GSS Senator Meeting October 3, 2017

5:30-7:00 PM in HBB 305

1. Meeting Called to Order by Rachael Walters; Minutes Recorded by Allison Critcher
2. Explanation of Parliamentary Procedure
   1. Make a Motion – “I move”
   2. If you have a question or issue – “Point of Order”
   3. Table The issue - “Move to Committee”
3. Attendance
   1. Use the new link https://goo.gl/7UnJrE
4. Minutes from Previous Mtg
   1. Available online
   2. Motion to accept without reading made by Jonny Richwine, it was seconded, voted on and approved
5. Presentation on
   1. Code of Conduct and Community Standards (PowerPoint) - Bethany and Natasha
      1. Office of Student Conduct (student conduct.utk.edu; 865-974-3171) primarily enforces the code of conduct related to academic dishonesty, harassment, hazing etc. including enforces issues related to Title IX
      2. Main Components of the New Code – (pdf copy to be sent)
         1. Fundamental Rights (Both complainants and accused have rights)
         2. Jurisdiction (Code applies to students participating in sponsored activity across the world; does not apply to non-violent crimes committed outside of Knox area)
         3. Advisors
         4. Amnesty (Established a good Samaritan policy)
            1. This allows students to call for help without fear of sanctions
            2. Individual Good Samaritans and Impaired students will not be subject to formal university disciplinary action, however, for repeat violations or serious violations this might not apply
            3. Can report incident through studentconduct.utk.edu – anonymously
            4. You can always call 974-HELP if you are concerned about a student in a non-emergent situation
         5. Records
         6. Development
         7. Hearing Options
   2. Outsourcing – Simone Godstone (United Campus Workers)
      1. Gov. H proposed 2 years ago privatizing campus staff workers
      2. Contract with JLL has been signed but finally decision will be made by Chancellors at each institution
      3. UTK Chancellor Davenport has yet to sign
      4. In theory outsourcing is to reduce costs – but in reality there is doubt of this assertion – the effect of outsourcing on sustainability is unknown
      5. The Faculty Senate and Undergrad Senate passed a resolution against outsourcing
6. President’s Report given by Sergio Bedford
   1. Passed around a card for Josh Hodge for GSS senators to sign
   2. Last week attended Murfreesboro conference for Graduate Governance and was able to discuss stipends with others from
   3. Travel Awards online will go online 10/16 – everyone but CEHHS & Arts and Science will need to take applications to the Graduate School
   4. Business Cards through the University – possibility of getting cards with a discount (looking into it)
   5. Brown bag next Thursday – a diverse group presenters
7. New Business
   1. Resolution on Outsourcing presented by sponsor Senator Tamara
      1. Motion made by James Sort to open discussion
      2. During discussion a typo was mentioned in the third statement
      3. Proposed Amendment #1
         1. To strike the second section of the second statement and add in its place “to potentially negatively impact the local economy”
         2. Seconded and passed unanimously
      4. Proposed Amendment #2
         1. To add to second statement thus between JLL and “thus” – moved by Janelle
         2. Seconded and passed, one abstention
      5. Proposed Amendment #3
         1. Under “Be it further resolved”…
            1. Remove sentence that begins with cleanliness of our campus and replace with “This plan would negatively impact the sense of community on campus”
            2. Change tuition waivers section – “compromises facilities management employees’ access to tuition waivers”
            3. Change last sentence to read “family in which UT is wholeheartedly immersed”
            4. Seconded, passed unanimously
      6. Proposed Amendment #4 -
         1. The section that begins with Resolved…
            1. Combine with the first section that begins with “Be it further resolved..”
            2. Brittany seconded
            3. Passed unanimously
      7. Motion to suspend parliamentary procedure in order to work on the amendment
      8. Motion to reinstate the parliamentary procedure
      9. Motion to close disc – Jonny, second – Ileana
      10. Motion to Vote on the Resolution – James Sort
      11. Seconded – James (?) Alicort, passed with a verbal vote with two abstentions
   2. Task Force Update form Janelle
      1. Brad in charge of making constitution - looking at frameworks from other institutions
   3. Committee Updates:
      1. Sarah - GSS Legislative/Steering Issues Poll (<https://goo.gl/9S37UG>)
         1. Took a poll about what issues are the most important to students
   4. Brown Bag – Job Search Next Week
      1. Please print out flyer and distribute among your department
8. Break Up into Internal Committees
   1. Events and Programming
      1. GSS want broader activities and a static location that can be a consistent (send to events chair – email forthcoming)
   2. Legislation and Steering
9. Motion to Adjourn and seconded