFICER UPDATES

4.1. Treasurer

4.1.1. Ray Travel Awards were awarded

4.1.2. There will be a budget amendment coming in the January meeting, so please review the budget prior to that meeting.

4.2. Secretary

4.2.1. CDG will be awarded this evening!

4.3. Chief of Staff

4.3.1. Requested all external committee members submit their reports.

4.4. Vice President

4.4.1. Hayes Forum – 346 applications

4.4.2. Still recruiting judges, specifically in math and physical science so please nominate anyone you know in that area!

4.4.3. There will be a professional development opportunity for “mentoring” and they are looking for panelists from diverse academic backgrounds and social identities. Please email any recommendations to Waltterbusch.1

4.4.4. Apportionments were sent out a few weeks ago, please review the numbers to ensure that your department has the correct number and email Waltterbusch.1 with any concerns.

4.4.5. Reminder: please bring your nametags back with you EVERY meeting so we do not continuously print nametags.
4.4.6. Requested everyone submit external committee reports and attend your meetings.

4.5. President
4.5.1. Thanked the graduate students that have been advocating on behalf of all graduate students against the tax bill.
4.5.2. Update on the graduate dean search: there are 3 internal candidates that are meeting with various stakeholders.
4.5.3. Encouraged delegates and graduate students that are interested to apply for the Graduate/Profession Student Board of Trustees position. Link to apply is in the report published in the delegate’s packet.
4.5.4. Update on the Indigenous People Day Resolution: The undergraduate student council and the Interprofessional council all passed similar resolutions and all 3 will be submitting this to the University Senate for consideration.

5. Committee Chair Announcements
5.1. SERC:
5.1.1. 12/5 at 6pm is a kick off planning meeting for the Omega Planning initiative regarding a sustainable farming initiative where graduate students across the country would participate in developing this further.
5.1.2. 12/7 at 2pm French Field House parking lot to pick up trash surrounding the Olentangy River.
5.2. Arts and Culture:
5.2.1. Please send any suggestions or recommendations regarding the events that are offered in the lotteries to Mueller.377.

6. OLD BUSINESS
6.1. None

7. NEW BUSINESS
7.1. RESOLUTION 1718-AU-04: An Act Condemning the Tax Cut and Jobs Act
7.1.1. Loria.3 moved to amend the resolution by striking the from line 77
        • Gumper.1 Seconded.
        • Loria.3 requested permission to withdraw this amendment.
7.1.2. A motion was moved to amend the resolution by striking “the” and adding “that” in line 77.
        • The motion was seconded.
7.1.3. Freudenberg.2 moved to add a clause between lines 72 and 73 and insert the following: “let it be further resolved that CGS calls upon the administration to explicitly include graduate student representatives in any discussion of how graduate students will be funded should the “tuition waiver provision” go into effect.
        • Gemelli.1 seconded this amendment.
        • Pierce.508 moved to amend the amendment by taking the “tuition waiver provision” be changed to “tax code 1204-117(D5)”. 
        • Freudenberg. 2 seconded the motion.
        • Amendment to the motion approved.
        • Faia.7 made a motion to amend the amendment by adding “Ohio State” prior to administration in this motion.
        • Freudenberg. 2 seconded the motion.
        • Motion approved.
        • Amendment approved.
7.1.4. Gumper.1 Motioned to amend the resolution at line 57 after agencies, before the semicolon adding the text “and/or remove student loan interest deductions”.
   • Lopez Gemelli.1 motioned to approve this amendment.
   • Freudenberg.2 seconded the amendment.
   • Motion approved.
7.1.5. Resolution 1718-AU-04 was approved.

8. DELEGATE CONCERNS
8.1. The concern was raised regarding gradforms.osu.edu technical issues.
8.2. Vitae.osu.edu is going down next week, just so everyone is aware!
8.3. The concern was raised about how flights need to be booked through the University and that has raised the costs of flights for graduate student travel.
   8.3.1. Hodak.2 raised the concern that anyone booking flights through the University should be reimbursed for the entirety of the flight if they are paying for their own flights they can book any flight. Also, those of you traveling for Ray Travel Award will not be required to book flights through the University if the Ray Travel Award is your only funding. It was designed to save money overall and is in the pilot stages currently.
8.4. A concern was raised regarding delayed reimbursement for certain programs, specifically the School of Music and the School of Arts and Sciences.
   8.4.1. Wesaw.1 offered to reach out to the dean.
   8.4.2. Hodak.2 stated that this is a University wide concern and the University has policies that they will reimburse you within 90 days, so anything more than that would be a violation of their policy.
   8.4.3. Wesaw.1 asked anyone experiencing this complication to email Wesaw.1 so he can take this concern to the administration.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS
9.1. January 12, 2018 – 1st Spring Semester Delegate Meeting @ 3:30 PM Ohio Union

10. Meeting adjourned at 5:34pm