

# TWENTY-FOURTH CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION  
Student Government Chambers Room, 316 Oglesby Union  
July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
6:34 p.m.



**CALL TO ORDER:** 6:34 p.m.

**REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:** Baker, Elwood, Guilbeau, Indrakanti, Mazzie, Peruche, Sharifi-Raini, Shu, Ward, Williams

**QUORUM:** YES

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Guilbeau

**REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, EXCUSED:** NONE

**REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, UNEXCUSED:** NONE

**REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, EXCUSED:** Clark, Scriven, Uttermark

**REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, UNEXCUSED:** NONE

**REPRESENTATIVES LATE, EXCUSED:** NONE

**REPRESENTATIVES LATE, UNEXCUSED:** NONE

**PETITIONS INTO THE ASSEMBLY:** Emily Allen (Musicology), Jeanette Lehn (Special/ Undecided), Joshua Mendez (Arts & Sciences)

**MINUTES APPROVED:** Peruche. Second Ward.

**SPECIAL INTRODUCTIONS AND STUDENT COMMENTS:**

- Dr. Amy Guerette, Chair of the Academic Honor Policy, detailed the types of violations to the Academic Honor Policy. Dr. Guerette also requested members of the assembly to join their committee.
- Howard Font, FSU Graduate, is running for a position in the local legislature. Howard would like to get more students engaged in student issues such as housing and crime rates.

**MESSAGES FROM STUDENT GOVERNMENT:** NONE

**REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS:** NONE

**REPORT OF THE OFFICERS:**

*Speaker Elwood turns the chair over to Deputy Speaker Ward to sponsor Bill 29 and 30.*

**Unfinished Business:** NONE

### **Funding Requests:**

- Bill 29 Sponsored by Speaker Elwood: *Purchase of COGS Promotional Items*  
Speaker Elwood explains that the request is for flag books and mugs for distribution at the Graduate Student Orientation. Due to accounting errors, the request was not processed last fiscal year. The funds will come from the Speaker's Request account which is designated for the COGS expenses for orientation. In an effort to obtain the funding that was lost for the promotional items last fiscal year, COGS will submit a request for Sweepings later in the year. **FIRST PRO:** Representative Shu is in favor of the bill for recruitment purposes. Motion to call to question. **Bill 29 is approved to use \$1242.78 from Speaker's Request Account.**
- Bill 30 Sponsored by Speaker Elwood: *Funding for Madison Social Event*  
Speaker Elwood explains that the funds will be used to purchase finger foods for 200 graduate students at Madison Social. Following the orientation, students will have the opportunity to network with COGS representatives, eat, and purchase beverages upon their discretion. Representatives inquire if this request is similar to what was requested last year. Deputy Speaker Guilbeau inquires the premise of the Madison Social event. **FIRST PRO:** Peruche is in favor of funding this event and believe it is important for networking purposes. Motion to call to question. Vote by voice. **Bill 30 is approved; \$1944 from Speaker's Request account.**
- Bill 31 Sponsored by Speaker Elwood: *Ice Cream Social Purchase:*  
Speaker Elwood informs the congress that the funds will be used to rent an ice cream cart, and purchase a variety of ice cream novelties to distribute to guests at the COGS table for New Graduate Student Orientation. Representatives inquire where will the ice cream distribution take place and if there is a possibility of having nondairy options. Motion to call to question. Vote by voice. **Bill 31 is approved; \$500 from Speaker's Request Account.**

*Deputy Speaker Ward returns the chair to the Speaker.*

### **New Business: NONE**

**ROUNDTABLE:** Allen, Baker, Elwood, Guilbeau, Indrakanti, Lehn, Mendez, Mazzie, Peruche, Sharifi-Raini, Shu, Ward, Williams

**ADJOURNMENT:** 7:32 p.m.