



**General Council Meeting  
September 6, 2025 at 10 am  
Lobo A and B in the SUB]**

I. Call to order

I'm going to call this meeting to order now at 10:05 am and then our council recorder is going to conduct roll call.

a. Roll Call

Hi, my name is Alyssa Pattee and I'm your council recorder and so first we have here today on September 6 2025 10am.

American Studies, Hennessey Star.

Biology, Will Bieker.

Chemistry and Chemical Biology, Emmanuel Quartey.

Earth and Planetary Sciences, Aidan Dunne

Economics, Ziqing Xi.

History, Gavin Rogers.

Law, Mason Leachman.

Law, Luisa Garcia-Teran.

Are there any other law representatives?

No, the TBD isn't elected yet.

Medicine, Arlen A. Bustillos.

Medicine, Sidney Aguilera.

Native American Studies, Marisa Page.

Physics, Sahid Oyeniran.

Is there anyone I didn't call?

Thank you.

b. Confirmation of Quorum

So with that and so with that we have seven RDSAs present and therefore we have quorum so

c. Approval of Agenda

- d. I'm going to move on to Indigenous Peoples' Territory Acknowledgement. Do I have a volunteer to Read the Indigenous Peoples' Land and Territory Acknowledgement? Anyone? I'll read it for the first meeting, but... No? Okay. So, founded in 1889, the University of New Mexico sits on the traditional homeland of the Pueblo of Sandia, original peoples of New Mexico, Pueblo, Navajo and Apache. Since time immemorial have deep connections to the land and have made significant contributions to the broader community statewide. We honor the land itself and those who remain stewards of this land throughout the generations and also acknowledge our commitment and relationship to indigenous peoples. We gratefully recognize our history.

## II. Opening Business

- a. Approval of last Meeting's minutes

So with that, I'm going to, the chair entertains a motion to approve last meeting minutes. Do I have a motion? Motion by Earth and Planetary Sciences. Do I have a second? Second by Law Leachman. So all those in favor of approval of last meeting's minutes, say aye. Aye. All opposed, say nay. All abstains. Any abstains? No. Motion passes.

- b. Media, Gallery, and Public Comments

We're now gonna move on to media gallery and public comment, both related and not related to the agenda. So at this point, if anybody has anything to say Public comment.

Ryan Linquest: Good morning, everybody. My name is Ryan Lindquist. I'm the director of the Student Activity Center and the advisor for GPSA Council. So it looks like several returning faces that I'm happy to see again, some new faces. So just wanted to primarily just offer an introduction. But you know I'm here to assist you as you work through legislation. You have questions about governance, things like that, please don't hesitate to see me. We're at a caddy corner right across from the GPSA offices where the Student Activity Center is. So if you ever need anything, please feel free to send me an email. I'll be happy to do so. But thanks for being here on a Saturday morning. Thank you.

Really quick, Earth and Planetary Sciences, do you have a question? Yes. It's more on something that we ended up passing last year. Last year, we passed legislation to change how RDSA funds were reallocated. The RDSA that I represent, we were told that we had to give back all of our funds, which was not what we passed. There's no minimum. What we passed was a down to a minimum of \$500. I want to know if anyone else had that same experience with their RDSAs, if that was something that was a personal expectation going on there, that we did manage to spend the money down to get outreach materials. But I just have to run out there to see if anyone else had that issue, or is that something that you guys know.

We can talk about that during reports, but I think that that's better suited for you to set up a meeting with either the finance chair, Ryan, or myself later and talk specifically about

it, because there's always a reversion of PP funds. So with that, do I have any other members of the public who like to speak?

