Iowa State University

Graduate & Professional Student Senate

GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SENATE
Meeting Agenda

Monday, November 10th 2014; 7:00 PM
2532 Veterinary Medicine

I. Call to Order 7:00 PM
  i. Roll Call
  ii. Statement of a Quorum by the Vice-President
  iii. Approval of Meeting Notes
  iv. Amendments to the agenda
II. Introduction of New Bills and Resolutions
  i. SB-F14-10 Awarding PAGs Based on Travel Month
  ii. SB-F14-11 Awarding High Priority PAG Applications Immediately and Conducting a Lottery for Low Priority Applications with the remaining funds
  iii. SB-F14-12 PAGs Maintaining the Same Level of Students Supported
  iv. SB-F14-13 Socials Line Item Allocation for Social Event
  v. SB-F14-14 Sponsor Lecture from Adam Ruben
III. Open Forum
  i. Peter Englin, Director, Department of Residence
  ii. Nancy Keller, Director, Campus Dining Services
IV. Senate Forum
  i. Hillary Kletscher, GSB President
V. Remarks and Reports
  i. Report of the President – President Arko Mukherjee
  ii. Report of the Vice President and Rules Committee – Vice President Zachary Zenko
  iii. Report of the Treasurer and Finance Committee – Treasurer Timothy Rakitan
  iv. Report of the CIO and Elections Committee – CIO Sneha Singh
  v. Report of the URLA Chair and URLA Committee – URLA Chair Ruchir Goswami
  vi. Report of the PAF Chair and the PAF Committee – PAF Chair Cory Kleinheksel
  vii. Report of the GSB-Senator at Large
VI. Unfinished Business
  i. None
VII. New Business
  i. SB-F14-10 Awarding PAGs Based on Travel Month
  ii. SB-F14-11 Awarding High Priority PAG Applications Immediately and Conducting a Lottery for Low Priority Applications with the remaining funds

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VIII.   Announcements

  IX.   Adjournment

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Meeting Notes

Monday, October 27th, 2014;
7:00 PM
South Ballroom, Memorial Union

X.   Call to Order 7:03 PM

    i.   Roll Call - 44/72
    ii.   Statement of a Quorum by the Vice-President
    iii. Approval of Meeting Notes – approved by unanimous consent
    iv.   Amendments to the agenda

XI.   Introduction of New Bills and Resolutions

    i.   SB-F14-09 – Fall 2014 Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS) Regular Allocations

XII. Open Forum

    i.   Michael Crum, Vice President for Economic Development and Industry Relations
1. Thank you for the invitation
2. The office of VP for Economic Development and Industry Relations has very broad scope
3. Today's focus: Culture of entrepreneurship
4. Economic development with focus on state of Iowa
5. Can we make it easier for our partners to work with us?
6. Our economic development efforts are decentralized, therefore we need to consolidation for efficiency
7. Our mission is to be the Portal to connect with the university
8. Research enterprise in the campus
9. Lot of equipment for research which now is rented out to others.
10. Workforce development for external stakeholders.
11. Brought together all groups working on outreach (CITRL, Pappajohn Center etc.)
12. Report directly to President
13. Support Research Park expansion currently about 60 organizations and 1500 employees.
14. 200 more acres for research park
15. Cultivate spirit of entrepreneurs and innovation
16. Think about your impact on the society, and financial impact.
17. Creating self-sustaining entrepreneurship ecosystem.

18. Recommendations from a previous committee/Task Force:
    a. Resources available through internet-as a first step
    b. Courses which encourage business plans
    c. Need more mentors and coaches for startups
    d. Pulling in alumni as mentors
    e. Get serial entrepreneurs for invited lectures for inspiration
    f. Early stage funding: mostly from off campus, alumni etc.

  ii. Joined by Lisa Lorenzen
      1. Her office: Tech transfer office
      2. Protect innovation, help corporates, license technology.
      3. Help in starting up the start up using a commercialization plan.

ii. Elaine Newell, Ombudsperson
   i. Here since 2008
   ii. It's a resource for not only faculty, and staff but for graduate students as well.
   iii. It's a helpdesk, for situations wherein you don't know what to do.
   iv. It helps you in figuring out all your options after looking through all the policies which might be applicable.
   v. People sometime just come for feedback.
   vi. It's confidential.
   vii. It's an independent office, part of the president's office.
   viii. Identifies trends and those trends are reported. Trend: 3 or more people complaining about the same issue.
   ix. Mostly graduate students come for conflict with the major professor.
   x. Please check the website for resources.

