Graduate House Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2018

I. Call to Order
House Leader Le Noc called the meeting to order at 1:06pm

II. Roll Call
Representatives absent: Castillo, Lobo, Nguyen, and Didion.

III. Approval of Minutes
Representative Faggard motioned to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Representative Idema second the motion. Vote was unanimous; minutes from April 6th meeting were approved.

Representative Didion, Castillo, and Nguyen requested point of personal privilege to be added to the roster.

Representative Idema motioned to suspend the rules; Representative Didion second the motion. Rules suspended.

IV. Orders of the Day

V. Guest Speakers
a. Student Body President Brooklyn Boering
   - Goal of the new administration is to work toward building a better relationship between the senate and the house
   - There is interest in overhauling the constitution and code; any representatives with suggestions for changes please send them to President Boering or House Leader Le Noc
   - Representatives interested in serving as an ex-officio senator, please inform President Boering or Vice President Becerra.
   - President Boering encourages Representatives to attend the student government retreat. - Special advisors not likely to happen in President Boering’s administration.

VI. Public Forum
a. Daniel Reindhart from the department of criminal justice
   - Interested in organizing a nighttime safety walk to seek out areas that are lacking lighting and other things safety-related

   - Disappointed that he hadn’t heard of the Graduate House sooner and would like more communication among students
VII. Reports

a. Student Government Vice President’s Report: Ruben Becerra
   - There will be a joint session to start the new session on Monday, April 23rd at 7pm in the teaching theater.

b. House Leader’s Report: Maël Le Noc
   House Leader Le Noc provided a brief overview of the impeachment events for Representatives who were unaware of the series of events.

c. House Secretary’s Report: Brittany Davis
   Nothing to report

d. House Parliamentarian’s Report: Kelly Gourluck
   Nothing to report

e. Committee’s Reports
   i. Diversity and Inclusion: Amanda Faggard and Blair Didion Sr.
      1. Diversity Subcommittee
         Nothing to Report

   ii. Social Media and Technology: Anthony Gallardo
      Still searching for original Facebook log-in information.

   iii. Campus Life: Jenn Idema
      Representative Idema spoke to Melanie Liddle from the Honors College about possibly starting a mentoring program which would pair graduate students with undergraduates who are conducting research.
      1. Graduate Student Events Advisory Subcommittee: Amarilis Castillo
         - Dr. Rao attended last meeting to get some ideas for Fall 2019 orientation.

   iv. Budget and Finance: Emily Igunbor
      49% of our budget remains

   v. Advisor’s Report: Dr. Paulson
      - Certificates were given to the Representatives who were unable to attend the award ceremony
      - Cords given to house members who are graduating
      - Equity and access committee meets every third Friday – looking for grad student on their committee for next year and also come to their final meeting May 4th – beings September 14th 10/12, 11/9, and 12/14.
      - Representative Castillo is interested
vi. Library Advisory Committee: Kelly Gourluck
   The first floor of the library will be a learning commons and maker space area after new construction is complete.

vii. Learning Management System: Blair Didion Sr.
   Some courses will be transitioning to the new system over the summer and all online activity will change by Fall 2020. Canvas and Desire to Learn are the two top choices being piloted right now.

VIII. Unfinished Business
   a. Campus Life: Baseball Night
      -Signup sheets for volunteers will go out Monday night.
      -Representatives should arrive at 3:30 to set up.
      -Representative Idema is inviting the senate, President Trauth, Dr. Smith, and Dr. Arellano.
      -Representative Douthitt will throw the first pitch and Representative Didion will present the colors.

   b. Custom Regalia Resolution
      -House Secretary Davis read the executive report
      -Representatives Castillo and Idema are drafting a resolution.

   c. Graduate House and Graduate Student Orientation: Second Reading of H.R. 2017-2018.01
      -Representative Gallardo read the resolution
      -House Secretary Davis motioned to add or change verbiage to suggest things as we see fit; Representative Didion second the motion. House Parliamentarian motioned to vote for approval; vote was unanimous.

   d. Graduate House Transition Theme: Second Reading of H.R. 2017-2018.02
      -Representative Gallardo read the resolution. Few amendments were made.
      -Representative Gallardo motioned to pass the resolution; Representative Faggard second the motion. Vote was unanimous.

IX. New Business
   a. Confirmation of Brent Bauer as Associate Justice
      House Secretary Davis motioned to vote; Representative Faggard second the motion. Vote was unanimous.

   b. 2017-2018 Budget Closing
      -Suggestions for remaining budget: magnetic name tags, giveaway items (coffee mugs, stress balls, etc), community donation, polo shirts
Representative Didion motioned to chair a committee to decide how to spend the reaming budget; Representative Idem motioned to co-chair. Representative Gallardo second the motion. Representative Nguyen and House Secretary Davis volunteered to serve on the committee.

Representatives Idema, Castillo, Didion, Gourluck, Ramos-Karmaker, Nguyen, and Davis agreed to meet to plan events for 2018-2019 academic year.

Representative Gallardo motioned to add item to agenda: determine a theme for transition (HB 2017-2018.02). Representative Didion second the motion.

Representative Gallardo suggested “Transparency and Building Bridges” as the transition theme for 2018-2019.

Representative Idema motioned to vote and Representative Didion second that motion. Vote was unanimous.

X. Confirmation of New Representatives
Representatives Gillman, Ayala, Larson, and Bonnette were confirmed for the 2018-2019 academic year.

XI. Election of Graduate House Leader
House Secretary Davis nominates House Leader Le Noc for 2018-2019 House Leader. Representative Castillo second that motion. Representative Douthitt motion to vote by voice; Representative Didion second the motion. Vote is unanimous.

XII. Questions
-Representative Douthitt: Do we represent only graduate students? Or, undergraduate students as well?
  We focus on graduate students. Concerns of undergraduates should be brought to the senate.
-Representative Nguyen: Do we meet during the summer?
  No
-Representative Nguyen: Can we use a communication tool such as slack to keep everyone up to date on committee stuff?
  House Leader Le Noc will work with Representative Nguyen & Gallardo to start a slack for Graduate House Representatives.

XIII. Announcements

XIV. Adjournment
Representative Gallardo motion to adjourn the meeting; Representative Douthitt second that motion. House Leader Le Noc adjourned the meeting at 2:53pm.