



The UNLV Graduate & Professional Student Association

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

NOTICE OF PUBLIC

MEETING

GPSA COUNCIL MEETING 43-01

Minutes for approval

THURSDAY, MAY 4TH, 2023

5:30-7:00 PM

HYBRID PUBLIC MEETING:

IN PERSON: University Gateway Building (GTW)

Second floor, Gather Meeting Room

4700 S Maryland Pkwy, Las Vegas, NV 89119, USA

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2022-2023 COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

College	Department	Name	Attendance
Lee Business School:	Accounting	Jenna Sauer	X
	Business Administration	Janelle Yasukochi	X
	Economics	Anthony Castro	X
	Management, Entrepreneurship & Tech.	Redwan Ahmed Nahian	A
Dental Medicine:	Dental Medicine	Tyler Pisciotta	E
College of Education:	Counselor Ed, School Psych., & Human Serv.	VACANT	
	Early Childhood, Multilingual & Spec. Ed	VACANT	
	Teaching & Learning	Claudia Chiang-Lopez	X
	Educational Psychology & Higher Education	Jennifer Fletcher	X
College of Engineering:	Civil & Environmental Engineering	Gabson Baguma	X
	Computer Science	Sai Phani Krishna Parsa	A
	Electrical & Computer Engineering	Olufemi Olubode	A
	Mechanical Engineering	Devin Krystek	X
College of Fine Arts:	Architecture	Ashley Medina	A
	Art	Karla Lagunas	X
	Film	VACANT	
	Music	VACANT	

College	Department	Name	Attendance
	Theatre	Leah Procita	X
College of Hospitality:	Hospitality & Hotel Administration	Jaimi Garlington	X
Integrated Health Sciences:	Health Physics & Diagnostic Sciences	Gregory Gill	X
	Kinesiology & Nutrition Sciences	Alan Garcia	X
	Physical Therapy	Bailey Gosse	X
	Brain Health	Amber Eddy	X
Boyd School of Law:	Law	Avery Laub	X
College of Liberal Arts:	Anthropology	Emily Edmonds	X
	English	Carlos Tkacz	X
	History	Analiesa Delgado	A
	Political Science	Devin Lopez	X
	Psychology	Tra Bui	X
	Sociology	Vincent Fuentes	X
	World Languages & Cultures	Cynthia Enriquez	A
School of Medicine:	Couple & Family Therapy	Darlyn Magana	A
	Medicine	Stephanie Wang	X
School of Nursing:	Nursing	VACANT	
School of Public Health:	Environmental & Occupational Health	Emylia Terry	X
	Healthcare Administration & Policy	Ernest Cornejo	X
	Epidemiology & Biostatistics	Amruta Godbole	X
	Social & Behavioral Health	Ravi Batra	A
College of Urban Affairs:	Communication Studies	Will Ingelson	X
	Criminal Justice	Jordyn Sanders	X

College	Department	Name	Attendance
	Journalism & Media Studies	Anne Davis	X
	Public Policy & Leadership	Kaylee O'Donnell	X
	Social Work	Keva Francis	X
College of Sciences:	Chemistry & Biochemistry	Chandler Hassan	A
	Geoscience	Sierra Ramsey	X
	Life Sciences	Heather Whetstone <i>Proxy: Anthony Lomando</i>	X
	Mathematical Sciences	Jorge Reyes	X
	Physics & Astronomy	Rachel Ellis	A

*Members may have been appointed by their department between the time of agenda posting and the meeting. All other members present will be available in the Minutes and listed below.

Members-at-Large Present:

David

Members of the Public Present:

AGENDA

1) CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order 5:36 pm on May 4th 2023

2) PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION ONLY

(See foregoing notation regarding public comment)

ALAN Garcia- joining virtually because he is working at graduate commons

ROLL CALL

Executive bored Evan Falkenthal Fa not present(he's on a flight)

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Request is made for approval of minutes of previous meetings.

3a) CONSENT AGENDA:

- i) Minutes for the April 2023 (42-09) Council Meeting as emailed out and posted to the public [GPSA Drive](#).

Unanimous approval of minutes, 0 nay votes

4) REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

INFORMATION ONLY

4a) GPSA Executive Board & Committees

- President
 - Welcome new Executive Board!
 - New Info for All Colleges!
 - Access to supplemental dental/vision healthcare
 - <https://unlvgin.myahpcare.com/>
 - Summer tuition waiver (up to 3 credits) for GAs
 - Available to GAs with a preceding spring contract and subsequent fall GA contract. Email GradFinancialSvc@unlv.edu to claim this benefit.
 - First Call for President's Cabinet (second call in June)
 - Term is end of July 2023 – May 2024
 - Includes- outreach and communications
 - Communications and making
 - Legislative affair
 - Not sure how many positions are available or how much funding will be allocated
- Vice President
 - Call for new members to Sponsorship Committee (\$100 stipend per semester)