XIII. Senate Forum
   i. PAG Committee –
      1. GPSS PAG Chair, Cory Kleinheksel made a presentation to outline the changes between the current PAG system and the new PAG that got passed in Spring. A summary is attached herein:

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Item	Old System	New System

Financials	• Unequal Semester Divisions
	• $120 for Non-presenters
	  o Inequality across programs with different needs
	  o Estimated 47 (9%) more students supported each year
		• Equal Monthly Divisions
		• $200 for Non-presenters
		  o Equality across programs with different needs
		
		  o Estimated 47 (9%) fewer students supported each year

How additional PAG funds are allocated? **1 **2	• Eligible travel is funded until funds depleted	• Process has not been defined and it is unclear what process should be used.
Student Eligibility	(new additions)	• summer travel is permitted if registered for summer OR prior spring semester(s) • Restricted to active student status (i.e. not graduated)
Travel Eligibility	No Change	
Travel Reimbursement **3	No Change	
Travel Cancellation	No Change	
Application Procedure **2	• (Not something a student would be motivated to do) • Applications must be received at least 14 days prior to travel • For fairness in the system, depending on which semester the travel occurred, the date applications began to be accepted varies	• Cannot apply more than once for the same conference • Applications must be received by the 15th of the month prior to the month that travel occurs • No restriction on when applications will begin to be accepted

When should students apply? **2	• Apply at least 14 days prior to travel
	• Apply as soon as possible
		• Apply By 5pm on the 15th of the month prior to their travel month
		
		• Use the following strategy to determine when to apply
		  o If applicant has never received a PAG before (High priority)
		    ▪ If the applicant's travel is the next month
		      • Apply as soon as possible, by 5pm on the 15th
		    ▪ Else, the applicant's travel is further in the future, wait until the 15th of month
		      • If the number of High priority applicants is fewer than the number of PAG awards available (e.g. 40ish)
		        o Apply before 5pm on the 15th
		      • Else, follow the guidance above and repeat next month
		  o Else, applicant has received a PAG before (Low priority)
		    ▪ If the applicant's travel is the next month
		      • Apply as soon as possible, by 5pm on the 15th
		    ▪ Else, the applicant's travel is further in the future, wait until the 15th of month
		      • If the number of High priority applicants is fewer than the number of PAG awards available (e.g. 40ish)
		        o If the number of total applicants (High priority + Low priority applicants) is fewer than the number of PAG awards available (e.g. 40ish)
		          ▪ Apply before 5pm on the 15th
		        o Else, the number of total applicants is

		greater than the number of PAG awards available (e.g. 40ish)
		▪ It is a lottery…Chances of being approved are less than 100%...Consider the odds carefully, before choosing to apply or choosing to wait.
		▪ Applications that are denied cannot reapply in future months.
		▪ There is a possibility that future months will have higher or lower odds.
		• Else, the number of High priority applicants is greater than the number of PAG awards available (e.g. 40ish)
		o DO NOT APPLY, all low priority applications will be denied and cannot reapply in future months
		o Follow the guidance above and repeat next month
		o Else If the applicant needs their result (Approved/Denied) AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
		▪ Apply as soon as possible, by 5pm on the 15th
		▪ Disclaimer: May reduce chances of being approved. It is a lottery…Chances of being approved are dependent on the number of applicants and other factors in a given month.
Application pattern effects **2	• Unaffected by seasonal application patterns • Unaffected by advertisements (or lack of)	• Affected by seasonal application patterns • Affected by advertisements (or lack of)
Awarding of PAGs	• Applications processed by semester of travel • No priorities • First-Come-First-Served system • $120 Non-presenter / $200 Presenter	• Applications processed by month of application • Applications divided based on priority • Random lottery system • $200 Non-presenter / $200 Presenter
When are students notified?	• Response guaranteed within 14 days	• Response guaranteed by the 22nd of each month (i.e. less than 7-37 days depending on date of application)
Fairness improved	• Semesters of travel • First-Come-First-Served • No priorities • Over subscription meant 0% chance of receiving	• Months of applications • Random Lottery • Higher Priority to those who have not received before • Over subscription means a chance still exists
Fairness reduced **2	• No "games" • (no comparison) • Funds awarded based on Travel cycle hence under/over funding is not a problem in the system	• Game Strategies now need to be used in order to apply and receive a PAG award • Lower Priorities may still be awarded a PAG while a Higher Priority application is denied • Awarding based on application month and possible under/over funding of travel months

