

3:03 Commencement

Roll Call

Present:

Melinda Bratsch-Horsager (she/her) VP of External Affairs

Trygve Vandal (he/him) VP of Internal Affairs

Rayni Lussier (she/her) Communications Liaison

Zach Lynch (he/him) Legislative Liaison

Sophie Parker (she/her) Director of Legislative Affairs

Abbey Maroney (any pronouns) historian and policy analyst

Kayla Mahnke Hargett (she/her) Advisor

M Haynes (She/They) Elections commissioner

Absent:

Demetrius Romero (he/him) Chief Justice EXCUSED

3:05 Acknowledgement of the medicine creek treaty

3:06 Public comment

- Kat Beck (she/her) from washpirg
- Working to secure funding right now to keep working
- So far talked to 160 greener's about voting, and vote yes for washpirg

3:08 approval of the meeting minutes from BOR 3/17/21

- Motion to approve from Trygve
- Seconded by sophie
- Passes 5-0-0

3:09 elections commissioner report from M

- We have 294 students have voted which is enough to certify our election results
- Now we are just hoping to get as many more students to vote as we can

3:10 Kayla

- I want to do check-ins with folks this quarter
- I need to be strategic about times, can I join your executive board meeting or something as a model for advisor check-ins. Maybe people in groups can come to me together to save time
- How do you feel about that? I want to know how I can best support your goals
- Sophie- maybe we could use a scheduling app to schedule when people meet with you
- Kayla- I think it would be effective for you to meet in groups
- Trygve- we allowed people to organize themselves as long as we got all of our meetings covered, It felt restricting to put people in groups
- Kayla- meeting with people in charge of communications would be best for me
- Trygve- I could make groups for meeting with you?
- Kayla- what I want to know is who I should be reaching out to, to try and reach people. I would rather it be scheduled than open office hours style.
- Melinda- we exhausted the time for this topic so with no further discussion we will move on

3:24 conversion of GSU learning allotment to hourly pay with Trygve

- We are dealing with a harsh financial situation. If we switched to hourly we would save quite a bit of money. It's not enough to make it where we won't have to go to S&A but we would be able to ask for quite less, \$3k instead of \$9k. It might be annoying to have to do a time sheet but it would be quite financially beneficial. What does this mean for compensation? \$560 decrease in pay, there would also be withholdings that would decrease it. Its at least worth it to investigate it.
- Some of the details still need to be worked out. Stipends and hourly function differently and have different rules. We should use the job description for the jobs we have as the evaluative information to confirm we should get paid.
- GSU has paid hourly before and its not uncommon for student governments to pay hourly
- Melinda-I think this is a step in the right direction and all groups will have to be tightening their proverbial belt. I think it sucks but it's what we need to do.
- Trygve- if we weren't in a funny financial situation this would not be cost effective, but since we are—it is.
- Trygve- people should on average be working 16 and can work up to 19. It ultimately might not matter what we decide the hourly wage is, but in practicality it is an important idea to establish.
- Abbey-would you be awarded work study for working for GSU?
- Trygve- I would utilize those with outstanding work study amounts but no one would get work study for being in GSU. We wouldn't have to get rehired.
- Abbey- what if someone has more work study \$\$ than would be awarded working at \$14 an hour for 16 hours a week? Could they get paid more per hour in order to use up their work study award?
- Trygve- work study is capped at 19hrs a week. That's why stipends are good because you can work and get paid for GSU without worrying about your hours. Even if work study is off the table we would still be saving a lot.
- Trygve- technically it wouldn't be using up a stipend amount, it's a whole different system. To be totally upfront, there is comp for per position assuming 16 hrs a week would decrease from \$2800 to \$2250 which is not an insignificant amount.

- Melinda- We've exhausted the time frame for this discussion.
- Trygve- if we want to do this we need to do it soon.
- Zach – can we talk about it on Friday?
- Trygve- it would make it increasingly hard.
- Kayla- it changes my role and I have more questions. Could we take on the vote on next weeks meeting?
- Abbey-can we change the stipend to the hourly expected \$\$ to still save money?
- Trygve- we could do that but it becomes semantics, its better but it's not optimal. Students can supervise other students. We can turn the Friday team meeting into an emergency meeting.
- Trygve- motions to table discussion until next BOR meeting
- Rayni seconds
- Motion passes 5-0-0

3:49 Trygve motions to table the mou shared governance discussion until next meeting

- Zach seconds
- Passes 5-0-0

3:51 Advisor report Kayla

- We are getting prepared for the 2021 general election
- The dates for the next election hub are October 28th 2021. They want them the same day/time all down I-5
- Related to the ballot. I am eligible to vote, this is the first time the GSU advisor has been able to vote. I'm not going to but we should talk about what this means.
- Trygve- you are totally free and able to vote.
- Kayla- I don't want to further complicate what feels like it has been a messy process.
- Kayla-I want to talk about fall quarter, what it would mean to be more hybrid in Fall quarter 2021. I will put it on the agenda for a future meeting. How do students want to experience fall quarter? We know how staff wants to experience it! I do anticipate a number of changes. I will be on medical leave in Fall. I want to be upfront about that. Any questions?

3:57 no announcements

3:57 sophie motions to end the meeting

- Trygve seconds
- Passes 5-0-0
- Meeting adjourns at 3:57