



**GPSA Council Meeting Agenda**  
Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016, 10:00 am  
Zimmerman Library, Willow Room

Meeting called to order at 10:15

- I. Roll Call
- II. Opening Business
  - a. Approval of the Agenda  
*Lily moved to approve agenda*  
*Abhinav Aggarwal seconds motion*  
*Motion passed*
  - b. Approval of the Minutes  
Clarification on minutes: all PB funds do not revert to GPSA, we wanted to check in how the reversion is affecting students.  
*Cameron moved to approve minutes*  
*Abigail Seconds motion*  
*Motion Passed*
  - c. Media & Gallery  
Rosy Chaves: Art department  
Neosha Romer: Latin American Studies and Law  
Taylor smith: Law
- III. Guest Speakers
  - a. Karl Benedict, PhD, Associate Professor and Director of Research Data Services
    - Former Council Chair of GPSA
    - Graduate student at anthropology
    - What the library can provide for support on our work here
    - Master & PHD at UNM, became staff member, moved into library 5 years ago. 2 years ago became a FT associate professor at the library.
      - Highlight: importance/value of subject librarians (encourage to take advantage of them.)
      - Presentation
    - Subject specialist librarians: support for the work of graduate students', including consultation of students' research.
      - Research consultant
      - Data Management
      - Customized Library Assignments & Instruction for your Classes
      - Instruction for your classes
      - Purchase Requests
      - [Lib.unm.edu/librarians](http://lib.unm.edu/librarians)



- Contact info of librarian assigned to department
- Research and Scholarship
  - Digital Initiatives & Scholarly communication
    - Author rights, open access, digitization
  - Electronic Publishing Platform
  - Interlibrary loan
  - Document delivery service (Library Express)
  - Scholarly Output preservation (Lobo Vault)
  - Computers, scanning, and printing
  - Specialized software
  - Group study rooms
  - Libraries and Special Collections
    - Science and Engineering
    - Fine arts & Design
    - Parish Memorial
    - Zimmerman
    - Center for SW Research
    - Map and Geographic Information Center
  - Contact us:
    - [Library.unm.edu](http://Library.unm.edu)

#### IV. Officer Reports

##### a. President's Report: Glenda Lewis

##### i. Student Fee Review Board

1. Mark = voting member
  2. Glenda = co-chair
  3. Met with the chief financial officer (Andrew Collin) and he could guide the students into making the right decisions.
  4. Recommendations sent to budget leadership team
  5. Council will be informed as soon as we get back
- Student Regent position: 8 great nominees. Representation cross all colleges. Monday will be delivering candidate information to the office of the president and their decision will be given to the governor.
  - UNM & DOJ agreement: GPSA will help her office come up with a plan so all GPSA students can go through the in-person training by December 2017. GPSA open to suggestion from Council and from students.
  - Campus Climate Survey: Gather data for UNM. Take surveys



- Michelle Lujan Grisham: was on Campus on Tuesday 10/25/2016 for the “Hear our Voices” event in the atrium.
- Search for new director of Women’s Research Center: the next person will be someone who will represent the diverse needs of students and community members at UNM
- Game Night Held
- Secretly Life of Pets Event: Thursday 11/3/2016
- Conference Grants: allowing time in atrium for students to present their research here (in November and December)

b. Council Chair’s Report

- i. Thank everyone who dressed up for the Council meeting in the spirit of Halloween. Thank for flexibility for change of location and doing Council at Zimmerman Libraries Willard Room.
- ii. Number of student enrollment: everybody in a department is welcome to attend meetings. Make sure that there are a number of voting representatives per the bylaws.
  1. For every 100 students, the department has 1 voting member
  2. PhD students not included in Engineering Department
  3. Other ways to get involved with GPSA: Speak with Glenda &/or Zoila
  4. Consistency with meeting attendance: have the same members come and turn in a proxy sheet for those who are only in attendance for one meeting
  5. Credential forms: need to be signed by the President of the GSA (the departmentally recognized GSA group)
  6. Sheets: extra parliamentary procedures
  7. Extra burritos & yogurt: help yourselves
  8. YouTube Video on Parliamentary Procedures: get a prize if you saw it! Remember that this is a way to make sure more students speak up at GPSA meetings.