**1 - Current (and best) suggestion so far has been to never add additional funds to PAGs that were not previously budgeted

**2 - These changes are NOT due to the change from the old First-Come-First-Served system to the new Random Lottery system. This difference IS a consequence of 1) A change from using "travel" dates to using "application" dates during the PAG awarding process, and 2) A decision to not allow reapplications (or simply rollover eligible applications) when denied due lack of funding in a given month (e.g. not selected in a lottery)

**3 - When they are awarded a PAG, Students do NOT receive funds upfront. Students are reimbursed through a process within their departments after travel has occurred.

      ii. Following the presentation, Senate feedback was requested:
    iii. Senate feedback for
        1. Keeping the PAG amount at $200: 38%
        2. Decreasing the amount to serve more students: 64%
    iv. Senate feedback for allocating PAG through
        1. Travel Date: 76
        2. Application Date: 13
        3. Abstain: 11
    v. Senate feedback for: First-come-first-served for high-priorities, lottery only for low-priority
        1. Yes : 56%
        2. No: 27%
        3. Abstain: 18%

XIV.   Remarks and Reports

    i.   Report of the President – President Arko Mukherjee

1. Graduate Career Services: Interviews are on. Currently down to 4 candidates. The process should be done by November and the selected candidate should be on board by January 2015.
2. POS Online application is now live. Students can now submit online POS forms.
3. Research conference:
    a. Any contacts for a keynote speaker?
4. Met UNI graduate students on October 14th representing GPSS.
5. GPSS represented at Meet your Government Day.
6. The exec committee meets the Provost Friday October 17th.
7. Iowa State University joins University Innovation Alliance as a founding member. More information: http://www.theuia.org/

8. Graduate College currently debating the number of undergraduate credits allowed in graduate POS form.

Attached are slides from the Annual Report from the Ombuds Office.

    ii.   Report of the Vice President and Rules Committee – Vice President Zachary Zenko

1. Suggestions for supplementary materials to be sent with legislation
   a. After an inspiring chat with Provost Wickert, I would like to suggest that legislation – especially complicated legislation – includes an attachment that explains the implications. A recent example is the legislation brought before the Senate with tracked changes. This supplement material, though not required, could make the argument prior in favor of the bill prior to the Senate meeting. This will give the Senate more time to read it, think about it, and come up with reasoned discussion points.
   b. This would also give the Senate ample time for fact checking, outside of the Senate floor.
   c. Importantly, it should be noted that any legislation coming before the Senate floor is not necessarily endorsed by the executive council, university, or any Senate committee. The points of view argued in the supplementary material should always be based on fact and evidence and are not necessarily the points of view of the executive council, university, or any Senate committee.

    iii.   Report of the Treasurer and Finance Committee – Treasurer Timothy Rakitan

- Regular Allocations:
  - $9,036.83 awarded in Regular Allocations; $4,963.17 unused from Fall cycle
  - In total, 14 requests considered; more expected next semester
  - Send us your ideas for how to use the leftovers
- Special Allocations:
  - We spent $1,500 to support the Lectures program; this depleted our Specials Allocations. Anyone interested can write legislation to move surplus funds into Specials.
- Socials surplus:
  - We've still got $763.72 leftover from the Fall Social. Somebody tell me how to spend it!