- New members will begin June 1st (training provided prior)
- Sponsorship Budget increase for remainder of fiscal year (May, June cycles)
 - 366 applications have been receiving since godson too over
 - 285 funded applications
 - \$293,180.93 worth of scholarships
 - Changes were made in the past few years like policy and how things where funded
 - Former vice president gives special thanks to past and present sponsorship committee members and
 - Godson relieves round of applause
 - President notes:
 - New members of sponsorship committee will be recruited for next year
 - The first call will occur during this meeting
- Treasurer
- ii) Former treasurer Drue Sac gives outgoing remarks
 - Budget Report – expenditures and revenue
 - Current treasure Teresa gives budget reports
 - April revenue was \$1337.76 We've started to receive our 25-dollar fee, per student for summer fees that are coming in for those taking classes. General operations revenue was \$11512.23
 - Wages and fines \$20,711.51
 - Travel – \$15955.90
 - Overall main account was \$50,599.49
 - Scholarship for April \$89,859.08
- Secretary
 - Outgoing remarks from Rosedavia the former secretary
 - New secretary comments
 - Need list of Council members planning to return for Summer 2023/Fall 2023
 - Email gpsasecretary@unlv.edu with questions about Council, Committees, or the President's Cabinet

4b) GPSA Business Manager & Advisor

This item will be used for updates provided by the GPSA Business Manager & Advisor. No action will be taken on these items.

- Announce Executive Board training retreat, May 25 - 26
 - Nia the GPSA Manager mentions executive retreat will be held at mount Charleston. The purpose of this retreat is to provide new Eboard with Training and major operation preparation

- Adoption of Constant Contact license for Division of Communications and Marketing
- Cap & Gown Program Update
 - 95 students utilized the program this spring semester. They will be picking up gown this week and next
- Departing reps' recognition by GPSA manager
 - President gives thanks and cards

4c) UNLV Campus-Wide Committees

(Representatives serving on any external committee on GPSA behalf may use this time to provide updates)

No updates at this time

4d) UNLV Departments/ Units

- Updates from Graduate College- Dean Alyssa Crittenden and Associate Dean Valarie Burke
 - Valarie Burke
 - Finalizing commencement program
 - No tickets for commencement – first come first serve
 - Grade academy experiencing changes- some programs are being revamp
 - Financial wellness center proposed by vice president in the grad academy
- Department/ College Updates

No updates at this time

5) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Unfinished Business is any motion or action item that was under discussion and was postponed or moved to this meeting at the discretion of the public body as approved by the chair.

None.

6) NEW BUSINESS

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

New business is any motion that is new to this meeting. All items will be for possible action unless otherwise stated.

6a) Appointment of Summer Council

President Thomas requests time for the discussion and appointment of the GPSA 2023 Summer Council. The GPSA Summer Council consists of one voting representative from each academic school or college. All other members shall be considered members-at-large (non-voting). All summer representatives must be either enrolled in summer credits or intending to enroll in credits for the upcoming fall semester. Non-degree seeking students are accepted with department approval. All members will serve as the representative for the School or College in which their department is housed.

- 2 new options for moving forward
 - a) More positions per department and suspension of summer council law that only allows for one member for each college
 - b) Each college must establish a caucus vote for one representative
- There will be 3 meetings for the semester- 1 per month
Motion to suspend article 2 section b: Some of the representatives at the April council meeting nominations shall be requested from each academic school and department for each respective college. During the summer sessions GPSA shall accept nominations for 1 week, nomination shall be voted upon the major GPSA council meeting by Council upon the event of a typo and the council E board member shall pass the deciding folks.
- Motion to suspended seconded by Treasurer Teresa Marie
 - a) Motion unanimously approved
- Doodle poll will be sent out to see which day of the week is best for meeting
- Item closed 6:23 pm

- Lee Business School-
- Dental Medicine-
- College of Education-
- College of Engineering-
- College of Fine Arts-
- College of Hospitality-
- School of Integrated Health Sciences -
- Boyd School of Law-
- College of Liberal Arts-
- School of Medicine -
- School of Nursing-

- School of Public Health –
- College of Urban Affairs –
- College of Sciences –

6b) Appointment of Summer Committee Members

President Thomas requests time for discussion and appointment of members to GPSA Committees active over the summer. The following committees will continue their operations over the summer term.

(1) Sponsorship Committee

- a. Many members have expressed interest in the sponsorship committee for the upcoming summer semester
- b. Interested parties include: Ravi Batra, Vincent Fuentes, , Stephanie, Gabson Beguma,

(2) Ways & Means

- a. Interested includes Stephanie Wang, Carla Vazquez, Cuba Francis, Jordan Sanders, Devin Lopez, Olufemi Olubode

(3) Motion to approve interested names

(4) Motion seconded

- a. Unanimous approval-0 Nays

7) ANNOUNCEMENTS

INFORMATION ONLY

i) Graduate College Commencement- May 12th @ 4pm (Thomas & Mack)

- Volunteers would be appreciated- those who want to volunteer should email Valery Burke. GPSA volunteers will wear specific commencement polos
- No other announcement at this time

8) PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION ONLY

(See foregoing notation regarding public comment)

No public comment

9) ADJOURNMENT

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Meeting adjourned at 6:38pm