

## December General Assembly Meeting Minutes

" All Graduate Students are Members Automatically"

Friday Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 @ 3pm

Location: Heritage Hall (East Campus)

- I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL *Parliamentarian* Stephanie Haft. (3:11 p.m.)
- II. PROCEDURAL ITEMS Parliamentarian Stephanie Haft
  - a. Oct. meeting minutes were approved.
  - b. Current agenda was approved.
- III. Q&A WITH PRESIDENT MONTGOMERY President Amaury Pineda
  - Introduction:

GSA President, Mr. Amaury Pineda introduced WMU President, Dr. Edward Montgomery. Several graduate students posed their questions, and concerns and President Montgomery addressed them.

IV. BUDGET REVISION PROPOSAL – Vice President – Zahra Ameli

Zahra introduced the GSA Director of Advocacy and Legislative Affairs, Mr. Damon Chambers.

Mr. Damon Chambers explained the reasons to move \$3,500 from the Local
 Advocacy line item to the NAGPS Conferences line items. The money is needed

to support the participation of three GSA Executive Board members who are currently serving on the NAGPS National Board, to attend their board meeting in Washington, D.C. in Jan. 2018.

- A motion was moved to approve the reallocation of funding.
- The motion was second and approved unanimously.

## V. GRADUATE STUDENT CONCERNS UPDATE

GSA President, Mr. Amaury Pineda provided explanations about the progress to solve some Graduate students concerns that were introduced in the previous GSA meeting.

- VI. HILLTOP REVIEW-JOURNAL *Hilltop Review Editor* Christina Collins Christina Collins provided information about the fall issue of the Hilltop Review journal.
- VII. WEEKEND OF SERVICE *Director of Outreach* Ruth Buntin

  In representation of Ruth Buntin who could not attend, Christina Collins spoke about the successful previous GSA weekend of service and the plans for upcoming one in Jan 15.
- VIII. DEAN'S UPDATE *Graduate College Acting Dean* Dr. Byrd-Jacobs Dr. Byrd-Jacobs provided the Graduate Dean's update and answered questions posed by students.
- IX. CALL FOR EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS President –

- GSA final fall event "Unwind and Dine" on Sunday, Dec. 3 from 5 to 9 p.m. in Revel & Roll West. Bowling, food, and games.
- Free massage to graduate students on Friday, Dec. 8. Bernhard Center Room #105 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

XI. ADJOURNMENT – *Parliamentarian* – Stephanie Haft. (4:35 p.m.)