    iv.   Report of the CIO and Elections Committee – CIO Sneha Singh

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1) Updates from Operations Committee Meeting
    a) GPSRC Web Page Update
    b) Automation of voting results generation
    c) Online Senator Nomination

2) Online Regular Allocation Updates
3) Yung-Yu Chung agreed to be a part of University CIO search committee

       v.   Report of the URLA Chair and URLA Committee – URLA Chair Ruchir Goswami

    1)   Need graduate student representation for following:

ommittee	Description
ll University Judiciary: 4	http://www.committees.iastate.edu/comm-info.php?id=77
SB Senator at-large:1	Serve on both GPSS and GSB senates in a liason capacity
tudent Affairs Committee of Faculty Senate	https://www-facsen.sws.iastate.edu/councils/academicaffairs/student-affairs-committee

    2)   The second Professional Development Seminar scheduled for Nov 10th has been postponed, since it is conflicting with the Senate meeting for November itself. It should be noted that the Senate meeting was shifted from Nov 17th to Nov 10th due to Richard Dawkin's lecture which is partially being sponsored by GPSS. The new dates for the professional development seminar would be communicated soon.

    3)   **SHAC (Student Health Advisory Committee) Outreach Forum on Wednesday, October 29th, at 3:30** in UDCC room 136. Leadership at Thielen Student Health Center greatly values the input of students and faculty, and SHAC Outreach serves as an important venue to get your feedback and share information.

    4)   GPSS Research Conference: (Introduce Misty)

        a.   Need Faculty participation for judging

        b.   Call for abstracts would start around mid-November

        c.   Please provide feedback regarding who you would like to see as a Keynote speaker or what workshops you would like to see at GPSRC 2015. Drop an email to gpssurla@iastate.edu

vi.   Report of the PAF Chair and the PAF Committee – PAF Chair Cory Kleinheksel

1. Senators please remind your constituents to submit their Margaret Ellen White Graduate Faculty Award to you. Then Senators please submit to me before the next Senate meeting. Each department or program is allowed 1 nomination per senate representative.

2. An Audit of the PAG account revealed no surprises. The account is adequately funded.

3. PAG Committee met and corresponded to begin preparing educational materials for the transition to the new policies and procedures. Those draft materials will be ready and presented at the October GPSS meeting. Senator feedback is requested.

4. New PAG Policies and Procedures were posted prominently to the PAG website. Department contacts were notified of the new PAG procedures beginning January 1st, 2015.

5. To complete the New System transition smoothly

a. Senator feedback at the October Senate meeting is critical in our final draft of educational materials for Students and Department Staff.

b. Educational materials will finalized and posted to the website.

c. PAG applications will begin to be accepted on November 16th. No changes to the application form is anticipated at this point.

d. Prior to December 16th, the PAG committee will conduct a mock lottery using past applications to simulate the lottery procedure.

e. Between December 16th and 22nd, the PAG committee will conduct the first lottery of the new system.

vii.   Report of the GSB-Senator at Large

Bike Share Program

On Wednesday, October 15, 2014, the Government of the Student Body (GSB) passed Senate Bill 2014-2-048 (Senate and Executive Collaboration on Bike Share and Campus Transportation) to fund the Bike Share Program.

City Council Meeting

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GSB met with the City Council on Wednesday October 8, 2014 and discussed issues regarding Ames housing and Cyride transit. The Ames housing website, Cityofames.org, will be useful to all ISU students and the Ames Community at large. There is assurance of crime free housing with this arrangement, unlike Craigslist. Modifications will always be done in case there is demand from the students and the tenants.

