



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Graduate & Professional Student Association

GPSA COUNCIL MEETING 46-01

Thursday, May 7th, 2026

5:30 PM

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This meeting is held in compliance with Nevada’s Open Meeting Law (NRS Chapter 241.020). The agenda was posted at least three working days in advance, no later than 9:00 AM, and includes all items scheduled for discussion or action. Posting locations include: GPSA Office (CHB-C 111, exterior public bulletin board), Graduate Commons (LLB 2141), Lied Library 1st floor public bulletin board, and GPSA Website <https://www.unlv.edu/gpsa/agendas>. This meeting is held to conduct the official business of the graduate student government, including governance decisions, advocacy efforts, information dissemination, and to provide the public with updates and reports related to GPSA operations.

Meeting Format & Supporting Materials

This is a hybrid meeting. A quorum of voting members shall convene in person and online via Zoom, with public remote access available via YouTube livestream or telephonic participation via Zoom dial-in. For questions or accommodations contact the GPSA Secretary at gpsasecretary@unlv.edu. All materials related to this meeting are available online or upon request from the GPSA Office. Please contact gpsasecretary@unlv.edu for access.

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1. **Email:** Submit written public comment to gpsa@unlv.edu.
Subject Line: “PUBLIC COMMENT” and include the meeting type and meeting number (i.e. PUBLIC COMMENT for GPSA Council 46-01). Emails must be sent no later than 5PM the business day before the meeting.
2. **In-Person:** At the beginning or end of the meeting (limit: 2 minutes)
3. **Voicemail:** Call 702-895-5674 (limit: 120 seconds)

Public comments may be read aloud or summarized at the discretion of the Chair, subject to time constraints. Public Comments must be relevant to GPSA agenda items, be respectful, and cannot contain profanity or discriminatory language. GPSA may refuse comments that are obscene, slanderous, or disruptive per NRS 241.020 and NRS 241.023.

VOTING MEMBERS OF GPSA COUNCIL

Included in official agenda Roll Call; voting members count toward quorum.

2025-2026 EXECUTIVE BOARD (Term Expired, Non-Voting)

PRESIDENT	VICE PRESIDENT	TREASURER	SECRETARY
<input type="checkbox"/> Devin Lopez	<input type="checkbox"/> Alicia Carr	<input type="checkbox"/> Olalekan Balogun	<input type="checkbox"/> Laurencia Bonsu

2026-2027 EXECUTIVE BOARD (Voting Members)

PRESIDENT	VICE PRESIDENT	TREASURER	SECRETARY
<input type="checkbox"/> Trey Curtis-Brown	<input type="checkbox"/> Nehemiah Chukwuere	<input type="checkbox"/> Kalyani Ganapathireddy	<input type="checkbox"/> Rachel DeWald

SPRING 2026 COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES*

**Council Representatives not listed or appointed after this agenda was publicly posted will be recorded in the meeting minutes.*

38 Representatives appointed as of May 1st, 2026

COLLEGE	COUNCIL SEAT	REPRESENTATIVE	ATTENDANCE (P) In-Person (V) Virtual (E) Excused (A) Absent
Lee Business School	Department of Accounting	Andrea Chafloque	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Economics	Prince Amfo Wiafe	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Finance		<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Information Systems	Chiebuka Okoro	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	MBA Programs, Business Administration		<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
School of Dental Medicine	Dental Medicine	Cole Dayton	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
College of Education	Department of Counselor Education, School Psychology, and Human Services	Donavan Ross	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)

Department of Early Childhood, Multilingual, and Special Education	Jessica Alley	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
Department of Educational Psychology, Leadership, & Higher Education	Linh Le	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
Department of Teaching & Learning		<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)

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Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering	Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering and Construction	Aderemi Gbadamosi	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Computer Science	Sabrina Wallace PROXY: Yash Devkota	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering		<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Mechanical Engineering		<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
College of Fine Arts	School of Architecture	Gavyn Silva	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Art	Cameron Murrin	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Film		<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	School of Music		<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Theatre	Nick Case	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)