## II. Guest speakers

None

## III. Officer reports

### a. President Report- Travis Broadhurst

With that, I see nothing else. So we're going to move on to officer reports. President Travis, do you have a report for us? . Hi, everybody. My name is Travis. I'm the GPSA president for this year. Pleasure to meet and see of you all again. I've seen some familiar faces, some new faces. I'm happy to be here, happy to be serving y'all. Please come by our office with any questions. The first thing that I want to talk about is that we have been doing departmental orientations this year and presenting at departmental orientations for the first time in several years. You've had a pretty good response from our presentations at those departmental orientations and so I want to kind of show you all this really quickly as an abridged version to number one kind of orient you with GPSA and what we've done in previous years and kind of what I'm hoping to do this year as president. And then, you know, through that, I think I'll give some of my updates as part of that presentation. So this is the presentation I've been giving at these departmental orientations. It's pretty simple. We first talk about the things that what GPSA does for you and kind of who we are as GPSA, with the major fact being that every student pays the GPSA fee. And our job as GPSA is to get you that feedback in whatever ways that we can, right, and try to get you that return on your investment, if you will. Okay. And we do that through events, programming, appropriations, budgets, grants, scholarships, all the other things we do, advocacy at the state level, right? And there's a lot. We also have, of course, these very simple benefits that you see here in the bottom bullet points. I won't go over that because I think most of y'all already know that. Here's a few things that we did last year for those of you that are new to council, or for those of you who just maybe didn't hear this last year. So we passed a state bill at the state legislature that actually expands some of the language around the state-sponsored graduate scholarship, which is really, really cool. We didn't make it the opportunity scholarship yet, but we're hoping to allocate more funding this year to start getting close to that point. Feel free to ask us more questions about that. We got \$75,000 from the state in additional funding to put more solar panels on the roof of the sub, huge accomplishment. We serve and represent grad students on 41 different university committees and boards and kind of expanded that last year. So everything from AI policy to new buildings, to parking, to whatever, GPSA represents grad students on those boards. We allocated over \$30,000 to graduate and professional students organizations last year. We hosted a number of events and we awarded almost \$200,000 in grants. I have a grant acceptance rate of about 40%, which is pretty amazing. What we're hoping to do next year, here's a few things. Again, I'm limited on time, so come talk to me if you want to know more about it. Number one, try to expand funding for the Graduate Scholarship Act. Number two, work closely with the

Grad Workers Union. I know a lot of us are members of the union and we really believe in the union, so does say, we can't necessarily do the same things the union does, but we are working together and we're working towards the same thing, right? Making lives better for grad students. We want to secure funding for at least 200 free dental cleanings for graduate students. We want to expand access to parking. We have a new bike valet program on campus that was funded by student fees. So we want to ensure that that gets off the ground and continues to roll out really, really successfully. And then you can see the rest of those goals. Here's a little bit about our grants. I won't talk about that because you all can see that on the website. Here's also about how GPSA funds student organizations. So you can see that as we've been doing these departmental orientations, I've been trying to give students idea of what GPSA is, what we have done, what we can do, and then what we do for students and for those student organizations they care about, right? As each of you representatives of your RDSA, this particular slide is really important to you. You probably know a lot of this already, but GPSA does fund RDSAs through three different mechanisms, which is pretty great. I also finally want to introduce you know, a lot of our leadership, you'll see a lot of them here today, right, and some of the faces that you see in front of you are also up on this slide. Hopefully, we have conducted our final interview for GPSA leadership this year, and so our leadership will be finalized by, you know, today or tomorrow or at least early next week, but we really have a great team from many different backgrounds, right, folks from all sorts of different walks of life in different countries, different places, etc., etc., and also different departments. I think there's only a few people on this on this page that are actually members of the same academic department, so really excited for the team that we have, really thankful to already be done with it and kind of have that in place. As far as other things, we are hoping to do a strategic planning meeting in our next executive board meeting, which is open to the public. So if you want to be a part of strategic planning for GPSA for this next year, which again, we haven't really done formally in the past, please come to our next executive board meeting. We'll announce that, put it up on the website. And again, you're welcome to attend. I've also been setting up one-on-ones with different members of university leadership. Provost, the Dean of Students, the Vice President for Student Affairs, et cetera, et cetera. If you want to be able to voice your concerns through these members of university leadership in a direct way, please come talk to me. I'm here to represent you. I'm here to represent your departments and your students. So please come talk to me about that. Yeah, that's kind of all the big stuff. Perfect. Right under five minutes. There's also now five minutes for questions, if anybody has any questions for the president. Please raise your placard if you do. I see none.

b. Council Chair- Jacob Griego

So with that, we're going to move into my report. So I also have five minutes. So hello, everyone. My name is Jacob Griego. Thank you so much for electing me to serve in this role. I'm very familiar with parliamentary procedure, very familiar with writing legislative documents, and working on student government. So with that, I want to share

