I. Call Meeting to Order
   • Called at 6:10pm

II. Adoption of the Minutes
   • Mr. Hucker: Motion to adopt as they are:
     o Darren Chapman (Rural Sociology) motions to adopt.
     o Megan Murphy (Biological Sciences) seconds

III. Adoption of the Agenda
   • Mr. Hucker: Motion to adopt/amend
     o Megan Murphy (Biological Sciences) motions to adopt.
     o Jordan Hoyt (Public Health) seconds.

IV. Installation of the Thirty-Second General Assembly
   • Mr. Hucker: GPC was founded in 1983
   • We welcome you, and we encourage you to hold that high standard.

V. Officer Reports and Introductions
   • Mr. McCune:
     o Serve as GPC liaison to ASUM
     o Governor withheld a bunch of money and thought there would be a budget shortfall. Balanced budget was passed and tax breaks were passed.
     o Governor vetoed them, and Sept 9th they will be coming back.
     o Republicans have a majority. Some of them will likely be overridden.
     o Governor will be required to withhold more money from the budget
     o November: Amendment to not allow Governor to withhold money.
   • Mr. Kremenak
     o Mr. McCune filling in for Mr. Kremenak in his absence
     o HR 3393: Jesse wrote a NAGPS position on this.
     o Passed the house. Kristofferson Culmer wrote a letter to the Senate, expressing NAGPS’s position on it (against it)
     o Legislative Action Days are coming up. Be on the look out.
     o Grads Have Debt 2: 7.41% is projected for GradPlus loans (highest in history)
     o Department of education makes 10s of billions already.
     o When we ask for lower loan rates, we are not asking for a handout but simply lower taxes.
     o Like us on twitter/facebook. Currently, we are looking at Rubio Bill, which we are discussing.
     o Please join the National Affairs Committee.
   • Ms. Thompson: Event sponsored by National Association of Graduation and Professional Students. September 26-29th. Going to DC. Member schools from NAGPS are advocating for NAGPS. Training
where you go and learn how to talk to Congressmen. Wanted to let everyone know how involved GPC is.

• Mr. Steska
  o Mr. Hucker: Programming and Publicity  
    ▪ Wanted to let everyone know that the Welcome Back Party is Sept 12 from 7-11pm at Logboat Brewing Company.

• Mr. Howe
  o Goals: Make sure balance is taken care of and we stay within that budget.
  o Head the finance committee
  o $47,500 for awards
  o $3,000 for general funding
  o Co-vice chair for Student Fee Review Committee
    ▪ Good committee because it has heavy student involvement
    ▪ Students have a voice in fees
  o College level fees are an issue where new fees were being passed without our approval.
    ▪ GPC gave stance on the need to be involved
    ▪ Currently working on putting into place something where students are meaningful
    ▪ Meeting with Chancellor Sept 15th.
  o Travel App has been digitized. Website will be updated soon.
  o General Funding request has caused difficulties so proposing to change to one period during fall and the spring.

• Mr. Braxton
  o Basic introduction.
  o Goal: To ensure that everyone receives all pertinent information.
  o If you have any questions, feel free to reach out.
  o Co-chair of Student Affairs Committee. Many students have a great deal of issues, and we need to do our best to address them.

• Mr. Hucker
  o Coordinate committee assignments
  o External/Internal. Required to be engaged in one of each. Signups at by the sign-in sheet
  o After Sept 15, open to the student body at large to come sit on those seats. Encourage you to think about where your strengths lie and what you can do to help graduate and professional students.
  o Changing how we keep people accountable. Requesting some updates periodically.
  o Agenda will have committee reports. Not required to give a report at general assembly but are required to send some update to us.
  o Chair will contact everyone for business that needs to be conducted.
  o Address each other with respect (using Mr. or Ms. or title)

• Ms. Thompson
  o Intro/Bio
Roles:
- Face of GPC to outside and other entities.
  - If you need someone to talk to other parties, let Mr. Thompson know.
- Make sure that GPC is on track and we have a clear mission of where we’re going. GPC is always changing, so we want to make sure that we are addressing issues properly.

