



GPSA Legislative Steering Committee Meeting Agenda
Thursday, September 8, 2016, 11:00am
Student Union Building, GPSA Office - Conference Room

- I. Introductions. Meeting called into session at 11:05 am.
 - a. Lily - 2nd year law student and in GPSA. Always involved. C&J undergrad @ UNM. ASUNM Senator.
 - b. Abhinav - Bachelor's and Masters in India. Computer Science student.
 - c. Jake - Geography student. Undergrad University of Pittsburg.
 - d. Abby - English student. Media and Outreach Committee Chair for GPSA last year. Medieval studies. Masters from Bowling Green.
 - e. Zoila - Former COE GPSA President. Undergrad UNM. Master's UNM. Sat on Council for a year. 2nd year law student.
 - f. Cameron - was not in attendance. He was ill.
- II. Discussion Items
 - a. Overview of pending items passed on from last year's 2015-2016 Council:
 - i. Revision of funding elements such as the scholarship component.
 - ii. Zoila explained that scholarship money comes from SFRB and is not currently controlled/spelled out by the bylaws. Would be a good idea if we set guidelines since this is a recurring fund.
 - b. Discussed and set goals for semester:
 - i. Abbey and Abhinav suggest a comprehensive revision of the bylaws, specifically the sections controlling grants.
 - ii. Abbey suggests that there needs to be more specificity in the bylaws regarding the process.
 - iii. Abhinav suggests there needs to be specific guidelines for the grant readers.
 - iv. Committee members suggested we create a specific process for the summer grant/funding process.
 - c. Discussed Revision and Proofread of Bylaws for gaps:
 - i. Division of bylaws in order to comprehensively evaluate and identify issues:
 1. Bylaw Sections 1 and 2, Zoila; Section 3, Cameron; Section 4, Lily; Sections 5 and 6, Abhinav; Sections 7 and 8, Jake; Section 9, Abbey; Section 10, Cameron.
 2. Grants will need a serious revision. LSC Committee will work in collaboration with Grants chair to make necessary Bylaw revisions to Grants code around summer funding and appeals process.
 - d. Discussed and set meeting times for the remainder of the semester:



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 - iii. Thursday, December 1 at 11 am.
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- III. Action Items
 - a. Mandated Items adopt the LSC Standing Rules.
 - i. Vote to adopt. LSC Standing Rules were adopted.
 - b. Revise bylaws and report back any issues:
 - i. Bylaw Sections 1 and 2, Zoila; Section 3, Cameron; Section 4, Lily; Sections 5 and 6, Abhinav; Sections 7 and 8, Jake; Section 9, Abbey; Section 10, Cameron.
 - ii. Look out for Acronyms that are not spelled out in the Definitions section of the GPSA Bylaws.
 - c. Book GPSA Conference Room for set upcoming meeting dates and times for the remainder of the semester:
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- IV. Closing Announcements
- V. Upcoming Meetings: October 6 at 11 am, November 10 at 11 am, and December 1 at 11 am.
- VI. Adjourned at 11:50 am.