



GPSA FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

March 11th, 2025

Venue: Acoma A&B

I. Call to order at 6:02pm by the chair, Mariano Fernandez

a. Roll Call

1. Mariano Fernandez
2. Rebecca Owopetu
3. Caitlyn Tullar
4. Nikhil Sain

b. Adoption of Agenda

The meeting commenced with the Chair, Mariano, calling for a motion to amend the agenda to include the public comment, Caitlyn made the motion, which was seconded by Rebecca. The committee unanimously approved the amended agenda.

c. Approval of Minutes

Soumyodipta made a motion for the approval of the February minutes, and it was seconded by Caitlyn. All committee members voted to approve of the minutes.

d. Public Comment

No comment from the public.

II. New Business

- a. Appropriations:** Caitlyn made a motion to open the March appropriations cycle, seconded by Soumyodipta.

To begin, Rebecca motioned to open appropriations for the GPSA requesting funds for their upcoming sustainability event. Nikhil seconded the motion. Following discussion, Caitlyn made a motion to amend to include food in place of the promotional items requested because the line item violates the UNM no giveaway rule. The committee unanimously approved an allocation of **\$783**, after a motion by Caitlyn and a second by Nikhil.

Nikhil then motioned to open appropriations for the **Gender and Reproductive Rights Law Student Society (GRRLSS)** and seconded by Caitlyn but it was tabled due to their absence after a motion by Rebecca and seconded by Nikhil.

Continuing the hearing, Nikhil made a motion to open appropriations for **Sri Lankan Students' Association** and seconded by Soumyodipta. Caitlyn made the motion to table due to their absence and it was seconded by Nikhil.

Appropriation was opened for **Islamic Medical Association** after a motion by Rebecca was seconded by Nikhil. After deliberation, the committee unanimously approved **\$483**. The motion was made by Rebecca and seconded by Caitlyn.

Next, Caitlyn motioned to open appropriations for the **Black Law Student Association**, seconded by Nikhil. However, due to their absence their request was tabled.

Rebecca made a motion to open appropriations for **Hindu YUVA**, and it was seconded by Caitlyn. The committee after discussions unanimously voted to award **\$2219** after the motion by Rebecca was seconded by Nikhil.

Caitlyn made a motion seconded by Nikhil to open appropriations for **Nepali Student Association**. After deliberation by the committee, Caitlyn made a motion to award **\$2624** and Nikhil seconded the motion.

Nikhil made a motion to open appropriations for **LAMBDA Law**, and it was seconded by Soumyodipta. Considering their request, the committee decided to suspend the standing rules for them. This motion was made by Caitlyn and seconded by Soumyodipta. Rebecca made a motion to award **\$3518** and it was seconded by Soumyodipta. All committee members voted in favour of this. Caitlyn made a motion to reinstate the standing rule, and it was seconded by Soumyodipta.

Nikhil made a motion to open appropriations for **UNM ACLU**, and it was seconded by Soumyodipta but it was tabled because they were not present.

Caitlyn made a motion to open appropriations for **Indian Student Association**, and it was seconded by Nikhil. **\$1679** was awarded to them after discussion. The motion was made by Soumyodipta and seconded by Caitlyn, and it was unanimously voted for by the committee members.

Caitlyn made a motion to reopen appropriations for **Black Law Students' Association** and Nikhil seconded the motion. Rebecca made a motion to approve **\$450** and the motion was passed unanimously after Caitlyn seconded it. **Adjournment:**
The meeting was adjourned at 8:24pm.