William F. Harrah College of Hospitality	Department of Hospitality Management	Megan Scholl	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
School of Integrated Health Sciences	Occupational Therapy Program	Stephanie Apodaca	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Health Physics and Diagnostic Sciences	Kristine Haley	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Kinesiology and Nutrition Sciences	Heather Tran	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Physical Therapy		<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
William S. Boyd School of Law	Law	David Elder	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)

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College of Liberal Arts	Department of Anthropology		<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of English	Lauren Gleave	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of History		<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Political Science	Bianca Martins de Oliveira	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Psychology	Talha Soluoku	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Sociology	Christian Casarez	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of World Languages and Cultures	Katherine Melbourne	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
Kirk Kerkorian School of Medicine	Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Health	Cristy Correa-Davis	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Medicine	Michael Karo	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
School of Nursing	Nursing	Laura Chechel	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
School of Public Health	Department of Environmental and Occupational Health	Salome Ogbuleka	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)

Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics	Md Maksudul (Jion) Alam	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
Department of Healthcare Administration and Policy		<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
Department of Social and Behavioral Health	Refat Srejon	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)

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College of Sciences	Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry	Jennifer Napoles	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Geoscience	Sierra Ramsey	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	School of Life Sciences	Declan West	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Mathematical Sciences	Chinonso Unegbu	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Physics and Astronomy		<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
Greenspun College of Urban Affairs	Department of Communication Studies		<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Department of Criminal Justice	Elisha Longoria	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	Hank Greenspun School of Journalism and Media Studies	Leena Atout	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	School of Public Policy and Leadership	Tyler da Silva	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)

	School of Social Work	Miranda Cameron	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
Graduate College Interdiscipli nary Graduate Programs	IGP - Master's & Certificates	Anne Poole	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)
	IGP – Doctoral Programs	Katherine (Katie) Bricarell	<input type="checkbox"/> (P) <input type="checkbox"/> (V) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (A)

NON-VOTING MEMBERS OF GPSA COUNCIL

NOT included in official agenda Roll Call; non-voting. May provide reports or updates.

2025-2026 MEMBERS-AT-LARGE

**Members-at-Large serve the Association as a whole, representing the general membership by contributing to GPSA-related committees, developing initiatives, structuring events, or providing input. Members appointed after this agenda was posted will be recorded in the meeting minutes upon request. Members-at-Large are not required to attend Council Meetings.*

2025-2026 PRESIDENT’S CABINET

Division of Communications & Marketing	Division of Engagement & Outreach	Division of Legislative Affairs	Division of Operations	Division of Sponsored Funding
DIRECTOR	DIRECTOR	DIRECTOR	ATTORNEY GENERAL	DIRECTOR
<input type="checkbox"/> Trexy Dunnam	<input type="checkbox"/> Ariadna Gutierrez	<input type="checkbox"/> Blanca Peña	<input type="checkbox"/> Hieu Le	<input type="checkbox"/> Alicia Carr
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR	ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR	ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR	HISTORIAN	ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR
<i>Vacant</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> David King	<input type="checkbox"/> Tyler DeLorenzo	<input type="checkbox"/> Baylor Akhavan-Mora	<i>Vacant</i>

2026-2027 PRESIDENT'S CABINET*

*2025-2026 President's Cabinet members are hired on through the end of the Spring semester (May 15th). A 2026-2027 President's Cabinet has not yet been appointed.

GPSA FACULTY ADVISORS & LIAISONS (NON-VOTING)

NOT included in official agenda Roll Call; non-voting. May provide reports or updates.

