**General Assembly Meeting**

*Graduate and Professional Student Senate*

9-7-23, 5-7PM

**Prior General Assembly Meeting**

9-7-23, 5-7PM, hybrid in the GLC MPR and over zoom

**In attendance**

President | Rachel Maizel

Vice President | Yohan Sequeira

Senators: 45

Quorum reached: 45

**General Notes**

* Want to approve mins from last week
* Lots of cute dogs for GSBB to approve budgets for GSBB need one more CAAD student
* Same for CGPSA - need to have one more student as well

**Motions**

* Motion to approve mins from last week - passed
  + 41 in favor
  + 0 against
  + 0 abstain

**Exec Board Reports:**

* Some movement on the 5% fees and Comp fees
  + Comp fees meeting tomorrow
* 5% raise, will get information on that soon
  + Many people did not get that raise
  + VT also did not pull data from last year and summer, we need to get that information
* Housing information
  + Need to see why the university numbers and our numbers are not matching
    - Need to sift through data and get transparency
  + Work for housing mechanism to report imminent problems in housing in blacksburg
  + Work also for affordable housing plan for the future
  + Email yohan and rachel to help
* Climate survey
  + Send the climate survey pre-survey out to the constituents
  + If interested in analyzing the data, please reach out
* GPSS budget
  + Have not spent a lot, just food and BBQ
  + GSBB has not allocated new money yet, will do some in next few weeks
  + RSO’s can apply to GSBB
  + Total budget is 100k
* Commission and committee reports
  + CGPSP - keep diversity in VT community despite supreme court
* Director of advocacy elections
  + Fill out last year’s application form and email it to the elections CZAR
  + Poke them to join by 9-14-2

***Old Business***

* None

***New Business***

* Voting on committees for GPSS
  + Voting passed (see attached images for details)
  + Ranald is also parliamentarian
* GPSS data sharing
  + How do we share GPSS data - how do we share non-public data
  + Fill out the from and get two signatures from E-board
  + How can we change the public and private information so that we can add and retract the data at a time
  + How is personally identifiable information handled
    - Can FOIA request
  + Motion to retract statement about retraction in document
    - Passed for anonymity
  + Personal identifiable information what type of information exists
    - Sometimes a collection of data can lead to identifiable markers
    - Some instances of identifying information
    - Some tricky things to write about this policy, because it’s not a one size fits all policy
  + If we get a FOIA request, it becomes a significant issue, so we would like a different mechanism for requesting data
  + Propose that we can extend commenting period until the 14th so that we can be more fair about it
* GPSS statement on the virginia tech GLU
  + VT union went public on tuesday to support the union effort
  + We would like to release the statement
  + Voting on VT GLU statement
    - 33 for
    - 0 against
    - 0 abstain

**Signed:**