a little bit of my goals for this year. So hopefully you all will approve our excellent LSC chair because what we're going to be doing is we're going to be rewriting the constitution this semester, the GPSA constitution, and then we're going to be rewriting the bylaws next semester. So that way we don't want to do the bylaws first and then the constitution because then they won't line up. But unfortunately because, well not unfortunately, but because we have to get approval by the majority of students and then get approval by the Board of Regents, naturally we can put that on the president's ballot whenever that comes up next semester and we can get it all done in one fell swoop. So that way we can start up with stronger documents instead of the little cut and paste sticky edited versions that we have, as well as just overall build a stronger organization. So with that, I would like all of you to strongly consider joining the LSE committee. So you get an additional \$250 stipend that I am working with the finance chair to raise, and he can confirm that. It's one meeting a month. It's right now Wednesdays at five, but David was willing to be flexible to be able to move that for a time that works with your schedule. You're going to work really closely with us as we reformat that constitution. And it's going to be a long-term impact because it hasn't been completely remade in over 20 years. So it'll be a big deal. Again, you'll basically double your stipend and then with another raise. So it's going to be well worth your time. You can make a little bit of money. Also for that one, I think we're going to allow one absence because it already technically starts late. So it's not going to be like too much of a time eater. But if you're interested in that, I have five spots. What we're going to do is later on, assuming you all approve it, we're going to move out of parliamentary procedure and have a conversation and select those five, if you're willing. So just keep that in mind through the rest of the meeting. Other than that, I'm really excited to be working with you. I am a current 3L, so I'm in my third year of law school, and I'm really excited to be almost done. But with that, I'm also in clinic. So this semester, I'm actually representing clients. I have court dates, so I'm not going to be in office as often as I would like to be this semester. Next semester, I'm going to basically live there. So, but I am there for my office hours. Feel free to drop by if you ever want to have any conversations one-on-one, meet with David and I individually, we'd be more than happy to help you pass the legislation that you see that you want done and we'll be able to kind of continue from there. So with that, I now yield for any questions. Seeing no questions, we're going to move on to Council Reporters. So Council Reporters, I know you introduced yourself, but you're also able to say like anything that you would like;

1. Okay. Hi, my name's Alyssa Pattee, and I'm your council reporter. I got my bachelor of science from UNM with a degree in community health education, and I'm getting my master's in project management this year. As your council reporter, I'm using new AI technology to sort of see if I can access the microphones around you guys to record today's session. So if you have a computer with a If you could please open the link, I would appreciate it. And I just want to try it out and see how this goes. And if we need to change in the future, I'll be able to do that this week. So thank you

for having me. I look forward to everything. And I really appreciate everyone being here today. Thank you so much. Perfect.

#### IV. Committee Reports

##### a. Finance Committee

1. So, with that we're going to continue back to our action items. So Finance Committee. Chair entertains a motion to open the 2025 2026 finance standing rules. Do I have a motion by Earth and Planetary Sciences? second by physics. All right, all those in favor to open it say aye. Opposed nay. Abstentions. Seeing none motion passes. Finance director if you want to come up and just take a couple minutes to talk about your edits. Hello everyone, I'm Somadipta Karmakar, fifth year PhD student in physics and astronomy. I'm the If you have any questions later, please, you can contact me. So I will go quickly. So I would like to share some context. The finance committee standing rules was not updated for the last three years. It was very old, and the maximum allocations of individual funds are pretty low. But we are in a very unique situation. We have a lot of unspent amount for the last several years because we are under in a very So there are some modifications I have done, because it was initially approved by our finance committee in the last finance committee meeting. So some modification, I will just go through that, because others are already mentioned. And some additions, I will just go through that, because it was initially approved by our finance committee in the last finance committee meeting. So some modifications, I will just go through that, because others are already mentioned. I have done after discussion with the SGO, the Student Government Accounting Office. So here in the agenda and notice, that was an addition I would like to do. So here, as you all know, to organize a meeting, so we have to publicly announce the notice and agenda. So we explained about the agenda, I forgot to put the notice. So that I would like to add here. So there's some addition I would like to do. So I'm requesting to all of you to consider that an access. So that is one of that. And then in our last meeting, the discussion was pretty good, but it was very long. So I added some rules, like every finance committee member will get two times for the discussion. And we have to strictly follow the Robert's rule of order, which I gave some example. Here's how to talk. So that's some addition I would like to do. And so this is a modification. The finance committee suggested that there's a suspension of rules, like when we will do the suspension, like what are the exceptional cases. So I explained here. So this is the modification, actually, in red. And under food and refreshments, so this is the fund allocation. So I actually forgot to include for the general board meeting purposes. I included for the large, even, and small events. So that I included, like \$200 per general board meeting with a maximum of four meetings. So that I would like to request to consider it. And some modification happened, like special circumstances, like if you are also getting money from any other funding sources. So earlier, I just mentioned ASUNM. But I made it generalized, like if you are getting funds from external, so there will be an exception. And also I modified it after suggestion from finance committee that earlier I put we will give some fund for travel expenses to the guest speakers, which is not

