

GAPSA General Assembly Meeting Agenda
LBC 201

February 19, 2019, 6:30 pm

1. Call to Order **6:34 pm**
2. Roll Call

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

Medical	Carrie Crook	x	
	Peter Haskins	x	
	Adin Reisner		
	Tomi Akingbola	x	
Public Health	Lina Abdel-Mageed		x
	Miia Newman		
	Annie (Rhae) Cisneros		x
	William Castleberry		
Social Work	Monte Teaberry		
	Nina Roma Agvanian	x	
	Brianne Fruge	x	
Biomedical	Joseph Hoffmann		x
	Antoinette (Toni) Bell		x
Architecture	Michelle Barrett		
Prof. Advancement	Maria Dietrich		
ISAB Liaison Non voting	Xinyue Gu		x

3. Executive Council Reports

A. President – Nithya Kasireddy

1. JEC meeting

- GAPSA funding to USG negotiated from 10% to 7.5% by previous executive board (valid for 3 years - from 2018-2019 through 2020-2021)
- USG is asking at least 9% (for Graduate student participation in events on campus and TULAP services)
- TULAP - 20% Grad student utilization

We should get more information on where these funds go and more factors about graduate utilization of various services.

2. Four candidates finalized for AVP campus life position - will be visiting campus post Mardi Gras When they visit they will be giving a presentation.

3. Senate meeting updates:

- Commons Opening Sep 2019 - will be a 24hrs accessible space

No clarity yet on access details for graduate students.

- Building on campus housing - uptown square, charity hospital
- On campus housing may become a requirement for Juniors potentially when housing situation improves
- President Fitts thinks there is a need for International graduate student housing but not necessarily aware of what the need is for domestic students (or visiting scholars and exchange students as we discussed in the past)
- Discussed about classification of teaching professors and other staff as adjunct professors - very different for different schools, no conclusion reached; may be related to graduate students that teach classes - which category do they fall under

B. Uptown VP - Resignation

C. Executive Vice President – Davette Gadison

I. Spring mixer at Cannery April 12th tentative date.

Concerns about the Cannery from last year - However, we were the 1st large group they have done and they have learned how to improve the experience for us.

1. Generations Hall was only available March 29th - GSSA crawfish boil is this day
2. Audubon venue over our budget
3. Cannery - will have more variety of food and multiple food table locations, will need to buy your drink tickets at the door to keep lines down at the bar (cc machines too slow last year, they will take cash at the bar, cc minimum \$10.00, drinks range from \$3 - \$5), DJ for entertainment.
 - a. I am sending out a "save the date/volunteers" for sober event monitor rsvp. We need around 20 but I would like to have 30 sober event volunteers because people tend to have situations arise where they have to cancel.
 - b. Check with your schools and provide lists of people that are interested in volunteering as sober monitors. Should be able to reach 30 fairly quickly.

II. Elections

1. Send any nominations/bios to dgadison@tulane.edu - deadline March 11th. If they are not received at the above email by March 11th, they will not be considered. Contact current position holder for more information.

III. Sexual Assault Awareness month - Downtown

1. Student Coalition Against Sexual Violence need A date is for the speaker panel at the med school auditorium. Also what time of day works best for those downtown schools to hold the panel of speakers on the theme of sexual violence in the workplace and how to navigate it. We are about to begin reaching out to the speakers that the downtown schools recommended in the fall. Good time to meet suggestions:

- c. Downtown Vice President - Alyssa Fears
> IGDO Committee

-Edited bylaws Apply for recognition once a year. Before, events presented to IGDO committee and the finance committee - process takes approx. 2 months. Now, present in general what events/costs at the beginning of the year total to be presented at approval meetings.

-ISGSATU Movie Event

Was last weekend. Want \$75 reimbursement, GAPSA unanimously voted to approve this reimbursement.

-IGDO Funding Training

Training module powerpoint now created, on GAPSA website along with other useful information/documents about IDGOs.

- d. Uptown Vice President
- e. Finance Vice President – Arianne Sacramento
CEF Request: Law Summit, Guest: Alexandra Blankenburg
Finance Committee Recommendation:
\$5000 now with the option of an additional \$2500 conditioned on \$15000 total contributed by SBA and Environmental Law Foundation unless total event's budget needs are met.
Happens every year. 24th annual summit this year. Brings together students (grad and undergrad), community, professors, etc. Contributes to Tulane's environmental program in the law school's ranking. Great place to learn about environmental policy and networking in the field. March 22-23 at the law school. Free to students. GAPSA would be platinum sponsor meaning we are funding the keynote speaker, half page advertisement in program, verbal recognition, etc. Last year over half the attendance was graduate students. Extra conditioned money would sponsor a meal or a reception.
Keynote: Ruth Ann Castro (Google)

GAPSA approved unanimously to give \$5000 and not to continue discussion on the extra \$2500.

- 4. GAPSA Division Reports
 - a. School of Professional Advancement
 - b. Graduate Business Council
 - c. Graduate Studies Student Association
 - d. Medical Student Government
 - 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

6. New Business

Issue with no communication from Tulane about the shooting downtown that happened this past Sunday. Alyssa will reach out to NOPD downtown about this issue and try to get a meeting, email her with anything you would like her to bring up.

7. Adjournment 7:25 pm