Resolution No. 1718-06
A Resolution to Make Financial Commitments to Supporting Professional Development Travel and Programming

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HERE GATHERED THAT:

WHEREAS, the Graduate Professional Council (GPC) and the Graduate Student Association (GSA) voted in Fall 2017 to approve a blueprint to merge the two organizations; and

WHEREAS, the blueprint states, “GPC shall maintain the budget line specific to professional development travel funding, with an initial amount comparable to GSA’s professional development travel funding at the time of passage of this proposal ($5,000)”; and

WHEREAS, “GPC shall maintain the budget line specific to professional development programming, with an initial amount comparable to GSA’s professional development programming budget at the time of passage of this proposal ($4,000)”;

WHEREAS, the GPC budget for the FY 2017-2018 is $251,645.70 and the GSA budget for the FY 2017-2018 is $12,931.32; and

WHEREAS, taking into account the current budgets of GPC and GSA and an approximate budget for FY 2018-2019, and in order to meet the requirements of the blueprint and maintain the approximate dollar amounts to fulfill the professional development mission of GSA starting FY 2018-2019, the aforementioned GSA allotments for professional development programming ($5,000) and professional development travel ($4,000) make up approximately 1.92% and 1.53% of the FY 2018-2019 GPC budget, respectively; be it

RESOLVED, a good faith effort must be made by the GPC Treasurer to maintain the allotment of a minimum of 2% of the GPC budget towards professional development-based travel awards; and be it

RESOLVED, a good faith effort must be made by the GPC Treasurer to maintain the allotment of a minimum of 1.5% of the GPC budget towards professional development programming as facilitated by the GPC Director of Professional Development; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this effort to maintain the aforementioned percentages be in place for at least five years, and should be reevaluated for the FY 2023-2024 GPC Budget.

SUBMITTED,

GPC Executive Board
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