Upcoming Business

1. Upcoming meeting with Cyride Board of Trustees

    When: Thursday, December 4th at 7:45 am

    Where: CyRide Headquarters in CyRide Conference Room

    Topic: Final Budget Discussions, action, if any, would be taken

Information: http://www.cyride.com/index.aspx?page=1394&recordid=2893

XV.   Unfinished Business
   i.   None

XVI.   New Business
   i.   SB-F14-09 – Fall 2014 Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS) Regular Allocations
      i.   Amendment to move $4,963.17 to PAG
         1.   Amendment not seconded, hence defeated.
      ii.   Voting:
         1.   Yes: 89%
         2.   No: 2%
         3.   Abstain: 9%

XVII.   Announcements
   i.   The Chair of the Senate, Vice President Zack got a cat and named it Tesla.

XVIII.   Adjournment 9:30 PM

XIX.   Voting Records:
   i.   http://www.gpss.iastate.edu/senate/meetings/14-15/October/Vote/Participant.html
   ii.   http://www.gpss.iastate.edu/senate/meetings/14-15/October/Vote/Question.html

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Remarks and Reports

GPSS President Report

9. Graduate Career Services: First candidate interviewed on campus. Thanks for coming for the talk. The second candidate is on November 7th. Please attend.
10. Presidential scholarships set to increase to about $1M from current $400K.
11. Undergraduate tuition fees might freeze.
12. President Leath's priorities:
    a. Expand what the University offers to ensure that students have the best college experience possible, and are provided with the support to succeed both inside and outside classroom.
    b. Grow our research enterprise and promote our scholarly work
    c. Focus resources toward efforts that ensure a welcoming, inclusive, and safe campus and community

GPSS Vice President Report

All proposed legislation found favorable with one recommendation.

GPSS Treasurer Report

Update about Unspent funding

GPSS CIO Report

1) Call for Senators to be announced in January
2) GPSRC webpage update.

GPSS URLA Chair Report

Need graduate student representation for following:

Committee	Description
All University Judiciary: 4	http://www.committees.iastate.edu/comm-info.php?id=77
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Student Affairs Advisory Board	http://www.committees.iastate.edu/comm-info.php?id=50

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1) The Second Professional Development Seminar would be on Wednesday, November 19th at 5:30 PM at Physics 005. Mark Peterson, Director of Graduate Business Career Services would be speaking on "*How to make career choices and how to prepare for it*".

2) GPSS Research Conference Updates:

    a. Need Faculty participation for judging.
    b. Speaker:
        i. Dr. Peter A. Freeman jointly sponsored by ACM. Details:
          https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Peter_A._Freeman

GPSS PAG Report

1. We have less than 5% of our fall PAG budget left. Spring submissions are being accepted yet, but will be soon.
2. The PAG committee did a rough run through of a lottery. The January lottery will be held between December 16th and 22nd.
3. We have three PAG bills this month.
4. Faculty awards are due November 10th. The PAG committee developed a review process that will be used to collaboratively review the submissions.
5. Thanks to everyone that beta tested our PAG online app and for CIO for making website updates for me. We have been live with our own app since October 28th and the Google forms submissions have been halted.

GPSS Senators at Large Report

ISU Growth Open Forum

This past Wednesday October 29, 2014 the Governing Students Board (GSB) hosted a 2-hour Open Forum event with President Steven Leath, Provost Jonathan Wickert, Senior Vice President of Business and Finances Warren Madden, and Chief of Staff Miles Lackey. The following topics were discussed:

1. Enrollment growth and its impact on student services (health, transportation, course offering, academic counseling).
2. The administration is aware of these issues and short-term plans to address them are underway.

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SENATE BILL F14-10
SENATE MEETING November 10, 2014

TITLE: Awarding PAGs Based on Travel Month

WHEREAS: Several implementation issues were identified in the new PAG policies stemming from the use of "Application Month" during the PAG awarding process, and

WHEREAS: The use of "Travel Month" was the initial intention of the legislation last year prior to being amended, be it therefore

ENACTED: PAGs shall be awarded monthly based the applicant's "Travel Month", and be it further

ENACTED: That the attached document shall amend and become the official governing document for the policies and procedures of the PAG system beginning January 1, 2015

Sponsors:

Anderson, A.	Duchimaza Heredia, J.	Hershberger, M.
Jaramillo Cherrez, N.	Mantilla Perez, B.	Monfort-Nelson, E.

