

Graduate and Professional Student Association
Student Union Building # 1021
MSC 03-2210
Albuquerque, NM 87131

DATE: December 15, 2015
TO: Nasha Torrez, Associate University Counsel
FROM: Hilary Wainwright, GPSA Council Chair
RE: GPSA Constitution or Bylaw Revision
cc: Debbie Morris, Director, Student Activities Center

12/16/15
NT-DRAFT

Constitution: **or** *Bylaws:* **X**

Bill No: **FA 2015-002** *Code:* **Executive Code**

Article: **IV** *Section:* **4** *Item:* **D**

Rationale for the above referenced bill:

Broadening the type of payment a Chair of an Executive Student Committee can receive; not just limiting it to a stipend.

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In accordance with UNM Regents Policy Manual Section 4.1, I have reviewed the above- mentioned legislation and I offer the following comments.

1. The above- mentioned legislation is proper as to form and is consistent with applicable law and regulations. Accordingly, the University Counsel Office approves this amendment to the GPSA Constitution/Bylaws.
2. The above mentioned legislation cannot be approved be the University Counsel Office in its current form for the following reasons:
3. The above- mentioned legislation is proper as to form and is consistent with applicable law and regulations. Accordingly, the University Counsel Office approves this amendment to the GPSA Constitution/Bylaws. I do, however, have concerns about the following issue(s) and bring them to your attention for consideration before including this legislation in the GPSA Constitution/Bylaws.

Nasha Torrez, Assistant University Counsel

⊗ By the way: I would prefer that you use the word "stipend" over the word, "compensation." B/c compensation has a heavier employment connotation & may cause more ambiguity in the relationship.



LEGISLATIVE STEERING COMMITTEE

BILL #__ FA_2015-002 _____

FALL 2015 SESSION

CONSTITUTION

BYLAW

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Introduced by: LSC

Legislative Steering Committee Readings: 1

LSC Action: Amend Article IV.Sec.4 D, line item 592: changing the word "stipends" to "compensations" and deleting the empty line.

As written in Bylaws:

D. Executive Standing Committee Chair ~~Stipends~~ Compensations

1. Disbursement of compensation shall be subject to the fulfillment of the Chair's obligations and duties as verified by the President.

2. Disbursement shall be at the end of each semester in which the Chair served.

Bylaw Page Number: 15

Council Reading: 1

Council Action: passed

EXECUTIVE ACTION

APPROVED


GPSA President

12-14-15

Date

UNSIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT ON THIS _____ DAY OF _____ 2015. BILL AUTOMATICALLY BECOMES LAW.

Please attach bylaw or constitutional changes behind this document.

if you are changing this term to be uniform to "compensation" used in D(1), then I recommend you change the term through the entire Bylaws. "Stipend" is used 11 times right now in the entire doc.

it might be a good idea to cross-reference here, the exact § where these obligations & duties are defined.

this might be a good place to cross-reference the § where compensation amt. for the Chair is defined. I had a hard time finding it.

These changes/additions would mk. the Bylaws more user friendly.