V. Committee Reports

a. Standing Committees

i. Grants Committee Report

1. Grants Update: Deadline was extended a day because of website issues. The applications are assigned to the readers and most of them are already done. There is a delay because of mid-terms. The numbers will be ready for the next Council meeting.
  - a. Non-English native speakers & STEM applicants: was there any training done for the readers this time around?



- b. No complaints from the applicants (i.e. no emails received on this). If there are any, the readers will not be selected for next time.
  - c. Excel sheet: will be given to the next grants chair
  - d. Requirements for the complaint: subjective comments by readers are not accepted.
  - e. Are the new training materials on the website? Yes.
  - f. If an application is from humanities, the reader will be from Humanities, 1 reader will be random, 1 reader will be from another department.
  - g. Spanish speakers: take a survey and ask whether it is really important to introduce the Spanish applications. Need help of the team.
  - h. Who has not received funding? Is there a correlation b/n rejected applications and international students.
  - i. Composition grade: 15% of score
  - j. Are there steps being taken to change the score composition? Or is this a process of maintaining and refining the process? There is no plan yet.
  - k. Zoila's proposal: if the group is interested in a working committee, please raise your hands to begin: Abby, Sally, Abhinav, Kelly, Cameron, Charlie, Jaime, and Rijaso.
- ii. Finance Committee Report

GPSA needs more money to fund activities for the year so the association submitted appropriations. Consider 7B-7H: food and refreshments and stipends for committee chairs.

Chair stipends: \$800 per year for their service. We did not budget for this this year. GPSA asked finance committee for funding up to \$800.

Questions:

- Budget process: does not understand or know about the reserves
- Are these going to be budgeted in the future? Need to work with SGAO so there is a better understanding of how much money GPSA has.
- **All budgets for GPSA moving forward are approved by council in the Spring. We need to continue this discussion in the spring.**



1. FA\_2016-007A: GPSA
  - a. Funds the general operation of GPSA
2. FA\_2016-007B: GPSA Council
  - a. Zoila: requested Council decline the council appropriation.
3. FA\_2016-007C: GPSA Elections Committee
4. FA\_2016-007D: GPSA Finance Committee
5. FA\_2016-007E: GPSA Grants Committee
6. FA\_2016-007F: GPSA Lobby Committee
7. FA\_2016-007G: GPSA Programs Committee
8. FA\_2016-007H: GPSA Support & Advocacy Committee
9. FA\_2016-007I: GPSA Court Review

*Rusty Chapman moves to block A through I with the Exception of B and approve.*

*Abbigail Robertson seconds the motion.*

*None opposed.*

*None abstained.*

*Motion passed.*

*Motion to amend GPSA Council recommendation 7B from \$200 to \$0*

*Rutsy moves*

*Courtney seconds motion*

*None opposed*

*None abstained*

*Move to vote In favor of approving GPSA council 7B for \$0.*

*None opposed*

*None abstained.*

*Motion passed.*

10. FA\_2016-008: Indian Students Association
  - a. Cultural event for food and advertising, rent auditorium, copying services, professional services, and educational supplies. Auditorium = \$500 (important because they need the audio-visual equipment. Can we pay for rentals? Yes, we can.
  - b. Professional services of \$350 (this is no longer available. But we have the honorarium for \$250.  
*Motion to vote on FAA*



*Courtney moved*  
*Kristin seconds*  
*None abstained*  
*None opposed*  
*Motion passed.*

11. FA\_2016-009: Student Action Network  
Did not show up so it is tabled for November 7<sup>th</sup>.

12. FA\_2016-010: sports Administration Student Association  
Did not show up so it is tabled for November 7<sup>th</sup>.

13. FA\_2016-011: Earthquake Engineering Research Institute (EERI)  
UNM Student Chapter  
*Motion to approve*  
*Cameron moved*  
*Andre Nascimento second*  
*None abstained*  
*None opposed.*  
*Motion passed.*

Revenue vs. Reserve: Executive & Legislative must meet.

