General Council Meeting 6 Agenda March 1, 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.

03. Approve minutes from last meeting

Online: gsa.ucr.edu

Vote

04. Approve General Council Agenda

Vote

05. Confirmations:

a. **New SOM AAO**
   Confirm Kevin Westbrook as AAO for SOM
   Vote
b. **CTG Coordinator**
   Confirm CTGC
   Vote
c. **AGSM AAO Position Still Open**
   Call for Applicants

06. Bylaw Change for Finance Officer

See attached

Vote

07. Elections Update for 2017-2018

GSA Elections will take place April 17-20, 2017: elections.gsa.ucr
Call for Nominations is open until March 13, 2017
The following GSA positions are elected:

1) President (requires 6 months experience in GSA)
2) Executive Vice President (requires 6 months experience in GSA)
3) Vice President of Academic Affairs (requires 6 months experience in GSA)
4) Finance Officer & Grant Writer
5) Public Relations Officer
6) GSHIP/Health Insurance Officer

08. Graduate Student Certificate Program

09. Events and Allocations

a. Philosophy UCR Graduate Student Philosophy Conference $1250.00 **Vote**

10. Parking and Alternative Transportation Discussion

Shawn was appointed to the University TAPS Advisory Committee, which will be providing detailed feedback and suggestions to the university on issues related to parking and alternative transportation. Please bring your thoughts on the following to the General Council meeting (they will be communicated to the committee):

1) Parking concerns/issues/comments
2) Bicycle lanes/access
3) Bus/RTA concerns/issues/comments
4) Ideas for alternative transportation

Discussion

11. Travel grant update

a. Update from CTG Coordinator (VPAA)
b. Brief discussion of CTG projections from 2017-2018
c. Conference Travel Grants: Allocation: $177,001.82
(as of January 31, 2017) Expenditures: $54,009.52
**does not include Grad Div $* Balance: $122,992.30

12. 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

13. Updates:

DIAL
Sustainability
GSHIP

14. Officer reports are online

15. New Business

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

16. Adjourn

Bylaw Change Request
Approved by Bylaw Committee on February 27, 2017

Section XVI: Miscellaneous Duties of Elected Officers

C. Finance Officer

1. The Finance Officer shall prepare a quarterly report of GSA finances to be submitted to the President prior to the beginning of the following academic quarter in question. This does not include the Spring quarter report, which will instead take the form of an Annual Report.

2. The Finance Officer, with the President, will attend at least one meeting with the Chancellor's Office regarding the state of GSA funding.

3. The Finance Officer shall write grants on behalf of the GSA.

The request is to add line 3 to the bylaws. This would make the Finance Officer responsible for writing grants on behalf of the GSA to find alternative means to support some of the GSA activities, notably the awards that we provide (e.g. Conference Travel Grants, Department Co-Sponsorship Award, Community Outreach Award).