



GPSA Finance Committee November 2025 Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order:

- a. The meeting was held on November 18, 2025, at 6:00 PM in SUB Acoma A & B. The meeting began at 6:03 PM and was presided over by Finance Director Soumyodipta Karmakar.
- b. Roll Call:
 - i. Director: Soumyodipta Karmakar (Finance Director, non-voting except in case of tie)
 - ii. Vice-Chair: Caitlyn Tullar – Voting Member
 - iii. Member: Nikhil Sain – Voting Member
 - iv. Member: Charlotte Auh – Voting Member
 - v. Member: Refat Mishuk – Voting Member
 - vi. Member: Tosin Olofinsao – Voting Member
- c. Quorum was established (6 out of 6 FC members present at roll call).
- d. Motion to approve Appropriations #51F and #52F to the committee's first and second appropriations – Caitlyn moved, Nikhil seconded. Decision approved by unanimous vote.
- e. Motion to approve the November agenda – Caitlyn moved, Tosin seconded.
 - i. No questions or discussions regarding the agenda. Decision approved by unanimous vote.
 - ii. Decision: Agenda approved by unanimous vote.
- f. Indigenous People's Land & Territory Acknowledgement was read into the record by Caitlyn Tullar.

2. Opening Business:

- a. Approval of October Minutes:
 - i. Motion to open October minutes – Nikhil moved, Charlotte seconded.
 - ii. No questions or discussion regarding October minutes.
 - iii. Decision: Minutes approved unanimously.
- b. Public Comment – None



3. Officer Reports:

- a. Finance Committee Members Report: None
- b. Finance Director – Presented by Chair Soumyodipta Karmakar: Thanked members for their contributions this semester and congratulated the committee for reaching 50 plus appropriation requests for the semester. Communicated on the nature of amendments and revisions to GPSA Bylaws. Encouraged a timely appropriations meeting.
- c. Vice-Chair Report – Presented by Vice-Chair Caitlyn Tullar: Thanked committee members for their participation and effort this semester.

4. New Business:

- a. Motion to Enter Business: Caitlyn moved, Charlotte seconded.
 - i. [BudgetRevision#1F](#): Motion to open Hindu YUVA budget revision – Caitlyn moved, Charlotte seconded. Unanimously approved.
- b. Motion to suspend Standing Rules for Appropriations #51F and #52F – Nikhil motioned, Tosin seconded. Unanimously approved.
- c. Motion to open #51F and #52F – Charlotte motioned, Nikhil seconded. Unanimously approved.
- d. [Appropriation #51F](#): Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA) Council Branch
 - i. Line items 7 through 28 funded recommended at full amount.
 - ii. Caitlyn motioned to fund line item 35 at \$105, Charlotte seconded.
- e. [Appropriation #52F](#): Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA) Executive Branch
 - i. Motion to fund line item 7 at \$4,450 to accommodate greater responsibility and duties in the role of Director of Boards, Committees, and Elections – Caitlyn moved, Nikhil seconded.
- f. Motion to approve #51F and #52F for the proposed amounts – Nikhil motioned, Refat seconded. Unanimously approved.
- g. Motion to reinstate Standing Rules – Caitlyn moved, Charlotte seconded. Unanimously approved.



- h. Sweeping Motion: Motion to open appropriations #40F through #50F– Charlotte moved, Tosin seconded. Unanimously approved.
- i. [Appropriation #40F](#): Student Center for the Public Trust (StudentCPT)
 - i. Motions to fund line item 7 at \$800 per standing rules – Caitlyn moved, Charlotte seconded. Unanimously approved.
 - ii. Motion to fund line item 14 at \$0 because one of the speaker events will be occurring next semester and the organization received money for the speaker event that already occurred from ASUNM – Charlotte moved, Tosin seconded. Unanimously approved.
 - iii. Motion to fund line item 21 at \$25 because the difference was received from ASUNM – Caitlyn moved, Refat seconded. Unanimously approved.
- j. [Appropriation #41F](#): DNP 27 Student Social Organization (DNP27)
 - i. Line item 7 recommended at full amount.
- k. [Appropriation #42F](#): History Graduate Students Association (HGSA)
 - i. Motion to table HGSA because they were not present – Caitlyn moved, Tosin seconded. Unanimously approved.
- l. [Appropriation #43F](#): Political Science Graduate Students Association (PSGSA)
 - i. Line item recommended at full amount.
 - ii. Motion to fund line item 14 at \$2,011.35 (75% of requested amount) per standing rules – Charlottes motioned, Caitlyn seconded. Unanimously approved.
 - iii. Motion to fund line item 21 at \$2,125 – Charlotte motioned, Refat seconded. Unanimously approved.
 - iv. Motion to fund line item 28 at \$0 – Refat motioned, Caitlyn seconded. Unanimously approved.
 - v. Motion to fund line item 35 at \$0 – Refat motioned, Caitlyn seconded. Unanimously approved.
 - vi. Motion to fund line item 45 at \$0 – Tosin motioned, Charlotte seconded. Unanimously approved.
- m. [Appropriation #44F](#): Latine American Law Student Association (LALSA)
 - i. Motion to table LALSA because they were not present – Caitlyn moved, Tosin seconded. Unanimously approved.



