

TWENTY EIGHTH CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS



Assembly Meeting
Regular Session
Zoom
September 21, 2020
6:30 p.m.
MINUTES



Call to Order: 6:31

Pledge of Allegiance: Rep. Brinkman

REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: Brinkman, Blake-Hedges, Collins, Creigh, Ilesanmi, Mathesie, Cheuwa, Hirsch, Ola, Hagemeyer

REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, EXCUSED:

REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, UNEXCUSED:

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, EXCUSED: Morgan, Fomberg

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, UNEXCUSED:

REPRESENTATIVE LATE, EXCUSED:

REPRESENTATIVES LATE, UNEXCUSED:

Reading and Approval of Minutes: Motion to Approve Minutes, Mathesie; Brinkman 2nd; No Objections; APPROVED.

Petition into the Assembly: Alaba Ilesanmi (College of Music)

- Question period
- Will you have availability on Mondays – Brinkman
 - Yes – Ilesanmi
- Do you have experience in work such as this?
 - Yes, worked with student welfare at previous university.
- Pros –
 - Seems to have experience – Brinkman
 - Personal character reference – Creigh
 - Great he wants to focus on action of diversity and not just words- Hirsch
- Motion to call the question
- Vote – 9-0-0
- Candidate approved

Special Introductions and Student Comments:

Messages from Student Government: Jason Randall, Liaison Student Government and COGS/Grad Student Seat 3

Report from the Office of Governmental Affairs:

Elections:

- Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs
 - Brinkman nominated by Representative Hirsch
 - Pros -
 - Been involved for many years, is knowledgeable on how COGs operates. -Hagemeyer
 - She is prepared and understands what the role entails – Collins
 - She's the one for the job – Mathesie
 - Motion to call the question – Mathesie, second Hirsch.
 - Vote by secret ballot
 - 9-0-0, APPROVED

Report of Officers:

- **The Report of the Speaker**
 - Absent excused.

- **The Report of the Deputy Speaker for Finance**
 - Had a meeting with MSC to go over guidelines to begin funding organizations online
 - The funding freeze has been lifted but guidelines are still needed for funding
 - We will only be funding virtual events, no travel will be funded
 - We have put in two bills to move money to next funding period so that it can be used.

- **The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Judicial Affairs**
 - Nothing to report
- **The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Communications**
 - Planning a COGS social for Oct. 26 with more details to come.

Committee Report:

- **C-SAC:** have not met.
- **Internal Affairs:** have not met.
- **Student Advocacy:** have not met yet, but discussion has begun of semester goals, including childcare funding.
- **Student Affairs:** has set up a meeting for September 22nd at 6:30, but goals have been discussed for the semester.

Funding Requests:

- None

Unfinished Business:

- None

New Business:

- **Bill #19: Presentation Grant Transfer**
 - Transferring funds from previous presentation grant funding period to the coming period.
 - Questions
 - Pros-
 - Important to use this money for our students – Hagemeyer
 - Some grad students are concerned so its great that we'll be acting on it – Hirsch
 - Has also gotten many emails about grants, so virtual conferences are definitely something our students would be interested – Blake hedges
 - Motion to call the question- Mathesie, Second Brinkman.
 - **9-0-0, passed**
- **Bill #20: Attendance Grant Transfer**
 - No questions
 - Pros – once again, students are very eager to begin taking advantage of grants – Blake-hedges
 - **Passes, 9-0-0**
- **Resolution #9: Virtual Conference Funding**
 - Questions – none
 - Pros – none
 - Cons- none
 - Motion to call the question- Representative Hirsch, Second- Creigh.
 - **9-0-0, passes**

Round Table:

Adjournment: 7:35 pm

Next Meeting: October 5th, 2020