allowed by UNM policies, that I modified it. We will not fund to honorarium. We will only fund for their remuneration or something. And the final part is about the partium. Under 3.0, we have a lot of changes. Travel, we didn't put the maximum allocation. After discussion with SGO, so I put \$2,500 to the charter student organization as a whole total per per diem, like lodging and meals. And another addition I put for the airfare, that is the maximum allocation is the \$5,000 per conference to the GPS charter organization. So that's all the modification and addition I have done on top of the initial approved standing by the Finance Committee, which you have already got in the agenda. With that, the Chair entertains a motion to adopt all of the Finance Director's edits to the standing rules. Excuse me. The Chair entertains to create a sweeping motion to adopt all of the changes that the Finance Chair has made after approval by the Finance Committee. Is there a motion? Motion by Law Leachman. Do I have a second? Second. Second by Medicine. All those in favor, say aye. Aye. Opposed? With that, we're going to move into questions. Does anybody have any questions for the finance director for why these edits were made? Seeing none, moving on to discussion. Oh, question? Yeah, I was wondering how you chose those amounts. The maximum allocation? Yeah, so we didn't put the number of members here. So we constrained the minimum of either 75% for the airfare particularly, like 75% of the economic class fare they requested. Or it should not exceed 500 per student. So here, we decided if I multiply 10 students, it will be maximum 5,000 for the airfare. And also, not particularly for travel, and in any other items, for example, food and others, like we made it very generous because right now we are in a very unique position because we have a lot of money now, so which we have to give to the student charter associations because we are in under heavy underutilization of our money, even though we increased the student fee. Okay, would there be maybe two tiers? Maybe we should discuss whether there should be two tiers of travel expenses for international or national conferences, especially for airfare. Thank you for the quick answer. Yeah. Finance Vice Chair, do you have a response? Yeah. Part of the hesitation with having travel at such a high amount is that once student organizations find out, oh, they'll give us \$10,000 to go to a conference, we're going to exhaust our funds for you. So there's flexibility still to do some international conference here, because it will impact that. But I don't know just fiscally if we would be able to fund international events for every organization and still provide all the other financial resources that we need to tackle issues with. That I think would be something to consider on a case basis I can answer your question. In history, you have now spoke twice, so you can no longer ask questions on the business. But with that, I can answer for her. Finance committee can at any time suspend their finance rules, their standing rules, and therefore fund to any extent that they see possible. So there is no need to move. These aren't binding. These are just general guidelines. However, in order to preserve funds, we try to stick to them. But in some cases they do suspend. So that's with that. With that, do I have any other questions? Seeing none, do I have any discussion? With that, the Chair entertains a

motion to open and approve all of the edits that Finance Chair has made to the Finance Standing Rules. Motion made by history. Do I have a second? Second by physics. All those in favor say aye. Aye. Opposed?

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Earth and Planetary Sciences – EPS Aidan Dunne	X		
Economics Ziqing Xie	X		
History Gavin Rogers	X		
Law Mason Leachman	X		
Law Luisa Garcia-Teran	X		
Law TBD			X-AB
Medicine Arlin A. Bustillos	X		
Medicine Julie Emeanuwa			X-AB
Medicine Roni Parrales			X-AB
Medicine Sidney Aguilera	X		
Native American Studies Marisa Page	X		
Physics Saheed Oyeniran	X		
Physics Zahid Hasan			X-AB
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That with the unamimus vote, motion passes to adopt all of the finance chair's edits. With that, we now have to approve to pass those standing rolls in whole, so the chair intervenes a motion to pass the finance standing rules as they stand in full with the edits. Do I have a motion? Okay, motion by Earth and Planetary Sciences. Do I have a second? Second. Okay, second by Medicine Bustillos. All right, so with that we're just going to do a voice vote. All in favor say aye. Aye. All opposed say nay. Any abstentions? Seeing none opposed, motion passed.

