

UD Graduate Student Government
February 2020 Public Meeting Minutes
February 4th, 2020 | Memorial Hall Room 127 | 7:00pm

- I. Call to Order & Welcome President Sunder
- II. Committee Reports
 - A. Internal Affairs Committees Vice President Hein
 - 1. Communications
 - a) Continuing to update website and social media
 - 2. Events
 - a) Forum website is up
 - (1) Theme is Professional Development
 - (2) April 13th-17th
 - (3) Workshops will be held for several days culminating in day of the forum
 - (4) Call for abstracts has been released
 - 3. Operations
 - a) Approved two new base budget requests and one supplementary event budget
 - b) Rock the Vote 2020 will be held in April or May, registering people to vote, speakers, etc.
 - c) Working on formalizing how much money is given to organizations
 - d) \$42,000 left to distribute for the year
 - 4. Social
 - a) Planning to have 2 happy hour style events each month
 - (1) March 2nd
 - b) Planning Theater night again this semester
 - c) Planning Visit to Longwood Gardens
 - B. Student Affairs Committees President Sunder
 - 1. Diversity
 - a) Pursuing an idea to coordinate with admin to have a LGBTQ+ training plus social event
 - b) Working on grad student help me pdf guide
 - (1) Compiled list of resources available to students addressing diversity concerns and looking for submissions for other kinds of concerns

- 2. Student Life
 - a) Working on a pamphlet for grad students who are expecting parents
 - b) Investigating increasing maternity leave from 6 weeks to 12 weeks
 - c) First conflict training from the grad college was held this week
- 3. Sustainability
 - a) Drafting new resolutions
 - b) Working with undergrads
- 4. Mental Health
 - a) Piloting a couple EmPOWER programs
- 5. Community Engagement

C. Senate Committees Vice President Abraham

- 1. Governance
 - a) Working on revising bylaws
- 2. Elections
 - a) Preparing annual legislation to open elections for next year
 - b) Other preparations for those elections

D. External Committees President Sunder

- 1. Grad College Dean Updates
 - a) Mike Bush has been serving on the committee searching for a dean for the graduate college
 - b) Doug Doren is only serving as interim dean
 - c) Down to 4 candidates who will be doing public campus visits
 - d) Please attend the open forums
 - (1) Forums will be held on 2/17, 2/18, 2/20, 2/21
 - (2) All forums will be held from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm
- 2. Grad College Updates
 - a) All GSG members have an open invitation to Grad College meetings on 2/24
 - (1) Meeting will be held 2 to 3:30 in the Ewing Room at Perkins Student Center
 - b) Student Life Committee Meeting will be held on 3/2
 - (1) Now soliciting feedback, email at: ichremos@udel.edu

III. Organization Delegates Reports President Sunder

IV. Open Floor President Sunder

A. Approval of December Minutes

- 1. No discussion

- B. SR-1920-04 “A Resolution Approving the Creation of a Standing Graduate Council Liaison Committee”
 - 1. No discussion
 - C. SR-1920-05 “A Resolution Instating Elections Rules for 2020”
 - 1. GSG will be sponsoring a supply drive with the department of health and human services
 - 2. We need volunteers to place boxes in their offices/around campus
 - 3. Plan is to have boxes out until April
 - D. A Motion to Vote on Constitution Amendments and Bylaw Amendments on 11 March 2020
 - 1. This vote will be to approve the creation of amendments and recognition that senators will have to read through the documents before the next meeting
 - 2. Examples of changes:
 - a) Gender neutral pronouns
 - b) Committee Expectations
 - c) Inactive Senators and Exec Stipulations
 - d) Grad Council rules/expectations
 - e) Language about resolution pipeline
- V. Senate Floor Parliamentarian Bingaman
- A. Old Business
 - 1. Approval of December Minutes
 - a) Approved
 - B. New Business Parliamentarian Bingaman
 - 1. A Motion to Vote on Constitutional Bylaw Amendments on 11 March 2020
 - a) Passed 20-0-0
 - 2. SR-1920-04 “A Resolution Approving the Creation of a Standing Graduate Council Liaison Committee”
 - 3. SR-1920-05 “A Resolution Instating Elections Rules for 2020”
 - a) Passed unanimously 17-0-0
- VI. Announcements President Sunder
- A. Next Month’s Meeting will be held March 11th, 2020 at 7:00pm
 - B. Senator elections will be held online in March
 - C. Exec Committee Elections will be held via a special meeting March 25th
 - 1. At this meeting candidates will give a short stump speech
 - 2. Voting will open at this meeting and will run for a week
 - D. Exec Committee Interest Meeting will be held on March 4th at 7:00pm

- E. Planning a UD Grad Student Health Insurance Town Hall
 - 1. Feedback will be considered while renegotiating Aetna Contract
- F. Grad Student Forum will be held 4/17/20 see details above
 - 1. Disseminate widely!
 - 2. We are looking for volunteers to help run this event
- G. Gala will be held May 8th on STAR Campus
 - 1. Still in talks but we are hoping to get gala ticket discounts for forum volunteers

VII. Adjournment