Updates
- Flyers: Most important event: Sponsored by the Office of Graduate Studies. Hosting open house, which is a food drive every Friday. You are entered into a drawing. The last week of September, you can enter to win an IPad.
  - Every time you enter a canned good, you are entered to win.
- New Chancellor: Dr. Bowen Loftin
  - Inauguration is on September 18th, 2014. All students are invited. Missouri Theatre at 3:30 pm.

VI. Liaison Reports
- Mr. Hucker: External to GPC. If you have anything relevant for GPC, please share.
- Maxwell Philbrook: President of GSA
  - Academic voice of graduate students
  - First meeting last week: Travel funds
    - Gsa.missouri.edu
    - We want to fund people for professional development and presentations
  - Student fees: Watching with great interest because it was a hot topic.
  - New name of graduate school: Office of Research and Graduate Studies
    - Committee worked to restructure and worked to take and give away what was needed. Most things will function the same, but look closely to see specifics.
  - September 13th: Annual Fall Picnic at Cosmo Park. Open to all graduate and professional students.
  - Would like a GPC rep for GSA.
- Mr. Hucker: If you are interested in liaison between GPC and GSA, it is an external committee assignment

VII. Special Orders

a. At-Large Representative Elections
- Mr. Hucker: 16 at-large positions
- Ms. Thompson: Who is interested?
  - Kouichi Shirayangi (Journalism) nominates self
  - Kristofferson Culmer (Computer Science) seconds
Heidi Czlapinski (Department of Communication) nominates self.
  Mary Sorenson (Department of Communication) seconds
o Michael Burfield (Fisheries and Wildlife) nominates self
  Darren Chapman-Rural Sociology Seconded
o Yue Hao – MU Informatics Institute nominates self
  Emily Doris Armbruster (Biochemistry) seconds.
  Mr. Hucker: Point of info: Objections would make us go to a formal vote where candidate would leave the room.
  With no objects, all 4 at-large candidates are elected.

VIII. Old Business

  i. None

IX. New Business

  a. Announcements

    i. National Association of Graduate-Professional Students (NAGPS) National Conference

      1. Ms. Thompson, President
        • Formal Conference (Ms. Thompson is the director)
        • Conference is lined up and all the food/rooms are taken care of.
        • We need groundwork help and volunteers.
        • We have a signup for an ad hoc committee for volunteering to help in any number of capacities on the yellow piece of paper.
        • Volunteering will be the week of November 3rd. Conference begins on November 6-November 9.
        • Majority of things will happen on the 6th, 7th, or 8th.
        • Getting help from MSA as well.
        • Please sign up.

    ii. Welcome Back Party

      1. September 12
        • Mr. Hucker: Come join us

    iii. Representative expectations
        • We want you to bring us things we need to address.
• We expect that you will be at every meeting if possible. Send a proxy.
• Listen to concerns of students and tell them what GPC is doing. Communicate what we’re doing, such as that we’re going to Washington DC.
• We have a lot of good advocacy and social events.

All GPC Representatives are expected to:

Make themselves accessible to the graduate and professional students in their respective departments, divisions, or professional schools (p. 4).

Attend monthly General Assembly meetings or to send a proxy in their place if they cannot attend (pp. 9).

Give regular reports of GPC activity to the students of their respective departments, divisions, or professional schools.

Consistently participate as a member of at least one GPC internal standing committee (pp. 10-11).

All GPC Representatives are expected to:

Consistently participate as a member of at least one campus external committee; committee descriptions can be found at http://committees.missouri.edu (p. 12).

Attend GPC events whenever possible, both social and advocacy-related (p. 9).

Familiarize themselves with the Quick Motion Guide of Robert’s Rules of Order (p. 22).

Assist in the appointment of another representative from their department, division, or professional school should they graduate, choose not to return, or step down from their appointment.

