Meeting Summary

- Updates provided and guest speakers from unionization efforts and Student Health Services.

Attendance

GPSG Executive Board Officers:
- Christopher Staten (President)
- Caitlin Sniezek (VP of Committees)
- Srilakshmi Kavikkal (VP of Communications)
- Shreyas Vamburkar (VP of Finance)
- Clarissa León (VP of Programming)
- Sarah Brooks (GSA)

GPSG Assembly Board Members:
- ANKUR
- CSSA
- GOSECA
- ISA
- A&S 1
- A&S 2
- A&S 3
- Biomedical
- Computing & Information

Absent:
- TASA
- Dental
- Education
- Katz (Professional)
- Pharmacy (PhD)

1. Call to Order
- President Staten called the meeting to order at 5:06pm

2. Approval of Minutes
- Motion to approve January minutes. Minutes approved. None opposed.

3. Old Business
- Discussion: Approve changes to GPSG Bylaws – discussion tabled until February AB Meeting
- Discussion: Implementing two-hour delays at Pitt
  - Difficult for students and faculty to get to campus
  - Will present to Council Meeting in February

4. Reports
- President’s Report
  - DACA
    - Handout provided to representatives to review. President Staten stressed the importance of the social impact this has on graduate students.
  - Free Headshots
    - Monday, February 26th, 4:00pm – 5:00pm
    - Friday, March 16th, 10:00am – 11:00am
    - Wednesday, April 4th, 2:00pm - 3:00pm
    - Friday, April 20th, 3:00pm – 4:00pm
- Team Teal Video Campaign
  - Representatives from GPSG will be in the video

- Committees’ Report
Proposed changes to GPSG Bylaws
- Change in language around communication requirements.
- Change to the attendance policy for AB and EB members.

Communications’ Report
- GPSG is live on LinkedIn now. Follow the page and add it to your profiles: https://www.linkedin.com/company/pittgpsg/
- AB Student Leader Spotlight
  - Be featured on our Facebook page: http://bit.ly/GPSGspotlight
- TEDxUniversityofPittsburgh
  - Salon 1 on February 4th was a success!
    a. Mindfulness of Care in Our Lives – Clark Chilson, Associate Professor in the Department of Religious Studies at the University of Pittsburgh
  - Salon 2 is in the works, with a tentative date of February 24th. More information to follow
  - Do you have any idea worth spreading or a speaker you think the TEDxUniversityofPittsburgh team needs to know about? Submit your ideas here:
    a. https://goo.gl/1dDZq
    b. https://goo.gl/PPcCig

Finance’s Report
- GPSG Financial Report
- GPSG and GSA’s expenses
- January Travel Grants
- Supplemental Funding

Programming’s Report
- Pirates game April 7th
- Event with CMU, Happy Hour mixer - mid/later March
- Spring Fling - late April
- Rowhouse Movie Night – March 17th
- Pitt Arts: Moby Dick Sat. Mar. 17 - 8:00 PM - Pittsburgh Opera
- Pitt Arts: Spring Flower Show & Tour - Sat. Mar. 31st at 1:00 PM - Phipps Conservatory
- Interdisciplinary Event in the works

Executive Administrator’s Report
- 2018 Leadership & Service Awards
  - Application Deadline in 2 days – February 16th
  - Award Ceremony will take place March 14th at 4:30pm, prior to the start of the March AB Meeting. All AB representatives are expected to attend in support of award recipients.
- 2018 GPSG Executive Board Elections
  - Call for candidates – February 15 – March 8 – will be sending out all information to you tonight
  - Candidate Information Session – February 23rd at 12:00pm
- Hiring for 2018 - 2019 Executive Administrator
  - Accepting applications – February 20 – March 13

Assembly Board Member Reports
- Arts & Sciences
  - Committee on Diversity and Inclusion – Resource Fair
    a. February 28th, 12:00pm – 4:00pm, WPU Ballroom
- Biomedical
  - No report
- Dental Medicine
  - No report
- Education
5. Committee Reports
   - See full reports on website (www.gpsg.pitt.edu)

6. New Business
   - Discussion: Approve changes to GPSG Bylaws

7. Guest Speakers
   - Marian Vanek, Direct of Health Services
   - Graduate Student Union Representative

8. Announcements
   - Christina Ong, PhD Student, Department of Sociology
     - Will be joining us for the remainder of the semester to observe GSPG AB Meetings
• Free Headshots by Student Affairs:
  o Friday, March 16th, 10:00am – 11:00am
  o Wednesday, April 4th, 2:00pm – 3:00pm
  o Friday, April 20th, 3:00pm – 4:00pm
• Next month’s meeting will be Wednesday, March 14th at 4:30pm in Posvar Hall 5604

Meeting Adjourned at 6:10pm