



# IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

## Graduate & Professional Student Senate

### GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SENATE

#### Meeting Agenda

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Monday, January 25, 2015; 6:30 PM  
Sunroom, MU

#### I. Call to order 6:30 P.M.

- i. Roll Call
- ii. Statement of Quorum by Vice-President
- iii. Approval of the Meeting Notes
- iv. Amendments to the Agenda: added to Senate forum IMSE

#### II. Open Forum

- i. Dr. Martino Harmon – Associate Vice President of Student Affairs –  
<http://www.studentaffairs.iastate.edu/>
- ii. Erin Baldwin – Director of Thielen Student Health Center –  
<http://www.cyclonehealth.org>

Two years at ISU as a student. Under her leadership: New assistant director for administrative and fiscal responsibilities appointed since September, quality improvement officer accreditation, and assistant director for clinical services. Working on access – new nurse practitioner, 2 new physicians, and 2 more primary care nurse.

Relations with patients: 2 nurses talk on the phone, text and email reminder for appointment times thus improving the no show rate.

Partnership with Mcfarland – interim coverage, ---running ad---

Patient experience: front desk has certified medical professionals, satisfaction survey: Dec 85% +ve, online feedback form, recruitment for mental health care, looking to expand physical area.

Senator Davis: Do you follow any particular diagnostic framework treating patients? Misdiagnosed due to campus climate? – Staff meets and talks about best practices. They review each other. Info from survey is distributed to providers.

Senator Prisacari: The travel clinic nurse does an exceptional job. Have you thought of extending services to provide wellness services, nutrition, stress management. Thielen had a dietician but no longer.--- Assistant VP Student Affairs Harmon: Student Affairs office is looking at instituting a wellness program similar to on the lines that you have mentioned. This program will ensure that different services provided by different centers are presented to the students in an efficient and coordinated manner. For instance, dining center has a dietician.



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1 Senator Nielsen: How are students routed through the care process? I know of instances where the  
2 pharmacist in Thielen decided if appointments with doctors was necessary in those cases. --- Assistant VP  
3 Student Affairs Harmon: We were understaffed last year and we are working to make sure that doesn't  
4 happen anymore.

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6 Senator Zhai: What is the typical process for a patient to access the services of Thielen? - Calling front desk  
7 is first step.

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9 Senator: When will the new building for Thielen scheduled to come up? Any date? - That is a more long  
10 term project.

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12 Senator Luo: International students are in general apprehensive about cost of medical procedures. What  
13 steps are being taken to alleviate those concerns? --- We need to better educate people about these issues.  
14 Assistant VP Student Affairs Harmon: I believe there is an international clinic in MU that works for a  
15 similar objective.

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17 Refer people to Mcfarland? - info about cost of services they receive should be provided to the students. ---  
18 Yes we will ask for that info, collect it and present it to the patients.

### 20 III. Senate Forum

#### 21 i. Preliminary FY2017 Budget Proposal by GPSS Treasurer Rakitan

22 4% increase to PAG. Other increases include Regular allocations, office communication expense for  
23 website etc.

24 Senator Jaramillo: With regards to Wakonse in 2015, where the surplus has been put into? - Finance  
25 Committee is open to suggestions.

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27 Senator Davis: why do we have a surplus? Why not put in regular allocations?

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29 Senator Prisacari: Two suggestions. Writing bootcamp. Funding graduate students to meet and discuss with  
30 graduate students of other institutions.

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32 GPSS President Zenko: PAG chair is refunding teaching, research & leadership awards.

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34 Senator Hershberger: We must keep in mind that the surplus is specific to a year and thus not use it to fund  
35 recurring programs.

#### 36 37 ii. Revising the Iowa State University Diploma - <http://goo.gl/forms/T3yRg0XEsc>



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1 GPSS Vice President Kleinheksel: Font for diploma has to be changed. Graduate student is sorely needed in  
2 this initiative and hence everybody is encouraged to sign up.

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4 Senator Singh: I am a MS in industrial engineering, TA in physics under College of LAS. From fall 2016, LAS  
5 wont be allowed to hire as TAs Masters' students of the College of Engineering.

6 GPSS President Zenko: which office did it come from? – I believe it was a decision of LAS, spoke with Dr  
7 Frank, Dr Bill.

8 GPSS VicePresident Kleinheksel: LAS wants to increase the funding available to its own graduate students,  
9 which is why such a step.