Abide by the University of Missouri Standard of Conduct and maintain good standing with their department, division, or professional school.

b. Consideration of Resolutions
i. 1415-01: A Resolution welcoming Dr. R. Bowen Loftin, Chancellor of the University of Missouri upon the occasion of his inauguration

1. Sponsor: Ms. Thompson, President
   - Mr. Hucker: Ms. Thompson will read it aloud, explain it, and take questions. We will take questions for or against. We can amend, change, or kill it.
   - Hallie: Inauguration of Dr. Bowen Loftin on Sept. 18th. Officially becoming Chancellor, and the VP of MSA voiced an interest in a gift/offering to the Chancellor. We decided on a resolution from MSA and GPC, undergraduate and graduate and professionals. Two different student governments and putting them in a frame. We represent two different student bodies, but we work together.
   - Support:
     o Emily Doris Armbruster (Biochemistry): Think it’s a good idea.
     o Kristofferson Culmer (Computer Science): I agree
   - Opposition:
     o Kenneth Bryant Jr. (ABGPS): Don’t like the word “steadfast”. Think it should be “conditional”
     o Hallie: What about just support?
     o Jim Hayden (English): Concerned about streamlining, which has made us lose a lot of positions/jobs. What kind of statement does it make in light of his recent actions?
   - Mr. Howe: Motion to amend clause, “hereby expresses their desire for a fruitful and positive relationship with Dr. Loftin and his administration; and be it further”
   - Seconded: Kenneth Bryant (ABGPS)
   - Paul Hamilton (Philosophy): amend to unanimous
     o Chair determines it has died because of no second.
   - Alex Howe: Motion to Adopt
   - Michael Burfield (At Large): Seconded
   - 6 abstain
   - Majority vote it is adopted.

X. Open Forum
Mr. Howe:
  o Issue: GPC treasurer heads finance committee, handles general funding requests from campus organizations.
  o Problem: Had open application period. We had people come in to talk to general assembly. Problem: We had $4,000 allocated, and we have a certain amount left, and someone comes to us asking for $600. The first questions are: How much do we have left? How did we start with? How many requests? Do we usually run out of money? These questions factor into their decision.
  o To deal with this issue, want to create two application periods, one at the beginning of the fall semester and one at the end of the spring semester. This will allow us to present to the general assembly everything.
  - Downside: Benefit of open application period is that one could decide they want to hold an event later and not be able to ask for funding.
    - Most of these events are every year and most events have to be planned months in advance.

Mr. Hucker: Bylaws in Finance Committee
  - 6.1, 1A and C.
  - Does changing from open to 2 periods constitutes a change in criteria for funding requests?
  - Mr. Howe: And if it were a change in criteria, then this issue would have to be brought formally to general assembly.
  - If you determine it does, Mr. Howe has to put forth a resolution.
  - Is there a motion to say changing number of application periods is a either a change or not a change for eligibility?
  - Paul Hamilton: Motion that it is a change in eligibility criteria.
    - Chris Younger (Classical Studies) seconds
  - Tim Graff (Geography): When is the deadline?
    - Alex: There is none.
  - Jordan Hoyt (Public Health): Can’t reserve rooms until semester starts.
  - Kristofferson Culmer (Computer Sciences): Was amended a few years ago and the spirit of writing it was to give GA the ability to determine how much is funded and what to take as criteria. Would support.
  - Paul Hamilton (Philosophy): Last year we retroactively funded an event, and this would make that impossible
  - Emily Doris Armbruster (Biochemistry): Some events are put on as response to something that occurs in the world.
  - Kristofferson Culmer (Computer Science): We are discussing moving from open application to 2 application periods. If this
is a change in criteria, it gives authority to write resolution to vote on this.

- Mike Burfield (Fisheries and Wildlife): Recommend overlapping periods
- Matt McCune: Includes future and past
- Motion is adopted. Executive board will present a resolution discussing in more detail.

- Paul Hamilton (Philosophy):
  1) Brought up fee situation with the chair of department, and fees were refunded
  2) There was an executive order making all staff at University of Missouri mandatory reporters on sexual harassment. His department is slow in getting us training, so you may want to ask department what is entailed.
- Jordan Hoyt (Public Health): Contact Linda Bennett if you have questions. Official Title IX coordinator. Noel English is also available. There is a lot of gray area.

- Jordan Hoyt (Public Health): Family Friendly Committee
  - Lots of issues came up (Loss of University Village)
  - We want strong representatives who are willing to work with us.
  - Don’t need kids, just need to understand the families are affected by decisions of the University.
  - Encourage anyone who is interested to join.

XI. Adjournment

Paul Hamilton (Philosophy): Motion to adjourn
Jordan Hoyt (Public Health) seconds.

Adjourned at 7:27 pm