2. With that, we're going to move into appropriations. So the chair contains a sweeping motion to open and then vote on all appropriations as was passed by the finance committee. So that way we don't have to go through every single one, unless you want to go through every single one. You can always vote no. So with that, do I have a motion for a sweeping motion? Motion made by Earth and Planetary Sciences. Do I have a second? Second. Second by physics. All in favor, say aye. All opposed, say nay. Nay. Nay by history. Any abstentions? Motion passes with only one nay. We're voting on all of them. So you want to just go really quickly, two minutes, what they are asking for, what council approved, and why they did a cut, if they did. Sure, sure. Thank you, Council Chair. So this time, In our first finance committee meeting, we got 10 appropriations, which was really great as a start. So the first appropriation was from Historical Law Society. So they are planning to organize two events. So for that, they requested money for food for two events. And they requested like \$7.05 total. And the finance committee recommended the \$7.05 initially. This is for the food. And you will get the details here I mentioned in line 1. And second is, I will go quickly, actually. If anyone has a question, you can ask me. So the second appropriation from Women in Physics, Astronomy, and Optics, WIPOW. So they are also organizing two events in this semester. And one of them is book club. So that's why they requested money under 3.110. And then they requested money for supply costs, like napkin, utensils. And they requested money for food for those. So next one we have received from Public Health Student Association, PHA. So they are planning to do two events in the semester. One is like a kickoff meeting, maybe like a welcome party, and another they are planning to go to Jemez Mountains to promote student wellness, community building. So for that, we have allocated food for those events. And we have also allocated travel gas mileage to go to the Jemez mountains and come back. And we also allocated money for supply carts, like utensils and et cetera. Next appropriation we have received from national organization for the provisional advancement of black chemists and chemical engineers. So they requested money for two events. Like welcome party and an in-semester celebration. So for those two events, they requested food. So we have allocated the food amount and also supply costs like for utensils and napkins. So for the line item three, so they requested for \$588, but based on the new standing rules, like for small events, we will allocate at most \$500. So that's why we cut \$88. Next. Then we have received appropriation from Hindu Yoga. So it's a big one, actually. So first, they are planning to attend a regional religious conference in California. So for that, they requested money for

travel. So they originally requested \$1,253. But based on the current standing rules, we allocated \$1,500. Like for three people and and also during the presentation they said like the airfare has been increased and they also shared like more than three quotations so based on that the finance committee decided to give 5 1500 for three people conference fees for three people we have allocated 250 225 for copying general they originally equates to 100 but in the standing rules we increased from 100 to 200 so that's why finance committee allocated 200 for computer their supplies, we have allocated \$100. So for food, when they requested, so they requested for one event. But during the presentation, they requested, like, we want to request for another event in the semester, same semester. So in the new standing rules, we have said, like, for large events, we will give \$1,500 per event, up to two events in the semester. So that's why for two events, we allocated, like, \$1,500 each, or a total of \$3,000. Then other professional services, like they requested, thousand dollar in for one event I think the promotional services photo booth but during the presentation they also requested for DJ so all total we approved \$1,312 and lastly for supply costs we like followed the standing rules like we have a in the in the standing rules we mentioned any item not listed explicitly in the standing rules we will give 70% of that so that's why 70% So out of 6,791, we have eliminated 21. All right, and before we move on, I just wanna add, so like history, you had two speaking rights for each business. You get two for each more, so you have two more. So don't feel like you're out for the rest of the meeting. Also with that, you can still make changes, even on a sweeping motion, you do that in discussion. So just motion to increase or decrease, whatever it is. So just because this is where we're at now, doesn't mean that it necessarily has to stay this way. So with that, is there any questions on any of the appropriations for the finance director? Oh, sorry. There was one more. So the last appropriation we have received from Student American Society of Landscape Architects, SASLA. So they basically requested money for a conference they are planning to attend in Louisiana. So for that, they requested airfare for 12 attendees, 4,781, and we followed the standard rules, like minimum of 75% and not exceed like \$500 per student. And based on that, we approved 3,654 for airfare. For overnight, that's like per diem plus lodging meals. So the finance committee decided to allocate the whole money because they will live in the hostel internationally in New Orleans. So finance committee said, OK, we will give the full money. For the food, so this food, they requested for general body meetings throughout the the semester. So the thing is, as I mentioned in the beginning, like I included the denial body meetings, which was not there during this. So we just went through the small event allocation, like five, 400, and like 450. And we allocated like 900. Later, I added it and other professional services. So like the t-shirts they requested, whoever will attend the conference for those attendees, they requested t-shirts. So we allocated the money. It's not like a It is not violating the anti-donation because they are representing the UNF and the supply course for particular this so they are they were planning like to some planting soiling off campus like out of UNF so that it is like if they were planning on

campus, then we will be able to allocate so that's why We didn't allocate \$357 for tech. So all total we approved six thousand five hundred and thirty two dollars for That's yeah, that's all for the from the approbation. Okay, thank you for being now. Are there any questions for the finance chair on any of the appropriations? Finance directors? Seeing none? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the challenge contains a motion to vote on all appropriations. Is there? Motion by Earth and Planetary Sciences, is there a second? Second by Chemistry. With that, we're going to do a roll call vote, whenever Alyssa is ready. This is the sweeping motion for all fiscal appropriations.

