

**Minutes**  
**Graduate Student Senate Meeting**  
**Tuesday, January 9, 2007**

Chairman Bechtel called the regular meeting of the Graduate Student Senate of the Georgia Institute of Technology to order at 11:15. Senators Ahmad, Brancato, Calanni, Carnasciali, Chandler, Dam, Ejimofor, Goldman, Greco, Gupta, Herndon, Husserl, Kokko, Mappus, Marek, Padove, Pedicino, Sinha, Skinner, Vishwanathan, Wester, Wissman, Wornyo, Zahorian were present or came in at a later time. Senators Burrell, David, Entrekin, Feigh, Geyer, Granier, Gupta, Hubble, Jenson, Kothari, Lucki, Norville, Roth, Sinclair, Warta were absent. The approval of the minutes was postponed due to the inability to post them to the Internet. President Keller was not in attendance.

**Officer Reports:**

<b>Coord. Officer:</b> <b>(Wester)</b>	No report.
<b>Secretary:</b> <b>(Herndon)</b>	Reminded the Senate about attendance policy.
<b>Treasurer:</b> <b>(Dam)</b>	No report.
<b>Vice President:</b> <b>(Bechtel)</b>	Had a meeting with housing regarding new graduate housing procedures. Next week will be the MSFAC meeting. Please have people contact him with block information—particularly Material Science and Management. If you attend games, how would you feel about paying \$5-\$10 for tickets?
<b>President:</b> <b>(Keller)</b>	Not present.

**Committee Reports:**

<b>Health-Welfare:</b> <b>(Herndon)</b>	Insurance waiver is by semester. We'll try to clear up any confusion about that via email. Problems trying to schedule appointments over the break should be cleared up. There will be a \$200 subsidy to cover health insurance costs for GRAs/GTAs; this will not be repeated.
<b>Internal Affairs:</b> <b>(Brancato)</b>	There will be a new elections code next semester. Looking for new members for Internal Affairs.
<b>Housing:</b> <b>(Pedicino)</b>	Held meeting with housing to determine how new grad housing policies will work.
<b>Academic Affairs:</b> <b>(Chandler)</b>	March 9 <sup>th</sup> Research Symposium. Will give prize money; we have to recruit judges. Not the same as the symposium that had an email sent by the megamod list last week.

## **Unfinished Business:**

- **07G036/06U056 Joint Allocation to Chinese Student Association (Greco)**

Greco: Yield time to Rep. Rep: This event is supposed to be something like Black History Month for Asians. Culture night at the Student Center Ballroom, 3 zones: science-fair-like displays on countries; performances; fashion shows. Trivia night as well. Comedy act from New York.

JFC recommends striking lines 5 (plane tickets), 15 (table cloths) and 21 (posters); and amending line 6 (av rental) to \$50, line 7 (posters) to \$20, line 8 (banners) to \$36, line 9 (chalk) to \$9, and line 22 (flowers) to \$50 for a new total of \$6,085.50 (PY).

Greco: our copy of the bill only has up to line 14. Other copies have all lines. Official version has more lines  
Brancato: Do you have a specific date. A: No, we're going to try to have it around Chinese New Year. We're also trying not to conflict with Black History Month.  
Greco: What were plane tickets for? A: An entertainment group from California. They'll be coming anyway. CSA will provide funding.  
Ahmad: How many countries will be involved? A: Many.  
Ejuimofor: Is this just CSA? A: It's joint, it's just being organized by the CSA. It involves Philippino Students, Korean, Indian fraternity, Asian sorority, CSA, and others.  
Ejimofor: Who is the guest money funding? A: television analyst Dr. Sanjay Gupta.  
Sinha: How many students do you expect to attend this? A: If Dr. Gupta comes, at least 200. The comedic acts should be around 100 at each event. Trivia should be about 100 because of location (Jr's grill).  
Brancato: MOVED to amend per JFC. Motion was AMENDED per JFC. The motion came to question. Motion PASSED 23-0.

- **07G039/06U059 Joint resolution supporting Student Regent (Wornyo)**

Wornyo: Is there a rep here? Ask to postpone until the president is here? Grant: we don't have any undergrad author then. . It was postponed because we were going to see if we had support from other schools. Mitch was going to take care of that.  
Motion was POSTPONED for one week

- **07G040/06U060 Joint allocation to Mens' Lacrosse Team (Wornyo):**

Wornyo: Yield time to reps. Co presidents of Men's Lacrosse team. Request for New jerseys, new gloves, and allocation for trainers. Jerseys are three years old—this will be the fourth year. Also requesting away jerseys. Increase from 32 to 40 members this year. Trainers are there to take care of people if they get hurt. Trainers are league mandated.

JFC recommends amending Line 6 to come from the Prior Year account. New total \$700 (PY), \$9,470 (CO).

Greco: Are the gloves league mandated? A: Yes, also most important piece of equipment after the helmet. They last three years. They manufacturer will cover the gloves for three years. Greco: Do we ever fund trainers? JFC: Can't recall a time that they've been funded in a bill. Rep: We asked last year and received funding. Goldman: Why do away jerseys need to be different from home jerseys? A: Home always has to be light. Color conflicts. Carnishali: How many people play at an away game? A: We take 40, we try to get as many people in as possible. Brancato: MOVED to amend per JFC. Motion was AMENDED. Herndon: Can multiple individuals share a jersey? A: No. Greco MOVED to accept by unanimous acclimation. Motion PASSED by unanimous acclimation.

**New Business:**

- **07G042/06U062 Joint Allocation to GT Women's Volleyball Club (Feigh)**
- **07G043/06U060 Joint Allocation to I-Movie Fest (Feigh)**

**Open Forum:**

- Ejimofor: There is a MLK ecumenical service in the ballroom, open to public.
- Herndon: Pandemic Flu committee wants to make a handout to explain emergency preparedness. \$200 insurance reimbursement should show up on Bursar's Bill.
- Shinha: The GRA student waiver seems to come late this year. Wissman: waiver came a few days late even for people who registered on time.
- Greco: What has happened to the promotional posters? Herndon: Committee is working on them.

Greco MOVED to adjourn at 11:55.