*Motion to table appropriations 9 & 10.*  
*Travis moved*  
*Abby second*  
*None abstained*  
*None opposed*  
*Motion passed*

iii. Legislative Steering Committee Report

1. New Meeting Times: Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m.

a. November 8, 2016

b. December 1, 2016

Need one more person to be part of committee because  
Cameron cannot continue to be part of the committee.

*Move to make Sally Barker new rep*

*None opposed*

*Motion passed*

2. Bylaws Revisions



- a. See pg. 23 (lines 943-945)—changed language to clarify Article V. Joint Standing Committees, Section 1, (1)(a)(i)—Selection to be consistent and added “hereinafter legislative appointees.”
- b. See Pg. 24, (lines 976-977)—changed language to clarify Article V. Joint Standing Committees, Section 1(4)(c)—payment to make it more explicit and say “as processed by SGAO.”
- c. See pg.25-26 (lines 1032-1065)—changed language to the flow of the section. Moved Article VI, Section 4—Responsibilities (E-I), and (K) to the Article, VI Section 3-Code of Conduct section after item D.

*Motion to block the amendments to the bylaws*

*Rusty moves*

*Cameron Second*

*None opposed*

*None abstained*

*Motion passed*

### 3. RA Proposed Bill

Voted and approved—Motion to speak to author of proposed bill and suggest they draft a resolution of a bill and suggest they draft a resolution instead of a bill.

Author of RA Bill: Brian Mackie-Mason

- Address delays in RA research process
- This could be done under student support and advocacy

Lively discussion: Legislation v. Resolution

Friendly amendment to add “Ad hoc” for ad hoc committee

*Motion to vote*

*Rusty moves to vote on passing bill*

*Sunnie Sartin seconds*

RA Bill did not pass.

### b. Ad Hoc Committees: None.

## VI. Action Items

### a. Mandated Items

#### i. Judicial Branch

#### 1. Associate justices

- a. Approval of Neosha Roemer—MA Latin American Studies/Law School Program
  - 4<sup>th</sup> year grad student



- Previous qualifications:
  - Grants and awards committee for LA studies
  - Externed with NM Supreme Court
  - Courses in Appellate Decision-Making

- b. Approval of Valeria Garcia-- MA Latin American Studies/Law School Program

Question: is there diversity among the associate justices?

The positions were filled based on need and interest.

Friendly statement: appoint a justice

*Motion to block and approve the nominees*

*Cameron moves*

*Lisa seconds*

*Abigail abstains*

*None opposed*

*Motion passes*

- 2. Approval of Lobby Chair—David Medrano

We approved Texanna Martin in a previous meeting. She resigned due to other commitments. David Medrano stepped up to fill this position.

A lot of experience in working with GPSA and the lobby committee. Ready to hit the ground running for this next legislative session.

*Motion to approve*

*Lily moves*

*Austin Seconds*

*None oppose*

*None abstain*

*Motion passes*

- ii. Emergency items: None.
- iii. Unfinished business: None.
- iv. New Business

- 1. Finance Committee Working group: Abigail, Courtney, Sally, and Mark

## VII. Council Announcements

Courtney: Chemical & Biological Engineering has a research day in February. For those interested in participating in the symposium, contact her. Undergraduates are invited to the event, but presentation are graduate students and alumni.

Mark: graduate students common is available to graduate students. Zimmerman has expressed interest in developing other uses for the space: critical conversation





series. Identify any faculty in our departments that can speak to niche issues that curriculum has not been built around.

Abhinav: Conference to give presentations. Keynote speaker speech sciences researcher (latest advancements in speech recognition). Invite graduate students. Official invite will be sent to.

Chapman: music show tomorrow 10/30/16. On Monday, there are performances in the art building at 3:00 pm.

STEM Collaborative Center: if there are conferences for undergraduates to attend, let Cameron know.

Abby: VP of Medieval Studies Student Association: November 7<sup>th</sup> 11-4: talks about students' dissertations.

VIII. Upcoming Meetings

a. November 19, 2016 at 10 am in SUB 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor (Lobo A & B)

b. December 3, 2016 at 10 am in SUB 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor (Lobo A & B)

No meetings cancelled this semester.

IX. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.