General Council Meeting 7 Agenda April 3, 2017

Location: HUB 355 (UCR)  
Time: 7-8 PM

Items for discussion:

01. Roll Call

02. Announcements
   *Upcoming conferences or events that Reps would like to share with the General Council. Items requiring discussion should be submitted to the President at least one week in advance of the meeting to be included as an agenda item.
   a. DIAL position has been funded for 2017-2018
   b. GSSF Referendum has passed UCOP and will be on the ballot
   c. Elections are April 17-20, 2017
   d. Grad R’Pantry Update
   e. Earth Week
   f. Rep Announcements?

03. Approve minutes from last meeting
   Online: gsa.ucr.edu
   Vote

04. Approve General Council Agenda
   Vote

05. Confirmations:
   a. CTG Coordinator
      Confirm Jose Medrano
      Vote
   b. AGSM AAO Open
   c. Positions for 2017-2018 will be announced by the next GSC meeting

06. Guest: Brooke Chang, Title IX Director

07. Bylaw Change for GSHIP Officer
   See attached
   Vote
   We will have a number of Bylaw recommendations for the May and June meetings
08. Events and Allocations
   a. SoCal Regional MAP Conference, Philosophy: $512.50  Vote
   b. Struggles for Governmental Autonomy and Self-Determination in Mexico and Beyond, Ethnic Studies: $1000.00  Vote
   c. 8th Annual Mechanical Engineering Graduate Student Research Symposium, Mechanical Engineering: $1000.00  Vote

09. Unofficial Transcripts
   We are still working on resolving the issue with the Unofficial Transcripts.
   1) Interim Grad Dean Kevin Esterling and Shawn will meet with the Registrar
   2) Grad Council (an Academic Senate committee) has written a letter of support
   3) We are soliciting department support (chairs, graduate advisors, grad students)
   4) Email letters of support to gsauer.projects@gmail.com

   Brief Discussion

10. Graduate Student Housing
    North District Apartments

11. Student Recreation Center
    a. Summer Fees
       We are still working on reducing summer fees even more than what we accomplished last year, but it likely will not happen for this summer.
       Summer SRC usage: $80 for 40 day passes (equals 3-4 visits/week)
       You may not get less, but you can buy additional days for $2/day
       If you leave and return in the same day, let them know so that you do not get charged twice in one day.
       For reciprocity with other UCs or unlimited access, the fee is $208 for the summer.
    b. SRC Usage Discussion

12. Travel grant update
    a. Update from CTG Coordinator, Jose Medrano
    b. Brief discussion of CTG projections from 2017-2018

13. Finance update
    a. State of the accounts: all items within budget
    b. We are working on a basic report to include in future GSC meetings

14. Upcoming:
    a. May GSC meeting: Bylaw Changes and Budget
    b. June GSC meeting: Budget confirmation, final bylaw changes, visit from the Mayor
    c. End of the Year BBQ & Business Meeting (May): outgoing and incoming Mini-GSA officers
    d. Next year: Leadership Training for GSC Reps, in coordination with Student Life

15. Officer reports are online

16. New Business
    *If possible, new business should be submitted at least one week in advance as an agenda item

17. Adjourn
Bylaw Change Request
Approved by Bylaw Committee on April 3, 2017

Section II: Stipends

A. The following amounts shall be paid to the officers during the academic year as follows:

6. The GSHIP Officer shall receive $2,750 annually to be paid biweekly, July through June.

The request is to extend the term of the GSHIP Officer by two months, from ten months to twelve months. Currently, the term is September through June. This would make it July through June. At this point, this does not change the annual stipend, it just spreads it out over twelve months instead of ten.

Rationale: Graduate Students have health insurance through the summer. This provides a GSA officer to address issues that might arise during the summer. Additionally, the Health Insurance Committee meets during the summer and makes important decisions. It is important that we continue to have a vote over the summer.