

- I. Call to order 6:32 P.M.
  - a. Roll Call
  - b. Statement of Quorum by Vice-President
  - c. Meeting Notes from April meeting not available
  - d. Amendments to the Agenda
- II. Open Forum (40 Min)
  - a. Laura Doering – Registrar - [lidoeri@iastate.edu](mailto:lidoeri@iastate.edu) [see handout]
    - i. Fee proposal: not new, but bundling 3 existing fees (transcript, add/drop, graduation); concept of bundling is a nationwide conversation
    - ii. A. Neudorf: Wonder how to deal with students who, get to last year, haven't dropped/added, feel that b/c haven't, don't need to pay that extra amount and would like money back
    - iii. LD: No refunds – no longer about services because those fees going away; just a records fee and everyone has a records fee
    - iv. A. Archer: transcripts w/security features – have considered options to not have it? (K State experience: some employers like NASA, GE, USAJobs won't accept due to errors)
    - v. LD: Aware of these situations, working through what it means to be sure that the transcript can be considered official; we believe we're there
    - vi. M. Mantilla Perez: 3 questions – int'l students also need to send diplomas, another kind of certification – will these be included?
    - vii. LD: Have not talked about bringing that into the bundle
    - viii. MMP: Would be appreciated to include mailing cost in fee. Problems of PDFs and authenticity; will paper cost?
    - ix. LD: Not getting rid of paper transcripts, will be bundled; do expect electronic to grow by about 20%, but still anticipate more paper being issued
    - x. MMP: How many copies of the diploma can we have?
    - xi. LD: Duplicate diplomas will have their charge, not being bundled; another fee that will be kept is late registration for its uses as a deterrent fee
    - xii. MMP: Limit on added/dropped classes?
    - xiii. LD: Faculty academic standards commission has established drop limits, which will be kept
    - xiv. K. Heim: Will be a great deal; electronic transcripts didn't just work as well b/c couldn't be opened by recipient
    - xv. S. Hartman: Shouldered by new students, assuming into effect Fall 2017, at what point can people who have already graduated take advantage?
    - xvi. LD: All alumni, all enrolled students with ISU record will benefit beginning FY 18. Talked some about graduated fee based on class, but isn't needed to run the budget annually
    - xvii. Senator: Have considered issuing transcripts the same day? Have heard of complaints, University of Iowa gives people transcripts immediately.
    - xviii. LD: Have a \$5 same-day service fee, which isn't included in the bundle (don't want to encourage, don't have the staff)
    - xix. Senator substitute TJ Rakitan: What is cost of transcripts to the registrar's office to send out?

- xx. LD: Staff time, paper, mail – not very large, if order copies at the same time; if add together graduation fee and
- xxi. S. Zhai: Want to make sure, current students are fine?
- xxii. LD: Yes
- xxiii. S. Zhai: For students graduating next summer, will still pay?
- xxiv. LD: Yes
- xxv. MMP: When will complete information be available re: included/not, final number?
- xxvi. LD: Current list is good; Will look at mailing costs for int'l students, if absorbable will be done; amount will be decided by Friday, Sept. 2
- xxvii. LD: Co-curricular transcript initiative – ISU brand is engagement, holistic college student experience, applies also to graduate students, How can help students create repository of positions, service, awards that are not on the academic transcript? Web application, easy to use, students themselves can add entries, request verification if part of a student organization. Please think about how to best reach graduate students about this? Intended to be a companion piece to the academic record. Is this something particularly useful to graduate students? There will be no charge. Might help from a retention standpoint, how much students are doing X activity.
- b. George Micalone - Assistant Director, Memorial Union - [micalone@iastate.edu](mailto:micalone@iastate.edu)
  - i. Not present.

### III. Introduction of New Bills

- a. Senate Bill F16-01: Ratifying the GPSS Constitution
  - i. N. Flax: Statement of Intent
- b. Senate Bill F16-02: Funding the GPSS Senator Social
  - i. W. Duerkes: Statement of Intent

### IV. Senate Reports: (40 Min)

- a. Report of the President
  - i. MMP: Said talked re: How to better spend money of int'l student fee; what is the current idea?
  - ii. President: Summer work with Harmon – int'l orientation was long, involved a lot of activities, picking up from airport, 2-3 days of accommodation for new students, new police officer who can speak relevant languages, writing & media center so they can train students whose first language is not English, will have int'l students advisory committee
- b. Report of the Vice President
- c. Report of the Treasurer
  - i. Treasurer: Allocations will be due in late September, notify your student orgs. Up to \$1,000 will be funded.
  - ii. S. Zhai: If a student organization is only for PhD students, are they eligible for regular allocations?
  - iii. Treasurer: Events open to non-club members are OK; will send an email in early Sept.
  - iv. MMP: What is the deadline for regular allocations?

