

## January Committees Report

Committee	Equity, Inclusion, Anti-Discrimination, & Advocacy
<b>GPSG Student Representative</b>	Emilie Transue
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<b>Meeting Date</b>	January 17, 2019
<b>Meeting Summary</b>	Discussed Faculty Assembly updates. Shared my new initiative to create an administrative directory of Diversity Related Groups at the University. Discussed status of EIADAC GRE Use Report.
<b>Next Scheduled Meeting</b>	February 21, 2019

Committee	Plant Utilization and Planning
<b>GPSG Student Representative</b>	Sami Mian
<b>Representative Email</b>	SAM415@pitt.edu
<b>Meeting Summary</b>	<p>Learned about the groundskeeping department (and how they are addressing the bird problem).</p> <p>Learned about the new facility management system, and met the workflow director</p>
<b>Next Scheduled Meeting</b>	February 18, 2019

Committee	Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching Award
<b>GPSG Student Representative</b>	Matt Borrelli
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<b>Meeting Date</b>	January 16, 2019
<b>Meeting Summary</b>	Selected finalists for CDTA
<b>Next Scheduled Meeting</b>	November 15, 2019

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Tenure and Academic Freedom</b>
<b>GPSG Student Representative</b>	Amanda Leifson
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<b>Meeting Date</b>	January 22, 2019
<b>Meeting Summary</b>	<p>Discussion of an ad hoc meeting by the Provost office to discuss giving schools flexibility in determining the tenure clock for their faculty members</p> <p>Presentation of data that shows that the number of tenure faculty at the university have been steady, but there has been a remarkable increase to the number of non-tenure stream across schools in the last couple of years</p> <p>Contentious discussion of 3 ongoing disputes into tenure proceedings</p>
<b>Next Scheduled Meeting</b>	December 4, 2018

<b>Committee</b>	<b>University Council on Graduate Study</b>
<b>GPSG Student Representative</b>	Oliver Beale
<b>Representative Email</b>	Omb16@pitt.edu
<b>Meeting Date</b>	January 22, 2019
<b>Meeting Summary</b>	<p>Proposal for Masters in Science at the School of Medicine in Computational Biomedicine and Biotechnology</p> <p>Proposal to establish a new certificate in Cybersecurity, Policy &amp; Law in the School of Computing and Information and Graduate School of Public and International Affairs and to establish a minor in Cybersecurity, Policy &amp; Law in the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs</p> <p>Discussion on Title IX</p> <p>Announcements: <b>AAU Survey &amp; SERU survey upcoming</b>; Micro-credential policies approved; Salesforce roll out</p>
<b>Next Scheduled Meeting</b>	February 19, 2019

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Senate Research Committee</b>
<b>GPSG Student Representative</b>	Beverly Conrique
<b>Representative Email</b>	<a href="mailto:BGI2@pitt.edu">BGI2@pitt.edu</a>
<b>Meeting Date</b>	January 25, 2019
<b>Meeting Summary</b>	<p><b>1. Research update</b> At the end of last semester, the committee sent out updates to departments on research procedures and policies and feedback has been positive thus far.</p> <p><b>2. Discussion of foreign influence in research</b> - Department of Defense will be holding a meeting about China as a threat for them to brief us on what they've been seeing (their goal to acquire technologies to become a world leader by 2020, and these are AI, robotics, etc. through espionage, IP theft, research collaborations, talent programs, etc.). They're visiting CMU and West Virginia U as well. This is the start of a national outreach to alert universities and other research orgs of threats China presents. Three DOD representatives and five FBI agents are coming for this meeting, which will be held on Tuesday 1/29. This meeting is a closed meeting.</p> <p><b>3. Intellectual property policy update</b> - The re-do on policy of policies (intellectual property policy) is going well and streamlined now. The Chancellor now has to sign off on the policy. This policy will be applicable to all of Pitt. All policies at Pitt live on the CFO's website but will be moved to a new Office of Policy Management (for research practices at the University).</p> <p><b>4. New business</b> - Dr. Arthur Levine (senior vice chancellor for the health sciences and the John and Gertrude Petersen Dean in our School of Medicine) is stepping down. There will be a process for individuals who will replace him. This process has begun.</p>
<b>Next Scheduled Meeting</b>	February 22, 2019

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Research Council</b>
<b>GPSG Student Representative</b>	Alexandria Harris
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<b>Meeting Dates</b>	January 17, 2019
<b>Meeting Summary</b>	<p>Search of assistant vice chancellor for research in the humanities, arts, social sciences, and related fields. They are asking for feedback on what to look for in the position and applicants. Require a cover letter and a recommendation form from a dean or department head (dean preferred). Position is expected to be a 3 year term with ~50% of time devoted to the position.</p> <p>Memo to remind those involved with the university research, contact, etc with members of other nations. - Nothing changes with the school policy but may need to be careful in the future if the federal government policy changes.</p> <p>Update on CRDF applications and review</p> <p><b>Student feedback requested:</b></p> <p>The position for assistant vice chancellor for research for the humanities, arts, social sciences, and related fields is a position designed to support non-STEM schools receive support for their academic endeavors. They are currently looking for feedback on some of the hopes for the position and ways that may benefit research collaborations between the schools.</p> <p>So far, the requirements include developing external funding sources for the departments, identifying nominees for awards and fellowships, advocate for these non-stem fields, and advocate at campus leadership discussion.</p> <p>Applications are due March 1st, so the role may be more defined as time goes on. I would like to submit recommendations for scope of the position at the next council meeting.</p>
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