

Minutes
Graduate Student Senate Meeting
Tuesday, 29 August 2006

Chairman Bechtel called the regular meeting of the Graduate Student Senate of the Georgia Institute of Technology to order at 1116. Secretary Jenson was recording the minutes. The roll was called and the following senators were present or entered the meeting at a later time: Brancato, Carnasciali, Chandler, Dam, Feigh, Greco, Gupta, Herndon, Hubble, Jenson, Kim, Padove, Skinner, Wornyo, Vishwanathan, Warta and Weinstein. Senators Bivek, Geyer, Granier, Kothari, McKenzie, Norville, and Williams were absent. President Keller was in attendance. The minutes of the 22 August 2006 meeting were approved as distributed.

Guest Speakers

Rosalind Meyers welcomed the senators back. Her if you have any Auxiliary Services concerns. They will take all suggestions seriously. A senator asked about food in the new M building. Ms. Meyers responded that there will be an Einstein's in the M building and there will be a café upstairs. Senator Herndon expressed his concerns about campus lighting. He was referred to Debbie Green, acting Director of Campus Planning. It was announced that the second floor renovation of the student center will begin in spring.

Mike Edwards, CRC director, spoke next. Senator Gupta asked about lighting at the tennis center. Mr. Edwards replied that lighting and renovation of the Peters parking deck courts is an option that is being explored.

Officer Reports

- Coordinating Officer (None):
 - No report.
- Secretary (Jenson):
 - The sign in sheet will be on the small table near the entrance all semester. Please remember to use it.
- Treasurer (Palmer):
 - No report.
- Vice President (Bechtel):
 - The Graduate student picnic T-shirt design was displayed. We are trying to get to wireless voting system to work.
- President (Keller):
 - Gave an update on the Sklar lawsuit. Only housing speech policies were changed. The rest of the lawsuit is proceeding. There are always 7500 seats for students at all football games.

Committee Reports

- Internal Affairs (Brancato): Copies of the new Constitution and Bylaws have been submitted as bills. Be sure to register for elections.

Unfinished Business:

06G103 - Allocation to the Black Graduate Student Association (Author: Sherron Burgess) Senator David **MOVED** to assume authorship. There was no objection. Feigh **MOVED** to postpone one week. Passed by voice vote.

06G103 WAS POSTPONED (2nd postponement).

06G108 - Joint Allocation to Georgia Tech Night at Six Flags (Author: Mitch Keller)

President Keller stated that this bill follows the same formula as in the past and that this is a very popular event. Senator David **MOVED** the previous question.

06G108 PASSED 16-0

New Business:

Officer nominations and voting:

Coordinating Officer:

Senator Dam declined his nomination. Senator Hubble accepted her nomination. Senator David **MOVED** confirm Senator Hubble as Coordinating Officer by unanimous acclamation. There was no objection.

Treasurer:

Brancato nominated Senator Dam. Dam accepted the nomination. Senator Dam was confirmed by unanimous acclamation.

06G111 - Revised Amendments to the Bylaws of the Graduate Student Senate (Author: Adam Brancato)

06G112 - Revised Amendments to the Constitution of the Graduate Student Senate (Author: Adam Brancato)

Open Forum:

Feigh was concerned about the poor condition of the online bill system, as it seems to get worse every year. There were numerous concerns about the availability of tickets for the Notre Dame game.

Senator David **MOVED** to adjourn at 12:05.

Minutes recorded and submitted by David Jenson.