

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
Tuesday, JANUARY 17, 2016

Shalini Yerukala, President
Sarah Nadel, Secretary
Dave Desimone, Treasurer
Rebecca McCusker, Technology Officer
Sergio Bedford, Public Relations Officer
Chris Acuff, Parliamentarian
Jamie Greig, Senate Chair

- **CALL TO ORDER**
- **GUESTS (30 mins)** (Dean Shivers. Topics: Campus Climate survey, Ombuds, and other work of the DOS)
- **ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE (5 mins)**
- **VP ELECTION (15 mins; candidates get 5 minute slots to speak and answer questions. Then a vote)**
- **PRESIDENT'S UPDATES (10 minutes)**
 - New ad-hoc committee (Increase Student Participation in GSS)
 - Article of Cooperation
 - External Committee reporting form ([link to form](#))
- **BYLAW VOTING** (bylaws attached to email. Email Chris at cacuff@vols.utk.edu with question in advance. No time allocated for discussion in meeting) (5 minutes)
- **SURVEY RESULTS/GOALS FOR THE YEAR (30 mins; discussion of top 10 issues (25 mins max) and vote on which 3 we carry forward as main aims for guest speakers/bills).**
- **COMMITTEE REPORTS (20 mins; each committee chair will be invited to speak to update the senate on committee activity/important information.)**
 - Equity & Diversity Committee
 - Communications & Outreach Committee
 - Travel Awards Committee
 - Fundraising Committee
 - Autonomy Committee & Strategic Committee
 - At Large Committee
 - Administrative Committees
- **OPEN DISCUSSION (5 minutes)**
- **ADJOURN**
- **COMMITTEE BREAKOUT**

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Graduate Student Senate Spring Calendar 2017				
GSS Meeting	Jan 17	Tuesday	5:30- 7 :30 pm	HBB 301 (Haslam College of Business)
GSS Meeting	Feb 8	Wednesday	5:30- 7 :30 pm	HBB 301 (Haslam College of Business)
Town Hall Meeting	Feb 15	Wednesday	5:30- 7 :30 pm	HBB 301 (Haslam College of Business)
GSS Meeting	March 2	Thursday	5:30- 7 :30 pm	HBB 301 (Haslam College of Business)
Travel Award Workshop	March28	Tuesday	6pm – 7 pm	HBB 301 (Haslam College of Business)
Town Hall Meeting	March 22	Wednesday	5:30- 7 :30 pm	HBB 301 (Haslam College of Business)
GSS Meeting	April 10	Monday	5:30- 7 :30 pm	HBB 202 (Haslam College of Business)
GSS Election	April first week			Form Submission in Dunford hall
GSS Socials				
Trivia Night	January 16 th	Monday	6pm – 7 pm +	
Ice Bears Hockey Game	February 24 th	Friday	7: 30 pm +	
Cotton Eyed Joes Line Dancing	March 7	Tuesday	6pm – 7 pm +	
Graduate Student Appreciation Week	April 3-7 th	-		
Caffeine bar	Exam week			
Annual Fundraiser				
5K	April 22	Saturday	Donation: Smokey's Pantry	Contact gss@utk.edu