10 GPSS Treasurer Rakitan: If LAS has different tuition than College of Engineering? In the past tuition was  
11 paid by home department.

12 Senator Walugembe: Does College of engineering have too many graduate students?

13 GPSS CIO Agrawal: Lot of undergraduate students take those courses and hence many TA opportunities for  
14 engineering students were available there.

### 15 IV. Introduction of New Bills

16 i. Senate Bill S16-01 – Revising the GPSS Standing Rules

17 ii. Senate Bill S16-02 – Special Allocation for the 2016 R.F. Baker Plant Breeding  
18 Symposium organized by Graduate Students in Plant Breeding and Genetics

### 19 V. Remarks and Reports

20 i. Report of the President

21 Senator Duchimaza: VPSA meeting times.

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23 Senator Prisacari: paperwork extending deadline for grad students. Forms available online. – provost and  
24 dean of grad collg, meeting on feb 17, please send email.

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26 Jaramillo: international student fee.

27 ii. Report of the Vice President

28 Vote to determine who'll be the speaker in the next open forum: VP div inclusion > cyride> responsible  
29 ethical research

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31 iii. Report of the Treasurer



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1       iv.    Report of the Chief Information Officer

2       v.     Report of the University Relations and Legislative Affairs Chair

3       vi.    Report of the Professional Advancement Grant Chair

4    Senator Jaramillo : described the process and improvements done for the faculty award.

5    Senator Walugembe: described the changes in the process to have fairness in the system.

6    Departments of members of the PAG committee:

7    School of Education, Animal Science, Electrical Engineering , Chemical Engineering, Biomedical  
8    Engineering.

9    Reasons to deny PAG? – either request submitted late, or did not fit criteria.

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11       vii.   Report of the Graduate and Professional Student Research Conference Chair

12   Senator Birla: Described the Abstract submission process. Topics for workshop, next meeting on Friday.

13   Tuesday April 12<sup>th</sup> is when the GPSRC is scheduled for.

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15       viii.   Report of the Graduate SG Senator

16   Voted against rent an umbrella program.

17   Cyswap. Own type of craigslist.

18   Resolution was voted yes. Censured the student representative for being unwilling to voice the concerns of  
19   students regarding the issue of increase in tuition fees for international students.

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21   Senator Dufresne: Is it exclusively for sport tickets? No

22   Senator Archer: what does the censure do? –

23   Senator Davis: Who is this student regent? – She had come to stugov last October.

24   GPSS President Zenko: I had met once for lunch.

25   Senator Davis: interested in setting up a procedure for feedback to the student regent from the student  
26   government.

27   Senator Jaramillo: At the BOR meeting she was aware that this issue was coming. What was role of GPSS  
28   in conveying to her our disagreement with this development?

29   Senator Walugembe: Does her term end with graduation? No, she is there in the Board of Regents upto  
30   2021.

31   Senator Archer: How was she elected? And how can we remove?

32   Senator Lee: Why is the term 6 years? -- All regents have 6 years.

33   VI.   Unfinished Business

34       i.    None

35   VII.   New Business



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1           i.       Senate Bill S16-01 – Revising the GPSS Standing Rules

2       Senator Campbell: friendly amendment.

3       GPSS President Zenko: these rules will take effect next meeting.

4       Passes with 91%

5           ii.       Senate Bill S16-02 – Special Allocation for the 2016 R.F. Baker Plant Breeding  
6                    Symposium organized by Graduate Students in Plant Breeding and Genetics

7       Passes by 90%

### 8 VIII. Announcements

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10       Senator Duchimaza: Student experience committee with 6 year plan. Please direct comments to steering  
11       committee on president’s website.

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13       Senator Jaramillo: CELT task force for inclusive learning environment. Contact myself or Misty Spencer  
14       for more information.

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16       Senator Davis: College of human sciences dean search committee. Candidates will be coming to ISU in  
17       March

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19       GPSS Treasurer Rakitan: FC will need help in march with all the Regular Allocation requests.

### 20 IX. Adjournment

### 21 X. Voting Results

22       i.       <http://www.gpss.iastate.edu/senate/meetings/15-16/January/Vote/Results%20by%20Participant.html>

23       ii.       <http://www.gpss.iastate.edu/senate/meetings/15-16/January/Vote/Results%20by%20Question.html>