Graduate and Professional Council
General Assembly Meeting
November 51, 2002
Minutes

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:59pm by Vice President Steve Allen.

II. Adoption of Agenda:
   A. A motion to amend the agenda to add an action item C. Approval of Travel Scholarships passed.
   B. A motion to adopt the agenda as amended passed.

III. Adoption of Minutes: A motion to adopt the minutes from the October 01, 2002 minutes as printed passed.

IV. Action Items
   A. Resolution in support of the Board of curators Resolution regarding state funding of higher education.
      Some typographical errors were pointed out. The Resolution by the Board for Curators basically encourages the State’s support of the University.
      A motion to accept the resolution passed.
   B. Resolution regarding salary increases for grad teaching and research assistantships.
      This resolution states that Graduate students should get raises if the Faculty receive raises. The Chancellor is in favor of this but it wold be a system wide decision. Concerns were raised regarding this being a sensitive budget time but we as the GPC feel this statement is important. The current President of the University is opposed to this resolution.
      A motion to accept the resolution passed.
   C. Approval of Travel Scholarships.
      Treasurer Sara Malia explained the process for applying for travel scholarships and the evaluation process and scoring system. At least two members of the finance committee review every application and if they their evaluations are vastly different a third member will evaluate the application. For this round of application there were more applicants and more quality. The maximum possible award amount doubled. The finance committee decided to finance 33 applicants to different degrees.
      A motion to accept the Travel Scholarship Awards as presented passed.

V. New Business
   A. Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Search
      Update: Three candidates, Forums for GPC to meet each candidate, two left:
      11/06 2:30-3:30 123 Jesse Kent Porterfield
      11/19 2:30-3:30 123 Jesse Kathy Scroggs
      Resumes are available at www.missouri.edu/~students
   B. MU Student Advocates letter writing campaign.
      MU needs students to write to legislators and local papers about why the University needs funding.
Information on the campaign is available at www.missouri.edu/~advocate/index.htm

VI. Old Business
A. Non-discrimination policy.
   Engineering student council has said they want sexual orientation included in
   their non-discrimination clause. The issue will now be discussed by the faculty.
B. Wakonse
   There will be a meeting for those interested with Dr. Groccia. The Bill regarding
   this issue will be brought to the floor in December. The academic affairs
   committee is to meet after the general assembly meeting to a set a time for
   discussion.

VII. Officer Reports
A. President: The insurance survey will be printed with question as presented.
   There is now a student/faculty committees message board on the GPC website,
   check it out. Passwords will be e-mailed to committee members, anyone can
   respond. This will help to disseminate information from the committee members
   to others.
   MSA elections are November 12th.
   11/06-11/10 is NAGPS: Steve, Jillian, Pritish, and Kim Suedkamp will attend.
   Presidential Search: some concern has been expressed and there will be no
   government officials in the search. The interviews are private, there may be an
   interim President, expect to hear something by the end of the year.
B. Vice President: The Student Faculty Committee has recently discussed the
   REDAC (a survey to figure out how to reduce academic costs) copies are
   available if you would like to see it. There is the possibility of closing down
   programs, demanding more teaching hours and for faculty salaries to come from
   grants, not State money.
C. Programming and Publicity:
   The ice cream social at the Vet School went well.
   The November Grad Gathering will be a how to make Holiday candy session on
   November 20th.
   ASUM has set its legislative policy
D. Treasurer
   The finance committee is to meet after the General Assembly meeting.
E. Secretary
   Please sign the attendance sheet and fill out Rep Locator forms.
   Please e-mail April with any ideas for the GPC t-shirt.

VIII. Liaison Reports
A. Law School: Eight professors have been lost so the Law School is undergoing
   an extensive curriculum review. There is a women’s Open House November 9th
   from 8:45am-12:00pm and a general Open House November 16th from 8:45am-
   12:00pm
B. Medical School: There is a Residency Fair November 16th.
C. Veterinary Medicine: not present
D. GSA: not present
E. ASUM: Recently had a meeting in Kansas City. This past Saturday there was a meeting here. Elected the interns for this year and sponsored Governor Holden’s visit, presented him an MU tie. The ASUM is keeping very busy.

IX. Announcements
The next GPC General Assembly meeting is December 3rd.

X. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:41pm.