Student Government Graduate House of Representatives  
Meeting on October 13, 2017  

Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order  
House Leader Le Noc called the meeting to order at 1:02pm

II. Roll Call  
Representatives present: Amarilis Castillo, Brittany Davis, Anthony Gallardo, Thi Nguyen, Gaurav Kumar, Maël Le Noc, Kelly Gourluck, Sarah Wall, Didier Cervantes, Mary Traxler, and Jennifer Idema

Representative Faggard absent (excused)

III. Approval of Minutes  
Representative Idema moved to approve the minutes from the September 15\textsuperscript{th} meeting and Representative Castillo second the motion. 
Vote was unanimous – minutes approved.

IV. Orders of the Day  
House Leader Le Noc confirmed all members had an agenda.

V. Guests Speakers  
No guest speakers

VI. Public Forum  
No public forum

VII. Reports  
(a) Student Government Vice President's Report: Jackie Merritt  
Vice President Merritt did not attend the meeting

(b) House Leader's Report: Mael Le Noc  
-Representative Groman resigned from her Graduate House position  
-House Leader Le Noc attended round table session on Monday with other students and administrators of the University.

(c) House Secretary's Report: Brittany Davis  
Nothing to report

(d) House Parliamentarian's Report: Kelly Gourluck  
Nothing to report

(e) Committees Reports  
i. Diversity Inclusion: Amanda Faggard  
Diversity Subcommittee
-Representative Faggard was unable to attend the subcommittee meeting but House Leader Le Noc did attend and relayed some information.
-The subcommittee is planning to submit a proposal to the Graduate House about making printers more accessible to students in wheelchairs
-The subcommittee is still looking for new members

ii. Social Media and Technology: Sarah Groman
Representative Groman is no longer on the Graduate House.

iii. Campus Life: Jennifer Idema
-Representative Idema shared that House Secretary Davis, Representative Castillo, and Representative Idema attended a meeting with House Advisor Dr. Paulson about the new Campus Life subcommittee: Graduate Student Events Advisory Subcommittee

-House Secretary Davis presented the subcommittee application to the house and moved to approve the application. Representative Idema second the motion and the vote was unanimous – the application was published on the webpage.

-Representative Idema met with alumni association, discussed a tailgating event next semester or in the Fall and ways to build a relationship with the alumni association through co-hosting events together.

-Representative Idema proposed hosting a Grad House Meet and Greet event in George’s. Proposed the event be held on Wednesday, November 15th or Thursday, November 16th from 3pm-6pm. She wants to get a blurb about the event and begin planning the event.

House Secretary Davis moved to give Representative Idema authority on planning this event. House Parliamentarian Gourluck second the motion. The vote was unanimous.

House Parliamentarian Gourluck offered to bring sodas to the event and House Secretary Davis agreed to reserve the venue

-Representative Idema also proposed a canned food drive: food & finals

iv. Budget and Finance: Gaurav Kumar
House Leader Le Noc announced our budget: $2,500 for the academic year

(f) University Committees Reports
No reports at this time

(g) Advisor's Report: Dr. Paulson
House Advisor Dr. Paulson requests that representatives email him and House Leader Le Noc when they are unable to attend a meeting. This is to avoid meeting if we know we won’t have quorum.

VIII. Unfinished Business
(a) Events Sponsored or Co-Sponsored by the Grad House
   a. Covered in Representative Idema’s Campus Life update

(b) Custom Regalia
   Reports from various representatives included:
   - Business college thought it was a waste of money – didn’t care, even if it costs the same
   - Biology – students want to know “how much is it going to cost?”
   - Same thoughts from Sociology students
   - Similar responses from geography – some students were interested but don’t really care either way

   House Secretary Davis presented a draft of a survey to send out to graduate students to gauge interest in custom regalia. All Representatives reviewed the survey but want to wait until we have more information before we send it out.

IX. New Business
Call for a new social media chair
- House Leader Le Noc nominated Representative Wall and Representative Idema second the motion. Vote was unanimous.
- Representative Wall will look into creating a new Facebook page since we still do not have access to the original Facebook page.
- House Parliamentarian proposed the Graduate House have a LinkedIn group

Diversity subcommittee letter for BSA
- The diversity subcommittee was approached by Bangladesh Student Association to request a letter from Grad House to endorse bringing a Fulbright scholar to Texas State from Bangladesh
  - Representative Wall motion to allow diversity committee to endorse the letter. House Leader Le Noc second the motion. Unanimous vote

  House Parliamentarian Gourluck motion to post letter on TRACS and have leader and chair approve the letter. House Secretary Davis second the motion – all vote unanimous

- Representative Idema attended the grad council meeting where she learned reading of the GradBulletin is low. She proposes bringing in the Publications Writer from The Graduate College, Caitlin, to focus group with the House members about increasing readership for the GradBulletin

- Representative Idema also discussed the Gold Book app from alumni association and wants members to think about how we can encourage use of the app
X. Questions
   No questions

XI. Announcement
   None

XII. Adjournment
   House Secretary Davis moved to adjourn the meeting and Representative Idema second the motion. House Leader Le Noc adjourned the meeting 2:35pm