2025-2026 GPSA FACULTY ADVISORS

- Academic Faculty Advisor**, Dr. Bill Robinson
- Academic Faculty Advisor**, Dr. John Colombo
- Academic Faculty Advisor (Ex Officio)**, Dr. Alyssa Crittenden
- Administrative Faculty Advisor (Ex Officio)**, Virginia Smercina, GPSA Manager

GRADUATE COLLEGE LIAISON(S)

- Dante Washington, GA Program Coordinator & Advocate

AGENDA

This meeting will conduct the transition of leadership from the 2025-2026 to 2026-2027 Executive Boards. 2025-2026 President Devin Lopez will Chair the meeting for items 1 and 2. Upon completion of the Oath of Office, the 2026-2027 Executive Board will assume all Council leadership duties for the remainder of the agenda.

1) CALL TO ORDER

2) TRANSITION OF GPSA OFFICERS AND OATH OF OFFICE

2025-2026 GPSA President Devin Lopez will administer the Oath of Office to the elected members of the 2026-2027 Executive Board and officially transition the duties of Council Chair to 2026-2027 President Trey Curtis-Brown.

Nevada Oath of Office:

“I, **[Full Name]**, do solemnly swear that I will support, protect and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States, and the Constitution and government of the State of Nevada, against all enemies, whether domestic or foreign, and that I will bear true faith, allegiance and loyalty to the same, any ordinance, resolution or law of any state notwithstanding, and that I will well and faithfully perform all the duties of the office of **[GPSA (President/Vice President/Treasurer/Secretary)]**, on which I am about to enter; so help me God.”

5 Minutes

3) ROLL CALL

Roll call will be administered by 2026-2027 Secretary Rachel DeWald.

5 Minutes

4) PUBLIC COMMENT (INFORMATION ONLY)

Approximately 10 Minutes

Public comment will be taken during this agenda item. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter is included on an agenda as an item on which action may be taken. Comments will be limited to three minutes per person. Persons making comment will be asked to begin by stating their name for the record and to spell their last name. The Board Chair may elect to allow additional public comment on a specific agenda item when that agenda item is being considered.

In accordance with Attorney General Opinion No. 00-047, as restated in the Attorney General’s Open Meeting Law Manual, the Chair may prohibit comment if the content of that comment is a

topic that is not relevant to, or within the authority of, the Body, or if the content is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers.

5) CONSENT AGENDA (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

5 Minutes

Consent agenda items will be approved in whole unless a member objects to an item on the consent agenda, in whole or in part. Unanimous consent will be used for the approval of the consent agenda. An individual item may be pulled from the Consent Agenda for consideration by any member by request to the Chair.

- a) **Approval of Minutes.** Minutes for Council Meeting 45-11 (April 2nd, 2026) will be considered for approval. Minutes are uploaded to the [GPSA Google Drive](#) and are also sent to the Council.
- b) **Appointment of Committee Members.** Declared candidates for committee seats will be considered for approval. Names will be announced during the meeting to fill both internal GPSA and external Graduate College, UNLV, and/or NSHE committees. Representatives will have an opportunity to self-nominate for a committee during New Business.
 - i. Internal Committees: **No nominations at time of agenda posting.**
 - ii. External Committees: **No nominations at time of agenda posting.**

6) REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS (INFORMATION ONLY)

30 Minutes

Members of the Executive Board, President's Cabinet, the Business Manager, Faculty Advisors, internal Committee Chairs, external Committee Representatives, and the Graduate College will report to the GPSA Council concerning UNLV related issues or events important to the UNLV graduate and professional student body. Council Representatives may also present, at the discretion of the Chair, any information specific to their Department and/or Unit. No immediate action may be taken on items raised under Reports & Recommendations unless properly scheduled as an agenda item.

