ROLL CALL:

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

In attendance: President Surbhi Sharma, Vice President Meghan Pierce and Treasurer Terri Thomas
Others in attendance: GPSA Manager Becky Boulton and past GPSA President Sharon Young

The meeting was called to order by President Sharma at 8:04am.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT – none

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   President Sharma tabled the approval of the May 8th minutes.

3. SPEAKER(S)
   Jinger Zeng, UNLV alumna a former team member of DesertSol introduced a proposal, “RebelChange” an event that she would like to see held on the UNLV campus this fall. Hackathon is a model used on several Top Tier 1 institutions and provides an excellent venue for student to demonstrate their research abilities. Composed of “research teams” this event is a showcase of presentations different from the traditional research approach. Ms. Zeng has spoken with both Vice President of Research and Economic Development Tom Piechota and Vice Provost of Academic Affairs Carl Reiber about this project. From Ms. Zeng’s proposal document: “Rebel Change is organized and produced in a hackathon format, meaning a 24-hour intense problem solving” session”. Registered students propose and idea of an existing issues and/or concern that they have with UNLV and then use the 24 hour period to come up with a working solution. Ms. Zeng stated that she has met with CSUN as well to solicit their participation. She is in hopes that this event will be a collaborative activity between the undergraduate and graduate student population and would like to see it occur this fall. Manager Boulton suggested that Ms. Zeng contact Associate VP of Alumni Relations to assist in the planning efforts.

4. COMMITTEE REPORT
   - Board of Regents / Nevada Student Alliance – the March 11th NSA meeting was cancelled. President Sharma and Past President Sharon Young will travel June 11-12th to the meeting in Reno, NV. President Young will contact Renee
   - PAC – President Sharma attended her first PAC meeting on May 19th. She was introduced by President Young. The Campus climate survey was discussed. The survey is sent out every 2 years. The next survey will be inclusive of graduate students to submit their input.
   - GPSA Activities / Community Service
     - The E-Board discussed potential 2015-2016 activities and community service ideas. GPSA Treasurer Terri Thomas would like to see the GPSA have more of a role in campus and Las Vegas community events, i.e. have a table and/or presence at various events: Festival of Lights, UNLV Premiers, Take Back the Night, Relay for Life, AFAN Aids Walk and other charity walks.
     - President Sharma would like to have a meet & greet ½ hour prior to the first Fall 2015 GPSA Council members. This would provide an informal setting for the GPSA E-Board, Manager and Faculty Advisors to introduce themselves to the incoming council.
• GPSA Bylaws
  ➢ Request for 2.23.15 Committee minutes – Past President Young stated she would have these to the E-Board within the week.
  ➢ Bylaws revisions for May 4th Council meeting – were not finalized. Quorum wasn’t met. President Sharma has will present these bylaw proposals for September 14th GPSA Council meeting.

• GPSA Publications – The E-board discussed newsletter articles for the 2015-2016 year and have indicated which article they will be writing.
  ➢ Welcome Article (Surbhi)
  ➢ Government Relations/Advocacy Article (Terri)
  ➢ Research Forum – updates to event (Meghan)
  ➢ Summer Council recognition
  ➢ “Did you know” article (campus highlights) i.e. UNLV Bookstore 10% discount for Gas, Cell phone ban for campus driving, no smoking zones, legislative bill - guns on campus
  ➢ Safety training opportunities, i.e. “Girls on Guard”
  ➢ Mandatory Student Health Insurance insert
  ➢ Fall calendar
  ➢ Fall workshops
  ➢ Changes in the Grad Commons, i.e. new computers and computer support staff: Dave Montgomery & John Pak (Becky)

• GPSA Research Forum
  ➢ May 22nd @ 10:00am meeting w/Graduate College, CSUN and the Office of Undergraduate Research & Scholarship to discuss integrating undergraduate research in the Friday, March 11th event. A report regarding the meeting’s outcome will be made by Vice President and Manager Boulton at the next E-Board meeting.

• GPSA Sponsorship
  ➢ 5 Emergency applications have been submitted for review (deadline of May 20th) – Treasurer Pierce noted that she will make an announcement at the June 1st Council meeting to request reps to serve on the Summer Sponsorship Committee. From there she will schedule a mutually conducive time to meet.

