CALL TO ORDER

GUESTS
- Melanie Barron, United Campus Workers
  - Tennessee Higher Education Union
  - Graduate workers organized committee that is independent of university
  - Tennessee is not for sale to work on outsourcing of custodians and staff
  - Membership is open
  - Student loan debt clinic – next Wednesday in the library
- Dr. Sean Hedricks and Office of Research and Engagement
  - Professional Development training to specify your CV
  - Lunch and Learn series
  - Links will be available on GSS website
  - Graduate School website will also link other professional development opportunities
  - Funding News RSS Feed at the bottom of the Graduate School website
  - ORE has Pivot, which allows graduate students to search for external and internal research assistantships
  - Career Center is a resource to help with job search and CV development
  - RCR Lunch and Learn series that includes librarians, faculty, and ORE staff with free pizza
  - Graduate School wants feedback on Graduate School Website and new formatting

PRESIDENT’S REPORT
- Welcome to GSS
- Senator Expectations
- Updates:
  - Addition of Executive Board Members
  - Tresasuer, Secretary, Senate Moderator, Technonology Officer have already been voted for
  - Proposal to start Graduate Student Council

VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
- Welcome to GSS
- Introduction
- External Committees
  - Tracking

COMMITTEE ELECTIONS
- Equity & Diversity Committee
  - Ashton Cooper nominated and voted
- Communications & Outreach Committee
  - Cara Sulyok nominated and voted
- Travel Awards Committee
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2016

- Kelly Rooker nominated and voted
- Fun Run Committee
  - Morgan Sowers nominated and voted
- Autonomy Committee & Strategic Committee
- Graduate Student Council: GSS Non Senators:
  - Chair: GSS Senator
  - Nominated and voted: Zachary Merill

**EXECUTIVE BOARD ELECTIONS**
- Technology Officer
  - Nominated: Rebecca McCusker
- Secretary
  - Nominated: Sarah Nadel
- Senator Moderator
  - Nominated: Chris Acuff
- Treasurer
  - Nominated: Dave Desimone
- Addition of Public Relations Officer
  - Overall consent for the need of it
  - Nominated: Sergio
- All Executive Board members voted in

**NEW BUSINESS**
- Articles of Cooperation with SGA
  - Previous history of bills passed
  - New challenges discussed
  - Work on SGA on amending constitution
  - Fall 2016: gather and synthesize input, draft changes to by-laws
  - Spring 2017: propose and ratify changes in GSS and SGA
- Addition of GSS Newsletter
- Internal Committees will have brief meeting following adjournment. If you don’t know your assigned committee or been assigned to a committee, see Kristin Riggsbee. Committee chairs, please have all your members provide their name and email address and communicate this to Kristin by the end of the week.
  - Must meet here times a semester according to by-laws
  - Must get Kristin a list of active committee members by the end of the week
  - Executive Board and new Graduate Council – please stay behind a moment

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- Next GSS Social – September 29, Location and Time TBA
- GSS Town Hall Meeting – September 20, 5:30 PM, HBB Room 305
- Office of Research and Engagement workshop “Finding Funding – Research Resources and Tools” – September 12, 2-3:30 PM, register online

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### Upcoming GSS Meetings

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