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## V. Action Items

### a. Mandated Items

#### 1. Approval of GPSA full council standing rules.

So these are updated annually. I changed it due to OILS asking me when I was running last semester if I could extend guest speaker time. So what I did is I did extend it from seven minutes to 10, and then also two additional times for the council chair to extend it at his discretion, at my discretion, rather than having to call for a vote every single time, every 10 minutes or every seven minutes. And then after that, you guys then overrule. If I extend, you're like, no, we need to get this meeting going. One of you can call for a vote and then we can either stop it. Or if I don't extend the time, you can also call for a vote to extend it. So that way you guys still maintain power in that regard. I also changed where all business needs to be sent to me on the Monday before full council. At 10 a.m. Rather than Tuesday. The turnaround time in accordance with OMA and our staff is only two days. I would like that third day just to make sure everything's in accordance, make sure that everything's looking perfect. This meeting, obviously, I went ahead and accepted everything before 10 a.m. Because I was still using last year's standing rules, but hopefully with this addition, we can adopt to move everything till Monday. Also with this, everything else is pretty much the same. Speaking time for your RDS updates is the same. Speaking time for President and Council Chair report is the same. With that, if any, do I have a motion to open full Council's proposed 2025-2026 standing rules? Okay, motion by Medicine to open. Second by Earth and Planetary Sciences. Any questions? Seeing none, any discussion? So this is your opportunity to change anything if you didn't like it. I sent them to you last night and they're also public. Seeing none, we're gonna go on ahead and do a roll call vote whenever Alyssa is ready for this one.

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2. So with that, I, well, I totally skipped a motion. So with that, I entertain a motion to appointments to after opening business. Moved by Law Leachman. Do I have a second? Second by, Arlen Bustillos ,Medicine. So all in favor, say aye. Aye. All opposed, say nay. Any abstentions? Seeing none opposed, motion passes. So with that, we're going to go on ahead and skip to appointments. We're going to start with the executive branch. So the chair entertains a motion to open, entertains a sweeping motion to open and vote on all of the executive appointments in one go. What that means basically is instead of voting on each and every single individual person. It gets to do it all at once. So it'll take a little bit less time. If you really, really don't want someone, you can also opt out, but that is not necessary. So with that, do I have a to open all executive appointments as a sweeping motion? Motion by Earth and Planetary Sciences. Do I have a second? Second. Second by Physics. All those in favor, say aye. Aye. All opposed, say nay. Any abstentions? Seeing none, we will

open it. So we're going to start with elections committee director. The executive has presented Wilfred Osei. We have grants director. Bhawana Kafle , political director. We have Kaitlyn Harrison . And then going on to finance, we have finance. We have Soumyodipta Karmakar. Thank you. Finance member Tosin Olofinsao and finance member Refat Mishuk. So with that, I'm going to go on ahead and say the chair contains a motion approve all the executive appointments. Any motions? Motion to questions. Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah. OK. So with that, does anybody have any questions? Does anybody have any discussion? With that, we'll move on to the Chair obtains a motion to approve all executive appointments. I'm going to go with Medicine. Motion by Medicine, second? Second. Second our complimentary site. So this one, we're going to do a roll call vote just because it is a position. So Alyssa, whenever you're ready, please. Also, please write this one into your agendas

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Medicine Roni Parrales			X-AB
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Thank you. Perfect. Motion Passes Unanimously!

1. So with that, we're going to try and do the exact same thing, a sweeping motion to open up all of the legislative appointments. Do I have, the chair entertains that motion. Okay, moved by Physics. Do I have a second? Second. Second, Earth and Planetary Sciences. All those in favor, say aye. Aye. Opposed? Abstentions? Seeing none, the motion passes. With that, we're going to go through the legislative standing. Legislative Standing Committee Chair, David Lonergan, Finance Vice Chair, Caitlyn Tullar. Finance Member Nikhil Sain, and Finance Member Charlotte Auh. With that, do I have any questions? Do I have any discussion? Seeing none, we're going to go on ahead and go to a voice vote to, oh, do I have a motion to approve all of the legislative appointments? I have a Motion, Law Leachman. Do I have a Second. Yes, Bustillos Medicine. All right. Any Questions? Any Discussion? Seeing none, Whenever you're ready for the roll call vote for legislative appointments.