• GPSA Ad Hoc Student Health Insurance
  ➢ Request for 12.09.14 Committee minutes – Past President Young stated she would have these to the E-Board within the week. Past President Young mentioned she will schedule a meeting w/Lorraine Brown, Assistant Business Manager, Student Wellness Center and President Sharma to discuss the ongoing student health insurance policy. So that President Sharma is up-to date with the proposed insurance rates and the general policy for the upcoming year.

5. OLD BUSINESS FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
• Set agenda for June 1st Council meeting
  ➢ Speakers – President Sharma has invited Dr. Liam Frink – Director, Undergraduate Office of Research and Sharon Young Program Manager Undergraduate Office of Research to speak at the June 1st Council meeting. They have confirmed they will be present.
  ➢ Old Business item: From the Provost Office Credit Card Convenience Fee.
    o Create survey form for representative’s to distribute to constituents – How else can representatives vet with their Colleges / Departments?? This item will be discussed at a later meeting date.
  ➢ Committee Reports under Publications – President Sharma will ask Council reps at the June 1st meeting to write articles for August newsletter and for story ideas
  ➢ Summer Council Representatives – GPSA Manager stated that there are 3 vacancies remaining on the Council, Schools of Nursing, Law and Dental School.
  ➢ Summer E-Board Office hours – The E-Board were in agreement to hold off on having E-Board office hours. Each E-Board members contact information is available on the website for each accessibility.
Plan 2015 – 2016 GPSA events
  ➢ Network with the Alumni Association, work with GPSA Faculty Advisor Peter Gray – this will be discussed at a later meeting date.
  ➢ September 14th Council Meeting – meet & greet ½ hour prior to Council meeting. Discussed under Committee Reports, Activities and Committees

Schedule 2015 – 2016 GPSA Council Speakers – The E-Board worked on creating a list of potential speakers for the upcoming academic year (see attachment).

Outline 2015 – 2016 Goals - The E-Board worked on creating a list of potential GPSA Goals for the upcoming academic year (see attachment). President Sharman stated that this document will be shared at the June 1st Council meeting for the reps input. This is a working document and will be voted on at the August 6th Council meeting to be proposed to the Fall Council members.

Review 2015 – 2016 Council PPT Orientation - This will be discussed at a later meeting date.

Review Fall 2015 New Graduate Student Orientation PPT - This will be discussed at a later meeting date.

6. NEW BUSINESS FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Schedule meeting to interview applicant(s): 2015-2016 GPSA Secretary Position. Application deadline June 1st – President Sharma noted that she will like to have the interviews completed within a week or two after the deadline and that the new Secretary should be in office by the July 6th Council meeting.

Schedule E-Board meetings – President Sharma will be scheduling these meetings with the Graduate College Dean and UNLV President after the new Secretary takes office.
  ➢ Graduate College Dean Korgan
  ➢ President Len Jessup

Preferred Email address for E-Board correspondence – The E-Board was in agreement that the UNLV mail email address will be used for GPSA correspondence and business cards rather than their RebelMail accounts.

E-Board select Graduate College Committee – the E-Board made their selections. Once the GPSA Secretary is on-board and made their selection this information will be sent to the Graduate College.

Moving flag poles for Commencement pickup: Wed., May 13th @ 10am (meet at the storage pod directly behind the UNLV Bookstore) and returning on: Tues., May 19th @ 10am (meet at the TMC tunnel, west side of building)

E-Board subscribe to NSHE news and Familiarize yourself with UNLV Top Tier Initiatives

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS - none INFORMATION ONLY

8. PUBLIC COMMENT - none INFORMATION ONLY

9. ADJOURNMENT FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

President Sharma called for a motion to adjourn the E-board meeting. Treasurer Thomas motioned to adjourn the meeting. Vice-President Pierce seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion to adjourn was unanimous. The E-board meeting adjourned at 10:03am.

GPSA Summer 2015 Executive Board Meetings
Graduate Student Commons, LLB 2141
Wednesdays 9:00 – 10:00 am