- c) **Executive Board**
 - i President Curtis-Brown
 - ii Vice President Chukwuere
 - iii Treasurer Ganapathireddy

iv Secretary DeWald

d) President's Cabinet

i Director of Communications & Marketing

ii Director of Engagement & Outreach

iii Director of Legislative Affairs

iv Division of Operations:

(1) Attorney General

(2) Historian

c) GPSA Business Manager & Advisor

d) GPSA Faculty Advisors

i GPSA Faculty Advisor Dr. Bill Robinson

ii GPSA Faculty Advisor Dr. John Colombo

e) GPSA Committee Reports

i Standing Committees:

- Ways and Means:
- Sponsorship:
- Constitution and Bylaws:
- Elections Commission:
- Rules & Ethics:
- Awards:

f) UNLV Campus-Wide Committees

i Representatives serving on any external committee on behalf of GPSA may use this time to provide updates.

g) UNLV Departments/ Units

i Graduate College

ii Council Representatives may provide updates from their individual departments.

6) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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. **All items will be for possible action unless otherwise stated.**

No unfinished business.

7) NEW BUSINESS

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

Approximately 60 Minutes

a) **Campus Partner Presentation: Rebel Rebound** (INFORMATION ONLY)

The Chair will recognize Elgin Loftin from [Rebel Rebound](#) for a presentation regarding the program's use of GPSA funds throughout Fiscal Year 2026. In addition to financial assistance, Rebel Rebound serves as a point of contact and resource for justice-impacted students. Rebel Rebound will request financial assistance in Fiscal Year 2027, of which amount will be noted in the minutes.

10 Minutes

b) **Campus Partner Presentation: Project Wellness** (INFORMATION ONLY)

The Chair will recognize a member of Project Wellness – a UNLV RSO dedicated to improving the general mental wellness of the student body – for a presentation regarding a request for GPSA funding in the 2026-2027 budget. Project Wellness will request financial assistance in Fiscal Year 2027, of which amount will be noted in the minutes.

10 Minutes

c) **Campus Partner Presentation: Office of the Ombuds** (INFORMATION ONLY)

The Chair will recognize David Schwartz – UNLV Ombuds – for a presentation regarding the resources offered by the [Office of the Ombuds](#) for graduate and professional students at UNLV. The Ombuds is a space for interpersonal and institutional conflict resolution. Mediation through the Ombuds is confidential and non-binding.

10 Minutes

d) **R46-01: A Resolution in Support of Nevada Graduate Assistants and the Unionization Efforts**

The Chair will request time for the discussion and consideration for possible action Resolution 46-01 “A Resolution in Support of Nevada Graduate Assistants and the Unionization Efforts”. This resolution calls on local, state, and NSHE leaders to

recognize the Academic Workers of Nevada – United Auto Workers (AWN-UAW; formerly NGSW-UAW) as the collective bargaining unit for graduate assistants and postdoctoral scholars across NSHE.

The Resolution is in line with previous years of the GPSA’s advocacy for unionization ([R45-01](#)) in addition to the supermajority of Graduate Assistants having signed union authorization cards. The Resolution, if adopted, will dedicate GPSA’s resources to state lobbying efforts in the 2027 legislative session to enshrine GAs’ right to collective bargaining in state law.

([Ref. 46-01a: Resolution Draft](#))

15 Minutes

e) Bylaws Revision: Article III, Standing Committees and Appointments

The Chair will recognize Constitution & Bylaws Committee Chair Lopez for discussion and for possible action revisions to Article III of the GPSA Bylaws.

Current Bylaws Article III lacks sufficient information for the formation of committees and the appointment of voting members. Proposed revisions to Article III will modernize the committee appointment process while providing clear guidelines for the appointment of Council Representatives to external committees. The proposed revisions are recommended by the Constitution & Bylaws Committee.

