Executive Updates 12/7/2020

President

-Looking for someone who wants to be involved in a philanthropic organization, I need to know ASAP. Three year commitment, virtual meeting once a month.

SIO

No updates!

Wellness Officer

The Wellness Committee has been putting together 8 dimensions of wellness for the 8 weeks of winter break! You can access the Canvas page here:

https://canvas.iastate.edu/courses/77362 We will be publishing the modules as the weeks go on, and we hope that you will follow along with us. We hope that we can all take a little bit of time each week to learn something new and to prioritize our mental health and wellbeing.

GPSC

-Sent out a poll to gauge what students want in from a virtual conference, over 120 replies!

-Organizing a second meeting with GPSC-Crew, it is never too late to join!

Treasurer:

- Finance Committee has met, a report of our recommendations and the allocations bill has been sent out
- Looking for feedback on allocations guidelines. (Article VII of Bylaws)
 - Section 2.2.2.1. Sets hard deadlines for the application process, COVID-19 created a situation where these had to be moved.
 - Section 2.4.5. prohibit GPSS Allocations to be used for social events. This conversation was started with the 2019-2020 Senate, but was never resolved.
 - If you are interested, please read the allocations guidelines. I will be having a meeting to discuss with Senators on these guidelines to see if revisions should be made

Student Government SenatorsNo updates.

LAS Committee

- -A survey was sent out to LAS graduate students, as well as the results and some brief follow up from Associate Dean Hogben sent on November 25th
- -In response to the survey, several departments have hosted listening sessions and focus groups with graduate students to address some of the issues that have come up in the survey
- -Associate Dean Hogben has repeatedly recommended that students who face problems with things like course modality switches contact either her or Associate Dean Cutrona
- -We also discussed the desire to expand the LAS Committee as well as encourage other colleges to form a similar GPSS committee to this one

If any LAS Senators are interested in joining this committee, please contact myself or the members of the LAS Committee

Associate Dean Hogben said that she would reach out to the deans of other colleges to hopefully get those conversations started