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So with that unanimous vote all legislative appointments have been approved so congratulations. All of those that are here for their appointment you have been approved and you're welcome to stay for the rest of the meeting but you also don't have to so glad you could be here, the exception of David, you're stuck with me.

1. Legislative Steering Committee Member nominations and appointments so we're going to move on to the legislative steering committee appointments. With that, because it's going to be a little bit more of a conversation, we're going to be taking five of you. We were required to take five, so please, please give me five people. With that, I, entertain a motion to move out of parliamentary procedure and out of Robert's Rules of Order so we can have that conversation and select five of you. Is there a motion? So moved. Motion by American Studies. Is there a second? Second. Second Earth and Planetary Sciences. All those in favor say aye. Aye. All those opposed say nay. Any abstentions? Seeing none, motion passes unanimously. We just did. So moving out of this, basically, unless you do well, to free speech. So you don't need to be recognized. You guys can have open discussion. You cannot conduct any business. So you will have to move back to the future. You should vote on free speech. Thank you. It's very rare that we do this. It's just that because I was getting RDSA applications up until the last minute yesterday, some of you didn't have an opportunity to be able to run and let me know that you were interested in the position. So that's why we're hosting it in the meeting. And that's why in the agenda it says that we're going to be talking about it in minutes. Because I wanted to make sure everything was still in accordance with OMA, but give people who are running a little bit late on their paperwork an opportunity to join. So with that, there's several positions, starting with the LSC vice chair. So you're going to fill in every time that the LSC chair is unable to be there. So does anybody want that position? Come on. This is for the Constitutional Committee. Yes. Thank you. I can elaborate. So it's legislative and steering committee is the full name. So any bylaw edits, constitutional law, constitution edits have to go through LSC? So there's actually a

way to skip it. You have to get like 50 signatures and then you can kind of skip LSC and go straight to council. But in general, everything goes through LSC first. Just like the Finance Committee is on the Financial Appropriations Committee, LSC committee does. That being said, if we don't have any submissions, the meeting is automatically canceled and it's removed from the agenda this next one. You still have to convene and basically say it, so you could even do it on Zoom, depending on, it's at your discretion if you want to or not, and you'll know in advance. Yeah, and to elaborate a little bit on the scheduling that we were talking about before, it's going to be the Wednesday the Wednesday preceding a, excuse me, the Wednesday, two weeks preceding a council meeting because we have to get our approved, anything approved has to go to the council chair so we can put it on the agenda in compliance with OMA. If we need to schedule anything, that is something written in the standing rules that we can do. So if we're at the Wednesday meeting and we say, okay, next meeting is at this day and somebody on the council says, well, I need to reschedule for X, Y, Z, we can do that there. So there's a lot of flexibility here. And again, if it doesn't happen, you can always, you'll probably meet on Zoom, say there is no business and the meeting and that's, I just got an email saying that. Yes. So, well, yes, you're going to be voting on those edits once they're done, if you would like to have access to like the Google document that we're working on putting together to actually make those changes. Redlining right like crossing out and that way you can see the changes that are made because those are what are going to go through your committee. So this committee is actually reviewing changes that it was public making and then we're going to provide changes. Yes and then those revised changes once they're done with the constitution get voted on by this graduate student body then the board of regents and that are adopted so they'll probably start next year. So um that that will probably be a really long meeting whenever we submit these the entire constitutional rewrite. But other than that, unless, cause I don't know if the executive branch is planning on bringing any changes this year. I don't know if I'm planning on bringing any changes. My main goal is just the constitution. Yeah. And for that longer meeting, depending on how everything goes, I probably will try to get an appropriation and so we can get some food because that is going to be significantly longer meeting than the other ones. Also with that, I messed up, starting next meeting, we'll have snacks and stuff. But as you can see, I tend to run my meetings a little bit fast compared to some other people in this position. Council reporter had a comment as well. Oh yeah. Gluten free diet. Got it. Dietary restriction. But I know. Perfect. So with that, do I have a volunteer for LSC vice chair? Mason Leachman law? Does anybody else want it? No? Beautiful. I'm going to write him in here. We're going to still have to amend, like adopt him in the moments, but just so you can kind of get it. And then if you're willing, we can do a sweeping motion for all of these appointments as well. So you don't have to go one by one. Do I have an LSC member volunteer? I have four of those positions. I'm sorry? So vice chair fills in whenever David can't conduct business. Member is there and votes. Fun fact, David can't vote on any of the legislation, but the vice chair can. I never specified that. (David Lonnergan: Yeah, I'm the tiebreaker. That's the only reason that I would be able to get a vote. ) Correct. Just like I don't vote on your business unless there's a So any volunteers for Constitution? I see History and Earth and Planetary Sciences. So it would be two weeks prior to the full council meeting. So this coming one, I believe, is September 17. And we have that scheduled at 5 PM in actually the

