Executive Board

Sharon Young, President
Michael Alires, Vice President
Meghan Pierce, Treasurer
Kirk Talib-Deen, Secretary

Others present: GPSA Manager Rebecca Boulton

President Young called the meeting to order at 8:14 am

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT** - none

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

President Young called for a motion for the approval of the November 14, 2014 and December 12, 2014 Executive Board meeting minutes. Treasurer Pierce motioned to approve the minutes. Vice-President Alires seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

3. **SPEAKER(S)** – none

4. **COMMITTEE REPORT** INFORMATION ONLY

- Board of Regents / Nevada Student Alliance – Stephanie Prevost, NSA Chair, asked each student government for a finance report for expenditures incurred at the March 21, 2011 Budget Cut Rally held in Carson City. GPSA Manager Boulton presented an itemized expense report (see attached report). President Young stated that the NSA had discussed the possibility of holding a rally during NV Education Awareness day, and at the NSA meeting she had discussed the possibility of holding individual or one-on-one meetings with state legislators. The possibility of individual meetings and/or supporting a rally this year will remain open for discussion. The board discussed items for President Young to present at the next NSA meeting: financial support for the rally, the most effective way for council/students to voice concerns, student body enrollment and its affect on funding, etc. The E-Board will discuss at the February 2nd Council meeting GPSA involvement and any financial contribution for the rally.
  - NV Education Awareness Day tentatively scheduled for March 2, 2015. President Young stated although this date conflicts with the GPSA March Council meeting this is the date that NSA has determined as the sole day for this event to be held in Carson City with the possibility of a rally.
  - NSHE Awareness Day – April 14, 2015 – President Young said that this event has been cancelled.

- GPSA Activities / Community Service – The E-Board agreed to cancel the NY Times sponsored event due to the NY Times cancelling their speaker program. GPSA plans to host a Board Game Night in the Grad Commons. This is tentatively set for the beginning of the semester, Thursday, January 29, 2014, at 7:00 pm until closing in the Graduate Student Commons. A notice will go out campus-wide letting the graduate and professional student community know that the Commons will be closed for a hosted event. The board plans to provide snacks and various board games.

Call to order – Roll Call
• GPSA Awards – Treasurer Pierce is waiting to hear back from two committee members. She will be sending out the agenda once the date has been set.
• GPSA Bylaws – President Young is working on the 11.25.14 minutes.
• GPSA Government Relations (see discussion under NSA items)
  ➢ Treasurer Pierce emailed the E-Board the cheat sheets that she had received from Omar Saucedo, NSHE External Affairs Coordinator.
• GPSA Publications – Secretary Talib-deen will send an email reminder to contributing writers: Meghan Pierce, Sharon Young, and Pam Juniel. Submissions need to be sent to GPSA Manager Boulton by Monday, January 26, 2015 so that she can assemble the newsletter and print for distribution at the February 2nd GPSA Council meeting.
• GPSA Research Forum – GPSA Manager Boulton and Vice President Alires discussed the Research Forum.
  Invitations will be sent to President Jessup and Deans, Chairs and Graduate Coordinators. It is estimated that approximately twenty volunteers are needed for the event.
• GPSA Sponsorship – Vice President Alires updated the E-Board on the Spring 2015 sponsorship distribution. 110 applications were awarded out of 122 submissions. The funding allotment for the cycle is $60,325.00. Vice President Alires is working on the 12.07.14 minutes and will send those to Manager Boulton for her to post on the website.
• GPSA Ad Hoc Student Health Insurance – President Young will forward the 12.09.14 minutes to GPSA Manager Boulton. She met with Wells Fargo and the committee is a waiting on quotes. The subsidizing of undergrads was a concern discussed; This affects the graduate & professional students’ cost. Decisions on whether undergraduate students will be included in the mandatory requirement is pending.

5. OLD BUSINESS FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
• Schedule Council meeting invited speakers for Spring 2015 - Dr. Fain. President Young will be sending an email invitation to Dr. Fain.
• Agenda for February Council Meeting – The E-Board will discuss the agenda for the upcoming February Council Meeting at next E-Board meeting.
• It was unanimous that the E-Board meetings will stay at the same scheduled time: Fridays from 8:00 am – 9:00 am

6. NEW BUSINESS - none FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS - none INFORMATION ONLY

8. PUBLIC COMMENT - none INFORMATION ONLY

9. ADJOURNMENT FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
• President Young asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Treasurer Pierce motioned to adjourn. Vice-President Alires seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:58 am.

GPSA Spring 2015 Executive Board Meetings
Graduate Student Commons, SU 306
Fridays 8:00 – 9:00am