

**GAPSA General Assembly Meeting Agenda**  
**LBC 203**

*December 4, 2018, 6:30 pm*

1. Call to Order **6:40 pm**
2. Roll Call

<b>Office</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Proxy</b>
President	Nithya Kasireddy		
Exec VP	Davette Gadison	x	
Uptown VP	Eidan Shalom	x	
Downtown VP	Alyssa Fears	x	
Finance VP	Arianne Sacramento	x	
Communications VP	Lauren Swintoniewski	x	
Advisor	John Nonnamaker	x	
GSSA	Edward Sawyer	x	
	Zainab Lateefi	x	
	Hannah Aziz	x	
	Sabrina Kragness	x	
	Evan Wells		
Business	Liuning Yan		
	Caitlyn Mayhorn	x	
	Aakash Amin	x	
	Adam Skolnick		
PNBA non-voting	Maria Dietrich		Lisa Meador
Law	Benjamin Russell	x	
	Andrew Thrasher	x	
	Christopher Williams - Lopez	x	
	Benjamin de Seingalt	x	

Medical	Carrie Crook	x	
	Peter Haskins		Maggie
	Adin Reisner	x	
	Tomi Akingbola	x	
Public Health	Lina Abdel-Mageed		
	Miia Newman	x	
	Annie (Rhae) Cisneros	x	
	William Castleberry	x	
Social Work	Amy O'Brien		
	Mark Rogers		
	Chloe Hill		
Biomedical	Joseph Hoffmann	x	
	Antoinette (Toni) Bell	x	
Architecture	Michelle Barrett		
Prof. Advancement	Maria Dietrich		Lisa Meador
ISAB Liaison Non voting	Xinyue Gu		

### 3. Executive Council Reports

#### a. President – Nithya Kasireddy

1. Dr. Brian Johnson - Downtown gym - discuss survey results **Results announcement moved to next semester**
2. Lisa Norris - Dining Services - Meal plan options **\$650 a semester currently. Thinking of a \$250 meal plan (all WaveBucks) for Fall 2019 (\$50 as admin fee), but can add in \$100 increments later. Email [lnorris@tulane.edu](mailto:lnorris@tulane.edu) with any questions or suggestions, but decision must be made by end of semester for it to be activated Fall 2019. This would just be for uptown.**
3. Dining services during winter break
  - i. Uptown: LBC closes on 18th, Bruff open from 19th to 21st. LBC reopen 14th January, Bruff on 7th January **Suggested extending LBC to the 20th/21st because many graduate students stay longer or do not leave during the winter**

break. Could open the 1834 Club and have limited options for a few hours during lunch and dinner (11-3, 5-7?) from Jan. 7th on until other options are open again.  
ii. Downtown: May be potentially open on 27th, 28th and 31st if needed. Reopen on Jan 2nd with restricted hours (8am - 1pm) Would prefer 7-9 am and 11 am - 1 pm for Pickles in Tidewater. Please get back to Davette by the end of the week with other suggestions.

4. Division Meeting Dates Information
  - i. Volunteers for sending Nithya and Davette the dates of all the future division meetings by December 11th Edward, Caitlyn, Ben, Marissa, Arianne, Miia, (no one from social work yet), Joe
  4. Gradprof listserv - missing about 1000+ students and cannot identify who they are. Forward the google doc to your constituents and ask them to fill the form out if they did not receive communication about mixer or IGDO flyer.

<https://goo.gl/forms/IN5dJKCEjPV6nHbq2>

- b. Executive Vice President – Davette Gadison
  - I. Senate Meeting - School Calendar Year Will be adjusted in 2 years as part of a 5 year plan. Will mostly affect only undergraduates. Changes certain dates classes start and breaks.

Tuition will increase in the fall; financial aid for graduate students will be adjusted, but no word on stipend adjustments.

- II. Downtown - April Sexual Assault Awareness - Speaker requests? Meeting is this Friday. Suggested locations in JBJ and Hutchinson. Catherine Tyner (cyockey@tulane.edu), Meredith Smith, Cynthia Washington.
- III. Downtown - Coffee with a Cop 12/7 See their Facebook.
- c. Downtown Vice President - Alyssa Fears
  - “This Week Downtown” Update Alyssa talked to head of Tulane Web Services about getting this started. Working on creating a group email for downtown updates as a starting place to get information out to people. Also working on downtown events getting onto a calendar.
  - TNPRC Shuttle Update For Primate Center students, addition to stipend to help with travel costs has been approved. Estimated to start in January at the earliest.
  - Student Health Advisory Committee Notes
  - IGDO Update Recommended to approve 2nd group Indian Subcontinent Graduate Student Association. Motion to vote approved, decision to approve group unanimously.
- d. Uptown Vice President – Eidan Shalom
- e. Finance Vice President – Arianne Sacramento

4. GAPSA Division Reports
  - a. School of Professional Advancement
  - b. Graduate Business Council
  - c. Graduate Studies Student Association
  - d. Medical School Student Association
  - e. Public Health & Tropical Medicine Student Government
  - f. Student Bar Association (Law School)
  - g. School of Social Work Student Government Association
  - h. Biomedical Sciences Student Association
  - i. School of Architecture
  
5. Old Business
  1. Recognized graduate organizations
    - I. Phase 2 - Divisions need to start forming a committee for recognizing orgs under their division **Many are missing in OrgSync.**
    - li. Can adapt IGDO committee application process, bylaws etc.
    - lii. Need to be ready to accept applications by Fall 2019, can start earlier if preferred
  2. Graduate student needs assessment survey
    - I. Ad hoc committee - Ben, Eidan, Alyssa, Zainab, Amelia **Email Ben with any questions/suggestions.**
    - li. Immediate need for each division to come up with the topics for survey specific to the division/department
    - li. Identify key issues/topics/potential questions on the survey by next GAPSA meeting (January 22nd 2019) **Each division needs to contact their students to gather information to present early next semester ASAP.**
    - lii. GAPSA can then make a survey and roll it out in February 2019
  
6. New Business
  - I. Shuttles and Transportation:
    - I. Pappi line ending in May 2019; needs to be advertised
    - li. Third green line
    - lii. Any other concerns/feedback?
  - li. GAPSA events
    - I. Mixers are great and homecoming tent is great but we want to do more collaborative events partnering with other orgs/offices on campus to provide more visibility of GAPSA on campus, connect with students.
  
7. Adjournment **7:38 pm**