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  Arko Provo Mukherjee, President   Zachary Zenko, Chair of the Senate

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SENATE BILL F14-11
SENATE MEETING November 10, 2014

TITLE: Awarding High Priority PAG Applications Immediately and Conducting a Lottery for Low Priority Applications with the remaining funds

WHEREAS: Students desire a responsive and fast moving government, and

WHEREAS: First-time applicants (i.e. High Priority) deserve a fast response from the PAG committee on the status of their application, and

WHEREAS: Any delays even for a couple weeks could result in increased costs to these first-time PAG applicants in terms of higher flight costs, missed early-bird conference registrations, missed early-bird hotel bookings, etc., and

WHEREAS: A faster response could be accomplished by awarding High Priority PAG applications immediately and conducting a lottery for Low Priority Applications with the remaining funds, be it therefore

ENACTED: PAGs shall be awarded to High Priority PAG applications immediately and shall conduct a Lottery for Low Priority applications with the remaining funds, and be it further

ENACTED: That the attached document shall amend and become the official governing document for the policies and procedures of the PAG system beginning January 1, 2015

Sponsors:

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SENATE BILL F14-12

SENATE MEETING November 10, 2014

TITLE: PAGs Maintaining the Same Level of Students Supported

WHEREAS: The old PAG policy unequally supported non-presenters at $120 and presenters at $200, and

WHEREAS: In the 2012-2013 fiscal year the "Average" PAG award amount was $173.72, and

WHEREAS: In the 2013-2014 fiscal year the "Average" PAG award amount was $182.13, and

WHEREAS: The new PAG policies brings equality to the system between non-presenters and presenters and supports both at $200 per award, and

WHEREAS: This equality policy implicitly sets the "Average" PAG award amount equal to the $200 PAG award amount, and

WHEREAS: Increases in the "Average" PAG award while the budget for PAG awards remains approximately constant results in a decrease in the number of students served by the PAG System, and

WHEREAS: An estimated 47 (9%) fewer students will be served due to this increase in "Average" PAG award, while even at current "Average" award levels the old PAG policies routinely denies applicants due to lack of funds, be it therefore

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ENACTED: The amount of a PAG award shall be $180, and be it further

ENACTED: That the attached document shall amend and become the official governing document for the policies and procedures of the PAG system beginning January 1, 2015

<u>Sponsors:</u>

Anderson, A.	Duchimaza Heredia, J.	Hershberger, M.
Jaramillo Cherrez, N.	Mantilla Perez, B.	Monfort-Nelson, E.

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PAG Policies Amended: Red – Travel, Green – High Priority Immediately, Blue – Same Level of Students Supported

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Professional Advancement Grants Policies and Procedures

Contents

I.   Purpose

Professional Advancement Grants (PAG) are provided to graduate and professional students by the Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS) to help defray expenses related to professional meeting and conference travel.

II.   Travel Month Award Divisions ~~Monthly Cycle~~

a) PAGs shall be awarded based on 'Travel Month' ~~on a monthly cycle~~.

b) ~~The applications for a given month are due at 5:00 pm on the 15th day of the preceding month.~~ The month in which a conference occurs shall be determined by the last day on which the conference occurs regardless of when travel begins or ends, this is referred to as an applicant's '**travel month**'.

c) The total amount of funds budgeted for PAG awards for the fiscal year shall be divided equally among the twelve months.

d) ~~The month in which a conference occurs shall be determined by the last day on which the conference occurs regardless of when travel begins or ends, this is referred to as an applicant's **'travel month'**.~~

e) If in a given month there is unspent money, the extra money will be distributed to the immediately proceeding month.