- v. Treasurer: Sept. 30 (5<sup>th</sup> Friday)
  - d. Report of the Chief Information Officer
  - e. Report of the University Relations and Legislative Affairs Chair
  - f. Report of the Professional Advancement Grant Chair
  - g. Report of the Graduate and Professional Student Research Conference Chair
  - h. Report of the Graduate Student Government Senator
  - i. Report of Special Committees
- V. Senate Forum (30 Min)
  - a. None
- VI. Unfinished Business
  - a. None
- VII. New Business
  - a. Senate Bill F16-01: Ratifying the GPSS Constitution (30 Min)
    - i. MMP: Move to consider as read
    - ii. W. Duerkes: Second
    - iii. VP: Considered read
    - iv. Author: Voted in April on constitutional changes to include interdepartmental academic units to allow better representation and also changed one article to encourage sitting senators to sit on university committees
    - v. Call of the question, Second
    - vi. VP: Objection? Seeing none, move into a roll-call vote on the bill.
    - vii. M. DuPont: Point of personal privilege – is it possible to vote by consensus?
    - viii. President and VP: Constitution needs a roll-call vote
    - ix. Roll-call vote
    - x. VP: Bill passes
  - b. Senate Bill F16-02: Funding the GPSS Senator Social (30 Min)
    - i. Motion to consider as read, second
    - ii. W. Duerkes: General statement of purpose
    - iii. N. Jaramillo Cherez: Receive training/knowledge of senate – see value of this, but not in a social
    - iv. President: Name is probably misleading, senators meet only once/month as a large group which does not lend itself to knowing others/being aware of business; teach about motions; waste a lot of time during senate meeting on explaining duties, motions, etc.; casually meet to discuss would be more effective; just for senators, not for graduate students
    - v. NJC: How to implement the last? When? Mandatory?
    - vi. President: Still making decisions on the idea, but since first year not mandatory, want to send soon, will send poll for when is better the week before the last meeting; do not want to have at end of semester (done with half the year); something to start off for the future
    - vii. A. Grover: How often planning to do this?
    - viii. President: Once, between Aug/Sept mtgs.
    - ix. A. Grover: Why not have 15-20 minutes before/after each meeting to spend some time?

- x. President: People are probably too impatient/busy
- xi. VP: Mtgs. typically run very long
- xii. W. Duerkes: Part of reason happy to sponsor the bill is that it's an opportunity to learn about being a senator in a fluid, relaxed situation when there are a lot of rigid meetings to have to sit through
- xiii. Flax: Some academic units don't have senator start in August, perhaps accommodate at start of spring semester?
- xiv. VP: Discussed among Execs rolling terms instead of Aug. 1-July 31; term lasts 1 year from nomination/confirmation/election/whatever department calls it
- xv. M. DuPont: Curious how this helps/hurts the training documents that we already have that are on the website?
- xvi. President: Few people read; this is more of a hands-on event
- xvii. Heim: Like for a lot of reasons; think of as orientation; website is good for looking back; getting the human touch from someone who's been through it is good; orientation packet for people who start later?
- xviii. Call the question, second
- xix. Move for unanimous consent, second, objection
- xx. M. DuPont: Just don't think it makes sense to train after we've done a meeting; wish was better trained/networked/socialized for *this* meeting; don't think it should be after the meeting
- xxi. Flax: Part of preparing you for being a GPSS senator falls on predecessor, but another point of information is that as President mentioned the formal training in a senate meeting takes a long time and is not liked; those of us who have been here are happy to help
- xxii. Treasurer: Not really additional funding, because there is leeway in how we spend social funding budget item so it's shifting funds around that are usually in surplus
- xxiii. President: Knowing other senators socially helps get business done; similar interests and knowing about them helps get business done; university leadership approving, were interested in coming (which we won't have)
- xxiv. N. Singh: Is the objective to train and to have more interaction between senators? What about similar dress code, like execs, for people from same departments? (Identifying, meeting, getting acquainted)
- xxv. VP: Interesting idea
- xxvi. PAG: Looking from exec point of view, senators in meetings don't have time to think much about their committee participation
- xxvii. Grover: Endorse the idea, because senators aren't as connected socially as they should be; doing business requires putting people together; issue with rolling basis for terms – will need to look at timing again
- xxviii. Call the question, second, call for UC, second, no objections seen

VIII. Roll Call and Announcements

- a. Grover: Will we have clickers this year?
- b. VP: Planning, but anticipate problems due to university change away from them

- c. VP: Next senate meeting will not be at the MU but at Vet Med; will send details;  
Sept. 26, 6:30 p.m.

IX. Adjournment