

General Assembly Meeting Tuesday, September 1st, 2020

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Zoom Meeting

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- I. Call Meeting to Order
 - a. Opening of the 38th General Assembly
 - b. 6:07 p.m. (Jesse)
- II. Adoption of the Minutes
 - a. Yes
- III. Adoption of the Agenda
 - a. Yes
- IV. Special Orders
 - a. At-Large Elections
 - i. Ashley Anderson (present)
 - 1. Nominated and seconded
 - 2. Speech: 4th year doctoral student in English Department
 - 3. Involved in advocacy for graduate students
 - ii. Carolyn Wills (present)
 - 1. Nominated and seconded
 - 2. Speech: 4th year student in Therapeutics program
 - iii. Al Willsey (present)
 - 1. Nominated and seconded
 - 2. Speech: 6th year PhD candidate in Philosophy
 - 3. Long service in GPC
 - iv. Nanxi Xu (present)
 - 1. Nominated and seconded
 - 2. Speech: 4th year PhD candidate in Psychology
 - 3. Long service in GPC
 - 4. Interested in mental health
 - v. Questions from GA:
 - 1. None
 - vi. Discussion closed
 - vii. Vote
 - 1. Motion and seconded to have all four serve

2. All are four are elected

b. Guest: ABGPS Prez Preston

- V. General Orders
 - a. Liaison Reports
 - i. None
 - b. Officer Reports
 - i. President
 - 1. Brief overview of COVID-19 response
 - a. Working to get students more involved in student efforts
 - b. University received a lot of feedback on testing center open on Sunday and Monday
 - c. Students connected to care consultant
 - d. 60 beds on campus for self-isolation units
 - e. Also contracted with two hotels
 - f. Mizzou talking with other hotel
 - g. Greek Life has some isolation units
 - h. Mizzou still considering going home after Thanksgiving
 - 2. Intercampus Student Council
 - a. Working on November voting efforts
 - 3. President's Council meeting
 - 4. MU History Writing Group
 - a. Working on legacy walk
 - 5. GPC will have rep on research and economic development
 - 6. Office hours Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday
 - a. Contact via email
 - ii. Vice President
 - 1. November GA meeting moved to November
 - 2. Committee preferences please share with us
 - iii. Treasurer (not present)
 - 1. Travel funding deadlines
 - iv. Director of Professional Development
 - 1. Building Resilience event
 - 2. CV event
 - v. Director of Programming
 - 1. Welcome Back party Bingo night



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- vi. Director of Public Relations
 - 1. Please share graduate / professional student highlights with us
 - a. We will promote them on social media
- vii. Director of State Affairs
 - 1. Please contact me or Director of National Affairs if interested in serving on Legislative Affairs committee!
 - 2. Presidential & General Election on November 3rd
 - a. Overview of various deadlines
 - 3. ASUM / GPC
 - a. Lobbying for interests of students
 - b. Team of interns that go to Jefferson City during legislative session
 - 4. Please ask any questions about civic opportunities
 - 5. Questions / Comments:
 - a. Cheyenne E.: Make sure you don't register or submit ballot at the last minute
 - i. Molly F. concurs
- viii. Al Willsey
 - 1. Immediate Past President, but no "real" power
 - 2. Jesse W.: Our "wise old sage" 😳
- VI. New Business
 - a. Resolution 2021-01: A Resolution for the Adoption of a Diversity and Inclusion Statement
 - i. Presented by Ryleigh M.
 - ii. Discussion:
 - 1. One proposed edit made b Page 2, first paragraph, second to last sentence
 - 2. Another proposed edit
 - iii. Call for vote
 - 1. Resolution approved
- VII. Announcements & Upcoming Events
 - a. Links from tonight will be compiled and shared as part of the minutes by Bryan (Secretary)
- VIII. Open Forum

- a. Al: Any perspective on blended format classrooms?
 - i. Ryleigh: At current moment, asking all people who are having technical issues to reach out to IT department
 - 1. Reach out to professor(s) in department as well
 - 2. Be sure to accommodate students with disabilities
 - ii. Molly: One class with student Zooming in from other country
 - 1. Professor's position in classroom matters for audio purposes
 - 2. If we're noticing issues like that, should we alert GPC? Someone else?
 - 3. Tori: Issue has been brought up with administrators
 - a. GPC is working on this with university
 - i. Looking into mics for hybrid classes
 - b. Follow Ryleigh's counsel
- b. Natasha M.: Concerned about Mizzou's lack of transparency related to COVID-19
- c. Bryan P.: Shared personal experience with IT and hybrid classroom
 - i. Encouraged students to hang in there, practice good pedagogical principles, and be persistent
- d. Unknown: A number of students who have been infected
- e. Laura S.: Shared thoughts on hybrid classroom
- f. Molly: Show Me Renewal site case numbers / cumulative numbers page
 i. Link shared by Tori
- g. Cheyenne: Why can't we have free COVID-19 testing?
 - i. Tori: The university is offering testing.
 - 1. Students, if they have insurance, they can use co-pay.
 - 2. Students without insurance can receive for free.
 - 3. The university is very much in a spot that they are receiving so much information and criticism.
 - 4. Trying to sift through all of it and communicate to students
 - 5. Please sign up for office hours if you would like to discuss further
- h. Al: Always curious about staying focused and on task. What strategies do people have?
 - i. Cheyenne E.: Designated study areas in apartment
 - 1. Purchased new bistro furniture to help
 - ii. Molly F.: Trying to stay as organized as possible



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- iii. Brittany shared a thought as well
- iv. Al: If you need inspiration, check out resources.
- v. Ryleigh: Don't let professors slack on addressing disability issues / accommodations

IX. Adjournment

a. 7:06 p.m.