III. Awarting PAG Awards ~~by Lottery~~

a) Each PAG application shall receive a priority number. Anyone who has not previously received a PAG will have priority 1. Anyone who has previously received at least one PAG will have priority 2.

b) Eligible priority 1 applicants will be awarded a PAG immediately following processing of the application and while sufficient funds remain.

c) If the available funds are sufficient to fund all of the priority 1 applicants but not all of the priority 2 applicants, after ~~After~~ the 15th and before the 22~~thnd~~ of each month, the PAG committee shall conduct a lottery to determine which priority 2 applicants ~~applications~~ to fund ~~by conducting a lottery~~. This lottery shall be conducted using RANDOM.ORG. The PAG chair and at least 1 additional member of the PAG committee or executive board must be present. (Instructions on how to use RANDOM.ORG can be found in the appendix.)

d) ~~Each PAG application shall receive a priority number for the lottery. Anyone who has not previously received a PAG will have priority 1. Anyone who has previously received at least one PAG will have priority 2 Anyone who has already received a PAG during the current fiscal year shall be ineligible for a second PAG in the same fiscal year.~~

e) ~~If the available funds for the month are insufficient to fund every application with priority 1, then an equal chance drawing shall be conducted among the applications that have priority 1 to determine which are funded.~~ (Broke this long paragraph into two)

f) ~~If the available funds are sufficient to fund all of the priority 1 applications but not all of the priority 2 applications, then an equal chance drawing shall be conducted among the applications with priority 2.~~

IV.   Student Eligibility

a) In order to receive PAG award, the applicant must be a graduate or professional student at Iowa State University (ISU).

1. The applicant must be registered for the Fall Semester to receive funding for a trip which occurs in August through December.
2. The applicant must be registered for the Spring Semester to receive funding for a trip which occurs in January through May.
3. The applicant must be registered for either of the 2 Summer Sessions or the previous Spring semester to receive funding for a trip which occurs during June or July.
4. The applicant must not graduate prior to travel occurring

b) Students are only eligible for one PAG award per fiscal year (July 1 – June 30)

c) Students may apply more than once, but the applications must be for different conferences.

1. For example, if a student is denied a PAG award for a conference, they remain eligible to apply for a *different* conference that same fiscal year.

V.   Travel Eligibility

a) Applicants may receive travel funding to attend a professional meeting as a presenter or as a non-presenter.

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b) Applicants may receive travel funding to attend a professional workshop that provides experiences not available at ISU.

c) Applicants will not receive funding for required academic activities.

d) Travel is not eligible until proper confirmation documentation is available to provide to GPSS

1. Presenters must have an abstract acceptance confirmation (email or letter) to be considered for a PAG award.

   a. The letter/email containing the confirmation must be addressed to the student and should include the following information:
      1. The name of the conference or workshop,
      2. Date(s) of the conference and/or presentation,
      3. Name, title, and affiliation of the person that sent the confirmation, and
      4. Contact information for the person that sent the confirmation
   b. GPSS may request that an applicant submit proof of acceptance in hardcopy, it is the applicant's responsibility to retain the confirmation for one (1) year following the conference.

2. Non-presenters must have a registration confirmation (email or letter) to be considered for a PAG award.

   a. The letter/email containing the registration confirmation must be addressed to the student and should include the following information:
      1. The name of the conference or workshop,
      2. Date(s) of the conference or workshop,
      3. Name, title, and affiliation of the conference chairperson, and
      4. Contact information for the chairperson
   b. GPSS may request that an applicant submit proof of registration in hardcopy, it is the applicant's responsibility to retain the confirmation for one (1) year following the conference.

VI.   Amount of Support

The amount of a PAG award shall be $200$180.

VII.   Application

a) Application forms and instructions are the responsibility of the PAG chair and are posted on the GPSS website (https://www. gpss.sws.iastate.edu/students/pag/).

b) Documentation of registration is required at the time of application (Section "Student Eligibility").

c) Incomplete, or late, or duplicate applications will not be considered for funding.

d) The deadline for an application is 5:00 pm on the 15th of the month prior to the month of the conference.

e) It is in an individual's best interest to apply as soon as possible and An individual may apply at any time prior to the deadline in d) and be entered into that month's lottery; however, an individual may only apply once for a given conference.

As an example, if one has a conference in December, the PAG application must be submitted before November 15th. If the applicant knows about the conference in October, he may apply before October 15th and be entered into the October drawing.

