GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION
Executive Board Meeting Agenda
GPSA Office, SU 306
Wednesday, October 28, 2015, 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

ROLL CALL:

Executive Board
Surbhi Sharma, President
Meghan Pierce, Vice President
Terri Thomas, Treasurer
Ariel Rosen, Secretary

In attendance: President Surbhi Sharma, Vice President Meghan Pierce, and Secretary Ariel Rosen

Absent: Treasurer Terri Thomas

Other(s) in attendance: GPSA Manager Becky Boulton

The meeting was called to order by President Sharma at 2:03 PM.

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
   None

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
   Request was made for the approval of the September 23, 2015 meeting minutes. President Sharma asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Vice President Pierce motioned to approve the minutes and Secretary Rosen seconded. The E-Board approved the September 23, 2015 minutes.

3. **SPEAKER(S)**
   None

4. **COMMITTEE REPORT**
   - Board of Regents / Nevada Student Alliance – NSA Goals for 2015-2016 - President Sharma mentioned the NSA is working on a survey to identify problems.
   - GPSA Activities / Community Service – Chair Amanda Prisbrey has emailed Manager Boulton the committee is meeting on November 2nd in the SU office.
   - GPSA Awards – President Sharma mentioned that Becky has made and will post the flyers which are also on the GPSA website.
   - GPSA Bylaws – President and Chair of this committee Sharma noted that this committee has not met yet.
   - GPSA Government Relations – Popcorn sessions w/VP of Government Affairs Luis Valera – Treasurer Terri Thomas sent President Sharma information mentioning that the sessions will start at the February Council meeting and will be 5-10 minutes. The first session will just be general knowledge. At the next E-Board meeting we will figure out the other sessions. Apart from that, NV Legislators’ tours will invite the GPSA E-Board to meet with the legislators. Dean Korgan is starting the grad ambassador program, and she is open to the idea of the E-Board attending the ambassador training workshops. If this happens, President Sharma will add this in the Bylaws.
   - GPSA Publications – Secretary Rosen has distributed a list of students to be featured in the Luminary to highlight their research. Members of the committee are in the process of interviews and will have articles by November 2nd. The committee should have the next edition of the Luminary ready for the New Graduate Student Spring Orientation scheduled for January 15th.
   - GPSA Research Forum – next year’s event held Saturday, March 12, 2016
   - GPSA Sponsorship – Vice President Pierce said the committee reviewed 6 applications last Monday. She conducted 4 Funding Workshops last week, pizza and drinks were served at each one.
COMMITTEE REPORT  (continued)

- Public Safety Advisory Board – no report
- Student Union Advisory Board - Vice President Pierce attended this meeting and reported that with the SU expansion an all-gender bathroom has been put on the suggested to install. Vice President Pierce mentioned she thought it might be unsafe, as the UNLV surrounding area has a homeless population.

5. OLD BUSINESS FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- Review agenda for November 2nd Council meeting
  - Speaker(s) - President Sharma sent out an agenda for the speakers; GPSA Manager Becky Boulton mentioned that perhaps we should ask more speakers from different services (ex. Writing Center) that are available on campus to come to the Council meetings and present.
  - Committee Reports
  - New Business
    - GPA Student Organization recognition - BIOS
  - Old Business item:
    - Bylaw Revisions – Action Item
  - Announcements
  - Council Photo immediately following meeting at 3:15, GPSA Manager Becky Boulton suggested we the GPSA lapel pins immediately before the photo.
- Committee Reports – 2015 - 2016 Council representatives use drop box for their committee assignments’ agenda/minutes. Email notification with link sent to Fall 2015 GPSA Council - GPSA Manager Becky Boulton mentioned this has been completed.
- Branding GPSA – cords, pins, etc. and creating an E-Board induction ceremony for May Council Meeting. Possible entry on Wikipedia - GPSA Manager Becky Boulton is looking at purchasing cords that twine together gray, black, and red colors for May graduation.
- Update GPSA Website
  - Develop “Campus Resource” webpage
    - Include Student Health Insurance information/link
    - On and off campus housing
  - Update “Government Relations” webpage. Transition to “Advocacy”
    - Jean Nidetch Center (Interpersonal Violence and Sexual Assault link

6. NEW BUSINESS FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- New Student Organization: BIOS – President Sharma asked for a motion for to approve the BIOS student group’s constitution and bylaws. Vice President Pierce motioned, Secretary Rosen seconded. The E-Board unanimously voted to approve BIOS constitution and bylaws.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS INFORMATION ONLY

- President Sharma has been corresponding with Provost Rapoport about a $2 increase in the technology fee. The Provost has suggested meeting with President Sharma, although President Sharma has emphasized that to get the E-Board or the Council’s opinion on the fee, we need a document detailing the fee. President Sharma noted to the Provost the Council meets this Monday.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT INFORMATION ONLY

- GPSA Manager Becky Boulton solicited suggestions for Activities Chair Amanda Prisbrey for the mixer. Vice President Pierce said a themed Valentine’s February mixer would be fun. We can include name tags (single/taken) and games, and hold it at PT Pubs like last year. The E-Board agreed.
- GPSA Manager Becky Boulton suggested that we should challenge every representative to get a judge for the research forum, suggestions should be sent to GPSA Manager Becky Boulton and Vice President Pierce.

9. ADJOURNMENT FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

President Sharma called for a motion to adjourn the October 28, 2015 E-Board meeting. Vice President Pierce motioned to adjourn the meeting. Secretary Rosen seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion to adjourn was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:52 pm.