same room. It's also on your agenda on the back side, I believe. I have a list of upcoming meetings. Yes. It says Legislative Steering Committee there, September 17. That one is scheduled for 5, like I said. Figure out does not work for people then at that meeting we can address, like, we want to revise to x time at x day. It just has to be a full week prior to the council meeting so we can get Jacob. All of the bills that we end up approving. So Earth and Planetary Sciences year, you're okay. Native American Studies as well. So I have Law for Vice Chair Mason, I have Earth and Planetary Sciences, Physics, Native American Studies, so I still have one more seat. Biology and History, I can appoint more than one if you would both like to be on it. History, you don't want to? Okay. Biology. We currently have it scheduled for five if anybody has job commitments or anything like that and you absolutely cannot be there right at five let me know we can amend it we still have enough time to be in accordance with all to amend meeting times so with that does anybody have anything else that they want to say before we move back into parliamentary procedure and robert's rules of order seeing none the chair entertains a motion to enter back into parliamentary procedure and robert Rules of Order. Is there a motion? Motion by Chemistry. Is there a second? Second. Second by History. Any questions? Seeing none, any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor of, we're going to do a voice vote. All those in favor of entering back into the Rules of Parliamentary Procedure and Robert's Rules of Order, say aye. Aye. Opposed, say nay. Any abstentions? Seeing none, motion passes unanimously. With that, the Council Chair entertains a motion to open up the Legislative Steering Committee LSC member nominations. Moved by, motioned by law, seconded by history. All those in favor say aye. Opposed say nay any abstentions seeing none nomination for line item section or yeah section B subsection a for legislative for one for LSE vice chair appointment by Council Chair as Mason Leachman. I have Earth and Planetary Sciences Aidan Dunne , I have LSE member physics. Saheed Oyeniran, Native American Studies, Marrisa Page. All right, and then biology William Beaker. The chair entertains a sweeping motion to approve all five of the LSC appointments. Is there a motion? Motion by Earth and Planetary Sciences. Is there a second? Seconf by Physics. Any questions? Any discussion? Seeing none.

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All right. Motion passes unanimously. Congratulations, all of you. Please stop by and see David afterwards so he can get your name, number, email, and that you all are on his specific listserv. And you also to talk to Ryan to set up your email. Is he using your personal email? You need the time. I've got the GPS. I've got the LLC email. Is it working? Yeah, it's working. Okay, never mind. Just have an email me through it. That's right. Okay. So with that, that is the end of our business. So now we go into council announcements.

## VII. Council Announcements

- a. So you each have three minutes to tell us about your RDSA, any events, fundraising opportunities, qualms, issues that you want to approach as a council. Also, if you have nothing, you can say, I have nothing going on. And that's totally okay. It's the beginning of the semester, so it's all right if you don't. So with that, we're going to go in order. We're going to go with American Studies. None. Biology. None. Chemistry. None. Earth and Planetary Sciences: looking forward to a new year. Thank you for the update history. Law, Mason and Luisa None., Native American Studies, None. Medicine, None. Perfect Physics, any updates?None. All right, with that, we'll go into just an announcement for our upcoming meetings.

### VIII. Upcoming Meetings

- a. Next full council meeting is September 27th, 10 a.m., same room. The announcement is already up. You'll get the agenda probably that Tuesday is when I'll be able to build it. I will not be here. I am taking a deposition that day, doing depositions class. Because I love spending my weekends in class. And then David's going to be chairing that meeting. So hopefully you kind of now have a general idea of what to do. We'll get there. So I can write it out. I can write out the motions for you as well. Yes, for the 27th. And then I'll be back for the October meeting.
- b. With that finance committee is October 16th. And when is the deadline to submit appropriations? Yes. So if your RDSAs have any appropriations to submit, make sure they're in by next Tuesday. And then again, Legislative Steering Committee, September 17th, 2025, in this room at 5 p.m.

### IX. Adjourn.

So with that, it is 11, 12 a.m. I adjourn this meeting. You all are free to go. Thank you so much for being here, for getting quorum, so that way everybody can start their jobs and get paid.