- n. [Appropriation #45F](#): LoboSec – Capture the Flag Organization (LoboSec)
 - i. Line item 7 recommended at full amount.
 - ii. Motion to approve line item 14 at \$168 for one single membership as we cannot provide memberships for individual members on the condition that the organization provides the contract for UNM IT to review – Caitlyn motioned, Charlotte seconded. Unanimously approved.
 - iii. Line item 21 recommended at full amount.
 - iv. Line item 28 recommended at full amount.
 - v. Line item 35 recommended at full amount.
- o. [Appropriation #46F](#): American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS)
 - i. Motion to fund line item 7 at \$300 per standing rules – Caitlyn motioned, Charlotte seconded. Unanimously approved.
 - ii. Motion to approve line item 14 at \$314 because only one graduate student is attending – Nikhil motioned, Refat seconded. Unanimously approved.
 - iii. Motion to approve line item 21 at \$510 per standing rules (\$85 per day for 6 days) – Refat motioned, Caitlyn seconded. Unanimously approved.
- p. [Appropriation #47F](#): Bengal United Sports Club (BUSC)
 - i. Refat disclosed affiliation with organization.
 - ii. Motion to fund line item 7 at \$300 – Caitlyn motioned, Charlotte seconded. Unanimously approved.
 - iii. Motion to approve line item 14 at \$84 (70% per standing rules) – Charlotte motioned, Caitlyn seconded. Unanimously approved.
 - iv. Motion to approve line item 21 at \$100 (70% per standing rules) – Charlotte motioned, Nikhil seconded. Unanimously approved.
- q. [Appropriation #48F](#): Healthcare Advocacy Initiative of New Mexico (HAINM)
 - i. Motion to table HAINM because they were not present – Caitlyn motioned, Charlotte seconded. Unanimously approved.
- r. [Appropriation #49F](#): Graduate Art Association (GAA)
 - i. Motion to fund line item 7 at \$4,800 (75% of a \$640 ticket at 10 units) - Caitlyn motioned, Charlotte seconded. Unanimously approved.
 - ii. Motion to fund line item 14 at \$2,500 per standing rules – Charlotte motioned, Tosin seconded. Unanimously approved.



- iii. Line item 21 recommended at full amount.
- iv. Motion to fund line item 28 at \$0 per standing rules (per diem cap reached) – Charlotte motioned, Tosin seconded. Unanimously approved.
- v. Motion to approve line item 35 at \$200 per standing rules (\$4,800 already allocated and standing rules cap at \$5,000) – Caitlyn motioned, Refat seconded. Unanimously approved.
- vi. Line item 42 recommended at full amount.
- s. [Appropriation #50F](#): Computer Science Graduate Student Association (CSGSA)
 - i. Motion to approve line item 7 recommended at \$0 as it violates anti donation policy – Caitlyn motioned, Charlotte seconded. Unanimously approved
 - ii. Line item 14 recommended at full amount (description needs to be changed for food).
 - iii. Motion to approve line item 21 at \$70 per standing rules – Nikhil motioned, Caitlyn seconded. Four votes in favor, one abstention.
 - iv. Motion to approve line item 28 at \$0 as it violates anti donation policy – Refat motioned, Caitlyn seconded. Unanimously approved.
- t. Sweeping motion to approve appropriations #40F through #50F as adjusted – Caitlyn motioned, Charlotte seconded. Unanimously approved.
- u. Discussion & Edits in GPSA Finance Committee Standing Rules
 - i. Discuss potential sections of our Standing Rules that we should consider amending. Agreed to individually consider amendments and present our proposed amendments by the start of next semester.

5. Closing:

- a. Committee Member Comments – None
- b. Vice-Chair Comments – Thanked members for their work this semester.
- c. Director Comment: Director Karmakar thanked members for their work and collaboration.
- d. SGAO Comment: Michele Navarrette from SGAO presided – no comment.
- e. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

6. Director's Post-Meeting Note (for Council Public Comment):



- a. Per Article X, 2 (Posting of Minutes) of the Fall 2025 GPSA Finance Committee Standing Rules, these minutes are posted as a DRAFT and are pending approval by the Finance Committee at its next regular meeting.