

# CGPSA (Commission on Graduate and Professional Student Affairs) Meeting Minutes September 6, 2022

## I. Call to Order/Welcome-

Chair Alice Fox called the meeting to order at 3:32.

## II. Roll Call/Introductions

Members in attendance: Austin, Janice; Ball, Arthur; Barbish, John; Buhle, Anna; de Jager, Caroline; Glass, Martha; Kleiber, Stephen; Leff, Jack; Myers, April; Shupe, Sally; Surface, Lauren; Surprenant, Aimée; Walters, Tyler; Whitesell, Nick; Wong, Kenneth

## III. Member Reports

### a. Graduate School Updates-

- Dean Surprenant read the charge for the commission. There will be a little overlap between this commission and CGPSP.
- Mentioned the policy around Instructor of Record needs guidelines.
- Grad Stipend Task Force is making progress and will make recommendations to the Provost by the December deadline.
- Dean of Students office will collaborate with the Graduate School for short term loan fund.

### b. Senate Updates-

- Undergraduate Student Senate is having trouble filling seats
- No Faculty/Senate Update

## IV. General Orders/ Discussion Topics

### a. Commission charge, scope, and spirit

- Commission charge is broad; collaborative, constructive, with guides/mentors/helpers
- How can we help student groups?

### b. Commission Consent Decision-Making Model & member expectations

- Alice shared the model: <https://patterns.sociocracy30.org/consent-decision-making.html> Goal is a one-sentence driver so direction is known. Objections, arguments, and approvals should be ready to go before the next meeting. Alice pointed out that proposals are important to students and should be read prior to the meeting.

### c. Key Drivers for this year

- Healthcare, graduate housing (survey is currently in the works)

- A member asked about housing and whether there was any data to address students being asked to have 2 different rentals in relation to where they work and where they live. Response was that no question has been asked regarding that issue.
- A member asked for clarification on voting. Response: Decisions will be content-based and a vote will only be used if consent cannot be made. Robert's Rules will be followed.

**V. Announcements**

- The dean asked about minutes and whether the commission will vote on minutes at each meeting.
- The dean will add guidance on the new shared governance system to the Google Folder.

**VI. Adjournment**

- Meeting was moved and seconded to adjourn at 4:06 p.m.