# **General Assembly Meeting**

Graduate and Professional Student Senate 08.25.22 | 5:30pm - 7:00pm

## **Prior General Assembly Meeting**

First meeting of the year

## In attendance

President | Ben Beiter: present Vice President | Chloe Robertson: present

Senators: 60 Quorum reached: yes

#### Motions

Approval for Director of Finance Motion made by Benjamin Beiter Final wording of motion: Call for motion to approve Jonathan Gendron as Director of Finance Vote: counted // approved

Approval of CGPSA Motion made by Benjamin Beiter Final wording of motion: Call for motion to approve Alice Fox as Chair of CGPSA Vote: counted // approved

Approval of Graduate Honor System Chair Motion made by: Benjamin Beiter Final wording of motion: Call for motion to approve Rose McGroarty as CHS Chair Vote: counted // approved

#### **General Notes**

#### Serving on committees and commissions

All senators need to serve on an internal committee, external committee, or external commission. If senators wish to reprise their role from last year they can, but will need to sign up again. Internal Committee

- Makes sure policies are running and resolution are past
- Makes sure policies are written.

Advocacy Committee

- Help graduate student organizations to organize advocacy events
- Currently help abortion access action day event
- Working on an affordable housing task force

**Event Committee** 

- Makes sure the execution of events runs smoothly
- Current events
  - Little hokie hand me down and drinking events
  - Halloween
  - Thanksgiving dinner

# **Programs Committee**

- GPSS programs provides important funding and professional opportunities
- supporting
- reviewing funding applications
- volunteering on event basis such as go
- not high commitment rules
- 2-3 hours per month

Finance Committee

- Gives out money to grad students for events
- Help director of finance to review applications for GSVB fundings

Communication Committee

- Works to ensure senators are kept informed
- Builds community through outreach

## **Old Business**

N/A

# **New Business**

*Elections for Director of Events* Candidates:

Mandip Chhetri Budhathoki

• Wasn't available to speak

Gia Hoa Hoang

- Graduate Student in Industrial Systems Engineering
- Loves movies (Dune especially)
- Believes engineering helps people learn to solve problems and wants to use these problem solving skills to better serve the senate and the senate community
- Feels the director of events should focus on connecting people

Yohan Sequeira

- Graduate student in Mechanical Engineering
- Enjoys communicating with graduate students in order to build community
- Has previous experience running events and fundraising

# **Closing Remarks**

Upcoming events

- GPSS Senator Social Saturday Sept.3rd Rising Silo First drink or app is on us!
- Taco Talk with the Dean Surprenant Fri. 2nd | 12:00 - 1:00pm https://gobblerconnect.vt.edu/event/8246792
- Halloween Costume Party Th. Oct. 27th | Moon Hollow
- Fall Social Mon, Nov. 14th

Signed:

Chloe Robertson