



Resolution No. 1819-01
A Resolution for Expanding the Privileges of At-Large Representatives

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HERE GATHERED THAT:

- WHEREAS,** One of the duties of a Representative is to attend a majority of the meetings of the General Assembly to retain “Good Standing” for a Represented Area, and
- WHEREAS,** Recognizing that the nature of graduate and professional programs lead to ever shifting schedules, making it difficult for Representatives to occasionally attend General Assembly meetings, and
- WHEREAS,** Representatives have the ability to send a Proxy from the same Area in their place as to maintain “Good Standing” for the Represented Area as outlined in Section 1.1.3 of the Bylaws, and
- WHEREAS,** An At-Large Representative from the same Represented Area may not under the current Bylaws serve as a Proxy for a Representative from a Represented Area, therefore be it
- RESOLVED,** By majority vote of the General Assembly here gathered that the Graduate Professional Council does amend its Bylaws in accordance with the Appendix of this Resolution to expand the privileges of At-Large Representatives to serve as Proxies for Representatives from their Represented Areas, and be it further
- RESOLVED,** These changes provide a mechanism for Represented Area to maintain “Good Standing” in a more efficient manner, and be it further
- RESOLVED,** The changes to the Bylaws as written in the Appendix make a good faith effort to clean up the language regarding the structure of the General Assembly.

SUBMITTED,

Jesse Wyatt, GPC Vice President

Appendix A

SECTION I – GENERAL ASSEMBLY **REPRESENTATIVES**

1.1. Representatives

1.1.1. Duties of Representatives - Each Representative is required to:

- 1.1.1.1.** Attend each monthly Assembly meeting, which is determined by signatures on the attendance logs;
- 1.1.1.2.** To serve on at least one external committee (Faculty/Student, GPC/MSA Campus Programming, or specially appointed) and be involved with at least one internal standing committee during his/her term; and
- 1.1.1.3.** To send a Proxy in his/her place when not able to attend a monthly meeting. The Proxy shall sign in on the attendance logs.

1.1.2. Commitment to Committees



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All assembly members are encouraged to be involved with an external/internal committee by the October General Assembly meeting.

1.2. Proxies

1.2.1. Definition of "Proxy" - A Proxy must satisfy the following requirements:

- 1.2.1.1. Be a current graduate or professional student within the same represented area as the absent Representative;
- 1.2.1.2. Not be a current Representative, except for At-Large Representatives, or a current Executive Officer; and
- 1.2.1.3. Not currently serving as a Proxy for another absent Representative.

1.2.2. At-Large Representatives may serve as a Proxy for Departmental Representatives for the purposes of maintaining "Good Standing" for Represented Areas, as defined in Section 6.2, so long as the definition of "Proxy" is met in accordance with Section 1.2.1. The At-Large Representative will receive no additional vote as a result of serving as a Proxy.

1.2.3. Proxy Voting

An Assembly Representative may give his/her power to vote in his/her place to a Proxy. Any such Proxy shall act and vote with the full privileges and responsibilities of the Assembly member s/he is representing, provided the Proxy has registered with the Secretary before the meeting in question.

1.2.4. Proxy Eligibility to Vote during Executive Officer Elections

Proxies are eligible to vote during Executive Officer elections only if s/he:

- 1.2.4.1. Has previously served as a Proxy for an Assembly meeting during the same academic year in which the election takes place; or
- 1.2.4.2. Is serving as a Proxy for an Assembly member who has attended every previous meeting of the academic year in which the election takes place.

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~~1.4.3. At-Large Representatives may not have proxies vote in Executive Officer elections.~~

1.3. Definition of "Good Standing" for Representatives

Good Standing for a Representative shall be defined as follows:

1.3.1. Attending, or having a proxy attend, the majority of Assembly meetings each semester; and

1.3.2. Attending and actively participating in the majority of committee meetings per semesters
OR adequately fulfilling the committee responsibilities in a manner approved by the committee chair.

1.3.3. "Good Standing" for Represented Areas (departments, divisions, colleges, schools, etc.) is defined below in Section 6.2.

1.4. Removal from Office

Representatives who do not satisfy the requirements for "Good Standing" may be immediately brought up for removal. Representatives brought up for removal may request a review by the Executive Officers, who will determine the validity of any excuses for failing to fulfill the requirements of "Good Standing".