

TWENTY SEVENTH CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS



Assembly Meeting
HCB 103
November 4, 2019
6:30 p.m.
MINUTES



Call to Order: 6:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance: Representative Lane

REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: Book, Creigh, Demirsoy, Hennighan, LaBayne, Mendez Morgan, Neslon, O'Neill, Shabbandeh,

REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, EXCUSED: None

REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, UNEXCUSED: None

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, EXCUSED: Blake-Hedges, Fisher, Solano

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, UNEXCUSED: Brinkman, Walton

REPRESENTATIVE LATE, EXCUSED: None

REPRESENTATIVES LATE, UNEXCUSED: Cheuwa

Reading and Approval of Minutes: Motion to Approve, Demirsoy; 2nd LeBayne; No Objections; APPROVED

Petitions into the Assembly: None

Special Introductions and Student Comments: None

Messages from Student Government: None

Report from the Office of Governmental Affairs: None

Elections: None

Report of Officers:

- **The Report of the Speaker:**

This will be my last time as Speaker of COGS, I will not run for reelection; I have been working with Beta Alpha Psi, which is an accounting fraternity and this has been a fun, new learning experience

- **The Report of the Deputy Speaker for Finance:**
The COGS Speaker reviewed the financial report created by the Deputy Speaker of Finance with the necessary and sufficient details to ensure COGS members were able to make informed decisions related to COGS business
- **The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Judicial Affairs**
None.
- **The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Communications**
None.

Committee Report:

- **C-SAC:** Three requests were heard before the meeting, Turkish Student Association, Anthropology Graduate Student Association, Social Leadership Student Organization.
- **Internal Affairs:** Has not met
- **Student Advocacy:** Has not met
- **Student Affairs:** Has not met

Funding Requests:

- Bill 28: Cheminoles
 - Sponsored by Representative LeBayne: This is the graduate chemistry student association and they are asking for funding for events and materials throughout the year. They are also requesting funding for instructional videos to provide free access as an online resource for students to understand the use of scientific instruments. Representative LeBayne also reviewed all of the events the organization is planning to host during the coming year, the predicted attendance. **1st Pro** – LeBayne – I think they have planned their events thoroughly and the events are large and will benefit the study body. Cray – 1 I love the pun in the name, 2 I think the amount of money requested for food is conservative for the attendance predicted. Mendez – they appear to be within the recommended limits. Chewa – as soon as they have a clear budget, if they achieve their goals, if they know we helped then that is meeting th goal of COGS **1st Con** – Demirsoy – Move to Amend – remove \$359 from the total bill; 2nd Morgan; Passes; Objection – Chewa – what is the assurance that they will have a camera? Withdrawn; Nelson – point of clarification – what is the \$200 for printing and advertising slated for march? Speaker – most of it would be for promotional; Lebayne – Motion to Amend – move to reduce the Expense category to \$298.12; 2nd Morgan; no objection; Motion to call the question – Morgan; 2nd Demirsoy; no objections
Vote: 9-0-1; APPROVED

Unfinished Business: None

- Bill 26: Code Revisions, LSC
Bill introduced by Speaker O’Neill with sufficient detail to allow COGs members to make an informed decision about the Bill; however, Speaker

reported Deputy Speaker CBH recommends tabling the bill; Motion to Table Bill 26 indefinitely – Mendez; 2nd Nelson; No objection

- **Bill 27: Code Revisions, MSC**
Bill was introduced by Speaker O'Neill with sufficient detail to allow COGS members to make an informed decision about the Bill, Speaker reported Deputy Speaker CBH recommends tabling the bill; Motion to Table Bill 27 indefinitely – Morgan, 2nd Mendez; No Objections

New Business:

- **Resolution 9: C-SAC Consent Resolution**
Introduced by Speaker O'Neill, recommending an amendment to resolution (subtract \$60 from Turkish Student Association); Turkish Student Association: requested \$299 to \$239; Social Leadership Student Organization requesting: \$300 to \$120; Anthropology Graduate Student Association requesting: \$797.01; Total requested: \$1,336.01; **PRO** Rep Mendez: Groups have good plans on how to spend money; Motion to amend: Rep Nelson \$299-\$239, from \$300 to \$120; 2nd O'Neill; No objections - amendment passes; Rep O'Neil motion, seconded by Dimirsoy. **VOTE: 9 – 0 -1; APPROVED**
- **Resolution 10**
COGS allocated \$1,500.00 in contractual funds to HiGSA; Now asking to give \$350.00 for skype presentation. **1st PRO:** Demirsoy, great job at every event, we should help them out, not their fault he cancelled. **1st CON:** None; Motion to call questions Mendez; Nelson 2nd. **VOTE: 9 – 0 -1; APPROVED**

Round Table: Blake-Hedges, Book, Fisher, Hennighan, Morgan, O'Neill, Shahbandeh, Creigh, Cheuwa, LaBayne, Mendez. Please keep in mind that we will be having a November training on an opposite Monday that is not a COGS meeting at 6:30 pm.

Adjournment: 8:35 PM

Next Meeting:

Monday, November 4, 6:30 PM, HCB 103

Fall Meetings

Monday, November 18, 6:30 PM, HCB 103

Monday, December 2, 6:30 PM, HCB 103