Graduate Professional Council Agenda
General Assembly Meeting
November 2, 2010

I. Call to Order
Treasurer, Matt Kotovsky calls the November 2, 2010 meeting of the GPC General Assembly to order. As a friendly reminder, please remember to state your name and department when you speak.

II. Adoption of Minutes
Motion to adopt minutes (Matt Mower, Physics & Astronomy)/ Second (Mohammad Sherafati, At-large):
Minutes adopted

III. Adoption of Agenda
Any additions or corrections?: None
Motion to adopt agenda (Matt Mower, Physics & Astronomy) / Second (Brittany Perrin, Public Affairs):
Agenda adopted

IV. Action Items
1. Tim Rooney, Director of Budget, MU Budget Office (30 minutes)
Going through the “budget scorecard”: This powerpoint is available on the budget office website: budget.missouri.edu. Our budget this year is almost 1.9 billion dollars (just MU). General Operating Funds: This is where faculty and administration are paid. Academic buildings and classrooms come from this fund. Funding comes from tuition, grant and contract overhead, and state appropriations.

Q1, Mohammad Sherafati (At-large): What is the CPI?
A, Rooney: The CPI for this year will be 1.5%
Q2, Jordan Hall (Law School): I’m wondering how you determine where the cuts are going to take place. Does it happen within the colleges and schools?
A, Rooney: I don’t have that answer for you, but the gist of it is do we do an across the board cut or a discretionary cut? The answer is that we don’t yet.
Q3, Jacob Redel (Med School): Does this scorecard take into account revenue from other sources like sports or the hospital?
A, Rooney: No, it doesn’t. this is just the general operating budget.
Deepika Menon (Learning, Teaching & Curriculum): How does the increase in new students and the increase in tuition correlate? If you increase tuition, how do you know that there will be more enrollment?

A, Rooney: This is why we have to be careful about how much we increase tuition. Too high tuition may keep some students away, but I think that we will actually get more than 750 students.

[A note from your secretary: I found it impossible to keep up with everything Tim Rooney covered in his talk. Slides are included below, but please contact him if you have any questions.]
Change in General Operating Funding Sources

State Support Falls Short of Inflation 2001-2010

State Tax Appropriations to Higher Education in Missouri FY 2010 National Comparison

- Appropriation per Capita Ranking
  - 2008 - 47th
  - 2009 - 45th
  - 2010 - 41st

The Mizzou Impact

- Education
- Health Care
- Economic Development
- Athletics

The Mizzou Impact

- Education
  - In fall 2010 MU welcomed 32,000 students
  - One of six public universities with medicine, veterinary medicine, law, engineering & agriculture all on one campus
  - Two-thirds of Missouri veterinarians and a fifth of Missouri attorneys are Mizzou graduates
  - Ninety-two percent of College of Education graduates stay in Missouri
  - The National Science Foundation has recognized MU nationally as a top 10 university for successfully integrating research into undergraduate education

The Mizzou Impact

- Health Care
  - More Missouri physicians have received their medical degree from MU than from any other university
  - University of Missouri Health Care has more than 6,000 professionals who care for patients from every county in Missouri
  - In fiscal year 2009 the University of Missouri Health Care System provided nearly $37 million in uncompensated care
  - Eighty-seven percent of MU nursing graduates stay in Missouri

*Information obtained from the Grapevine Report published by Illinois State University
V. Old Business

No old business

VI. New Business

1. At-Large Nominations and Election – Kristofferson Culmer (10 min.)

No nominations for at large reps.

2. Travel Award Allocations - Matt Kotovsky (10 min.)

We had 70 applications for something a little shy of $22,000. We disbursed money to 49 people for a little shy of $16,000. The total in our budget for travel awards is about $35,000. We disbursed roughly 46%. Historically, we have more applicants in the Spring, so we wanted to save more for that period.

Q1, Brittany Perrin (Public Affairs): so the $35,000 is for the whole year?

A, Kotovsky: Yes.

VII. Officer Reports

Luke Russel (State Issues Coordinator):

- There was a debate last Wednesday. It was very well attended and went well. I realize the polls are closed, but anyone interested in knowing about local politicians’ opinions regarding issues in higher education can see a recording of the debate on the Missouri AAUP website at: http://aaup.missouri.edu/AAUP_Personnel.html
• If you were able to attend and have any feedback feel free to email me (the State Issues Coordinator) at ltrbqb@mail.missouri.edu

• As of last Friday MU had to submit it’s justifications and proposed actions on low performing and duplicate programs (Bachelors programs that produce less than 10 graduates, Master programs with less than 5 graduates and Doctoral programs with less than 3 graduates per academic year). It’s possible that this is just some political posturing during an election year. But these reports are now being distributed to “institutional leaders and stakeholders” that will then be formed into a new report and recommendations and submitted to the Governor and “other stakeholders.” Most of the information thus far is rather blurry on who’s considered a stakeholder, I’m going to be looking into getting some of the information and I’ll report back relevant findings, and make sure I draw your attention to any available information.

Jacob Holt (Publicity and Programming): November 16 from 5-7 at Billiard’s on Broadway, across from Trops. Food will be provided.

ABGPS: We had a family get together this last Sunday. Low so turn out, but it was fun.

GSA: Today was our travel grant deadline, so thanks for submitting grants. We cosponsored last week’s debate with GPC and MSA. We are partnering with a special grad student initiative through the grad school to get more advanced grad students.

VIII. Announcements
Bike resource center on Lowry Mall from 2-4PM. Stop by and get your bike worked on. If you want more info, contact David Heise at HeiseD@missouri.edu.

IX. Adjournment
Motion to adjourn (Matt Mower, Physics & Astronomy)/ Second (Mohammad Sherafati, At-large):
Meeting Adjourned