



## **Graduate Representative Organization**

### **GC Meeting Minutes**

**Date/Time: 18:30 PM ET August 26th, 2024**

[Zoom](#)

---

#### **Meeting Agenda:**

- I. Call to Order and Agenda Review
  - Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm
- II. Welcome message and overview of GRO by the co-chair: Arman
  - GRO responsibilities to the graduate student community
  - Current status of location for GC and e-board meeting on TBD due to 25 live new rule for booking rooms.
  - Refresher on what it takes to be a Rep and accompanied responsibilities
    1. What makes a quorum and why we need to have a quorum
    2. Approval process for any motion explained
    3. Voting process explained
    4. Volunteering for event and where to get more information as a GC including Bylaws, website and e-board
    5. Understanding implication of missing meeting or more than one vote in meeting: you may forfeit your department eligibility for conference grant
- III. Approval of May 6th Meeting Minutes: [📄 GC Minutes 05.06.24](#)
  - Motion to approve minutes (ID 122)
  - Minute were approved at 6:44 pm
- IV. Executive Board Election: Health & Wellness Chair (20 min)
  - Nominees get to pitch and get questioned for 5 minute

- Voting outcome: Patricia Nwoka became the new Health and Wellness chair with most Reps vote
- V. Shared governance council (SGA) nominee from KSAS
- Advisory body with sole purpose of bringing faculty, admin and student together to develop and review policy that affect KSAS
  - Chris volunteered to be new SGA volunteer for KSAS
- VI. Upcoming meeting and GC visitors
- KSAS and WSE advisors: Arman stated we would be having Megan barrett and Jasmine Harris for both schools in addition to the Deans and Vice-deans meeting tentative in October
  - Health and Wellness center
  - Library
  - TRU
  - Arman requested that Reps send preferred days in the week to schedule Deans and Vice-deans meeting for optimum attendance
  - Request for additional visitors of interest to the GC
    1. No recommendation was made at the meeting
    2. Send email to Arman or GRO on any recommendations
- VII. E-Board updates
- Secretary: new department representatives, please contact Ayo and Samee for onboarding and update rep status
  - Social chair - Satvik complained about Hopkins group letting more than the intended amount of students join the welcome banquet. (300 registered instead of 150 budgeted)
    1. Seek for volunteers for the casino event primarily to transport he tables to the hall
- VIII. Open Discussion & Questions
- Focus groups
    1. Arman - Working with the new advocacy chair (Shubham) to in further establishing and supporting focus groups fulfill its mandate
    2. Garby fronting the advisor and advisee focus group efficiently

3. Arman to check on lead for the safety focus group for update
- Health and Wellness center: Scheduling Annual Physicals
  1. Leib Celnik (History of science and tech) stated Homewood student and wellness center are not scheduling annual physicals as of June 2024. Think this may be due to insufficient staffing.
  2. Alessandra Bertacch - Mention she got physicals in July
  3. Arman - work with advocacy chair and new health and well chair to get recent update on the scheduling conditions

IX. Vote to adjourn

- Motion to adjourn, passes (Voting ID: 123)
- Meeting adjourned

I. Voting Results

<b>Voting Motion ID</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>123</b>
<b>Motion</b>	Vote to approve meeting minutes of 05/06/24	Motion to adjourn 08/26/24
Anthropology		
Applied Mathematics & Statistics (AMS)	Yea	Yea
History of Art		
Biology	Yea	Yea
Biomedical Engineering (BME)		
Biophysics	Yea	Yea
Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering	Yea	Yea
Chemistry	Yea	Yea
Civil Engineering	Yea	Yea
Classics		
Cognitive Science		
Computer Science		
Economics	Yea	Yea
Electrical & Computer Engineering (ECE)	Yea	Yea
Engineering Management	Yea	Yea
English	Yea	Yea
Environmental Health and Engineering (formerly DOGEE)		
EPS (Earth and Planetary Sciences)	Yea	Yea
Modern Languages and Literatures (Formerly GRLL)		
History	Yea	Yea
History of Science and Technology	Yea	Yea
Comp Thought and Literature		
Information Security Inst		
Materials Science & Engineering	Yea	Yea
Mathematics		
Mechanical Engineering	Yea	Yea
Near Eastern Studies (NES)		
Philosophy		
Physics and Astronomy	Yea	Yea
Political Science	Yea	Yea
Psychological and Brain Sciences		
Sociology	Yea	Yea

<b>Voting Motion ID</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>123</b>
<b>Motion</b>	<b>Vote to approve meeting minutes of 05/06/24</b>	<b>Motion to adjourn 08/26/24</b>
Writing Seminars		
Robotics		
Co-Chair 1	Yea	Yea
Co-Chair 2		
Secretary	Yea	Yea
Treasurer		
Admin & Funding		
Social 1		
Social 2		
Advocacy 1		
Advocacy 2		
Communications		
Diversity		
Graduate Involvement Chair		
Professional Development		
Intercampus Co-ordinator		
Intercampus Chair	Yea	Yea
Summer sports coordinator		
Health & Wellness		
Security Concerns Chair		
<b>Yea</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Nay</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Abstain</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>