The following revisions will be considered:

1. **Section I:** Clarifies the timeline for appointing members to the GPSA’s standing committees in addition to the Council approval requirement for committee appointments. Provides priority to Council Representatives to serve on GPSA standing committees. Clarifies the method of committee Chair and Vice Chair appointment. Clarifies the duties of Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs. Establishes that committee recommendations require approval of the GPSA Council.
2. **Section II:** Removes redundant language relating to committee agenda postings and aligns committee meetings with Nevada Open Meeting Law. Provides for a meeting location for committees. Establishes standard Order of Business for committee meetings. Establishes grounds for committee member removal.
3. **Section III:** Removes old standing committees no longer in use by the GPSA (Activities/Community Service, Publications, Government Relations). Establishes standing committees that had not yet been written into the Bylaws (Rules & Ethics, Ways & Means).
4. **Section IV:** Minor grammatical revision. Aligns Ad Hoc Committees with Open Meeting Law. Streamlines Ad Hoc Committee formation and requires

written notices to be sent by the President to the Council. The Council may request an Ad Hoc Committee to be approved by vote.

5. **Section V (NEW):** Establishes the appointment process for non-GPSA committees within the Graduate College and UNLV-wide. Provides for the Graduate College and UNLV-wide committees with GPSA representation as of the 2025-2026 academic year. Provides priority placement for Council representatives.
6. **Section VI (NEW):** Establishes appointment process for members on search committees, including UNLV and NSHE executive offices as well as College/School Deans. For UNLV and NSHE Executive search committees, GPSA Officers are given priority. For Dean searches, the Council's departmental representatives from the affected College/School are given priority.

The Council may approve the full set of revisions, approve one or a specified set of Sections, or postpone the item to a future meeting. Amendments may be offered during the meeting.

[\(Ref. 46-01b: Proposed Article III Revisions\)](#)

10 Minutes

f) Summer Council Nominations

The Chair will request time for the discussion and for possible action the appointment of Summer Council members.

The Summer Council is an abbreviated delegation with only one appointed representative per College or School. Nominations were accepted throughout April.

Seats with only one nomination will be considered for immediate appointment by voice vote.

For contested seats, the Council will need to determine the method of election. Possible election methods include:

1. A roll call vote of the full Council,
2. A roll call vote of representatives within the respective College/School,
3. Voting through a Google Form, using either methods 1 or 2 above, and with the form to be closed by a specified date and time.

If a seat has no nominations, the Chair will request a nomination from the Council on a first-come first-served basis.

[\(Ref. 46-01c: Nomination List\)](#)

15 Minutes

g) Budget Amendment: Sponsorship Request for an Additional \$10,000

The Chair will recognize Alicia Carr, outgoing GPSA Vice President, for discussion and for possible action a budget amendment. The Sponsorship Committee requests an additional \$10,000 to cover applications in recent months which received funding-eligible scores but which could not be covered due to financial constraints.

The proposed budget amendment would move \$10,000 from the GPSA Discretionary Fund (line 26 of the budget sheet) into the Sponsorship Program (line 151). The current Discretionary Fund for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2026 is \$12,566.25. A majority vote of the Council will authorize the release of funds for such purpose.

The Council may choose the following:

1. Vote to adopt the \$10,000 amendment
2. Vote to adopt the amendment at a reduced value
3. Postpone this decision to the June meeting

[\(Ref. 46-01d: Fiscal Year 2026 Operating Budget\)](#)

10 Minutes

h) Call for Committee Members

The Chair will request time to discuss and take possible action on committee appointments. Members of the Council may self-nominate for any current vacancy.

5 Minutes

i) Call for New Business Items

Items for consideration at future meetings may be suggested. Discussion is limited to description and clarification of the subject matter of the item, including the reasons for the request; emergency items added at the discretion of the Chair ([GPSA Bylaws](#) Article IV, Sec.3).

5 Minutes

8) ANNOUNCEMENTS

INFORMATION ONLY

- Summer Council members: be on the lookout for a scheduling tool from the new Executive Board to determine which dates/times work best for the June, July, and August Council meetings.
- Have a wonderful summer break! Thank you all for your work and advocacy over the past year.

9) PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION ONLY

(See foregoing notation regarding public comment)

10) ADJOURNMENT