VIII. Travel Reimbursement

a) The applicant should contact his or her department for information on the reimbursement process.

b) Documentation of registration is required for reimbursement (Section "Student Eligibility").

c) Dispersal of funds will conform to ISU policies.

d) Reimbursements must be completed within 1 month from the last date of travel.

e) Reimbursements will only be approved for actual expenses incurred.

f) All lodging receipts and all receipts for items $75 or greater must be retained in the traveler's academic department. The Graduate College will not be responsible for the retention of traveler's receipts.

g) It is the applicant's responsibility to approve travel reimbursement through AccessPlus prior to the 1-month deadline.

IX.   Travel Cancellation

a) If a student is funded to attend a conference and does not attend, the student must notify the GPSS PAG Chair in writing (email <gpsspag@iastate.edu> is preferred) to cancel their PAG for that conference no later than 2 weeks after the conference.

b) Students who do not follow the procedure to cancel will not qualify for an additional PAG within the same fiscal year.

c) Funds awarded for travel to one conference cannot be transferred to a different conference.

X.   Appendix

First number the PAG applications in the lottery from 1 to m. From the RANDOM.ORG homepage, click on Random Integer Set Generator. In the box for the number of unique random integers, type the number of available PAG awards. In the boxes for the range of values, type 1 and the number of applications (m). Then click ``Get Sets.'' The numbers in the set are the numbers of PAG applications that get funded.

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Random Integer Set Generator

This form allows you to generate random sets of integers. The randomness comes from atmospheric noise, which for many purposes is better than the pseudo-random number algorithms typically used in computer programs.

Step 1: The Sets

Number of available PAGs goes here

Generate [1] set(s) with [5] unique random integer(s) in each.

Each integer should have a value between [1] and [20] (both inclusive; limits ±1,000,000,000).

Number of applications goes here

The total number of integers must be no greater than 10,000.

Step 2: Display Options

Each set will be printed on a separate line. You can choose from the following extra options:

- ☑ Number the sets sequentially
- ☑ Use commas to separate the set members
- ☑ Sort the members of each set in ascending order

You can select the order in which the sets are printed:

- ◉ Print the sets in the order they were generated
- ◯ Order the sets by the values that occur in them (in this case, you should also consider sorting the members of each set)
- ◯ Print the sets in random order

Step 3: Go!

Be patient! It may take a little while to generate your sets...

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SENATE BILL F14-13
SENATE MEETING November 10, 2014

TITLE: Socials Line Item Allocation for Social Event

WHEREAS: Interdepartmental acquaintances and friendships can provide multiple benefits to students, including but not limited to dissemination of important information relevant to off-campus living, student-work life balance, and formation of interdepartmental research collaborations, and

WHEREAS: The Socials Line Item in the FY2015 GPSS Budget has $763.72 of the $1,500 budgeted for the 2014 GPSS Fall Social unspent, and

WHEREAS: Further inquiries into venues and booking events requires the ability to commit funding, be it therefore

ENACTED: An ad-hoc Social Committee of the co-sponsors of this bill and the Vice President be formed until the beginning of March 2015 with the mandate to organize a social event, be it further

ENACTED: The $763.62 from the Socials Line Item be allocated towards either a "End of Semester" social in November or December and/or a "Welcome Back" social in early Spring Semester as deemed feasible by the Social Committee created in this bill.

Sponsors:

Hershberger, M.   Tripathy, A.   Chakraborty, A.   Figueroa, A.   Hsu, C.   Spencer, M.

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SENATE BILL F14-14

SENATE MEETING November 10th, 2014

TITLE: Sponsor Lecture from Adam Ruben

WHEREAS: Having the speaker who is a comedian and molecular biologist will be an entertaining and informative lecture benefitting a large number of graduate students, and

WHEREAS: GPSRC already has funding to cover travel for the speaker, and

WHEREAS: GPSRC is unable to pay the speaking fee, and

WHEREAS: GPSS budget has a surplus with unutilized funds available, be it therefore

ENACTED: That the GPSS allocate $2500.00 in funding to the GPSRC to sponsor the Adam Ruben lecture.

Sponsors:

Langley, M.

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Arko Provo Mukherjee, President   Zachary Zenko, Chair of the Senate

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