Call to Order – 7:04 p.m. - by Chair – James Cook

Reading and Approval of the Minutes: October 10, 2012 - Move to approve Race Clark… second Rebecca Horne – no objections

Officer Reports:
- Chair – The Graduate Dean will be attending Sunday night’s GSS meeting to address the body.
- Vice-Chair – No Report
- Secretary – The secretary will be updating GSS rosters tomorrow.

Committee Reports:
- Academic Affairs – Shawn Hadwiger – proxy No Report
- Development & Philanthropy – Rebecca Horne – No Report
- External Affairs – No Report
- Human Diversity – Benny Tambahkera - Wednesday and Thursday the Native American Studies program will be hosting a lecture on the south oval. There will be lectures and possibly Native American music as well as Native American memorabilia for sale.
- Internal Affairs – No Report
- Problems & Projects – No Report
- Public Relations – No Report
- Ways and Means – Alexander Ufier – grant proposals due at noon Friday. The committee will be going over the proposals Saturday and will be sending out letters within next two weeks.

Special Orders:
- (open to student concerns) – give the money to the students act tabled last general meeting of GSS,
- Emily Buss, OU Panhellenic Council President, et al. -

Old Business:
- GF12-16 Give the Money to the Students Act of 2012 (tabled at Oct 10 GSS Exec Committee meeting)

Rebecca Horne move to bring GF12-16 to the floor for discussion by Executive Council … Alexander Ufier, second, no objections.

- Emily Buss – Panhellinic, Greek organizations have been on campus for more than 100 years, it has a rich history
- Lauren Whiteman – National Panhellenic Council – organizations are service based first and social second. Stay on top of things such as social action, provide support for human and civil rights…
• Jason Lugo- Multi-Cultural Council .. newest council on campus. All of the fraternities and sororities are philanthropy based and most events are open to the public to extend the philanthropy service projects. All three of the leaders attending this meeting worked through the summer without pay. Looking over the proposed bill, attending meeting because they have concerns about the bill. Wants to make certain the organization is known as the Multi-Cultural Council, instead of what is listed in the legislation.
• Andrew Carlough, author of the bill says is a scripter’s error and will be changed.
• Jason Lugo, all three agree that fraternities and sororities are gender based, but, it’s incorrect to say the organizations don’t deserve funding because they don’t reach entire campus. Taking away stipends from the top leaders of the three councils would be wrong. Greek community is not closed and reaches out to the public and entire campus and the bulk of activities are open to the public. Suggests there are other organizations getting stipends from OUSA that do not serve the entire student body.
• Lauren Whiteman- the bill says the Greek community no longer serves the entire community. But, there are many events that are supported by Greek organizations such as the Bedlam Blood Drive. Greek organizations can attract students and get more people involved. Half of the incoming freshman class became Greek. Because of the support the organizations give to campus activities she doesn’t see how groups have no effect on student life.
• Emily Buss - officers are required to spend a certain number of hours per week in the office and can lose position if hours are not met. Willing to work with GSS to insure hours are being met. Presence of Greek organizations is growing on campus. Panhellenic has 27 hundred women and it takes a lot of time to provide the help and assistance necessary and the stipend allows her to devote time.
• Andrew Carlough – bill originated from some student concerns brought to him through discussion with multiple people. Students he talked to felt paying leaders with money from student funds was not proper and that dues paid to fraternities and sororities should be enough to cover the stipends. Andrew believes the leaders should be paid. But, University requires all incoming students to live in university housing for at least the first year. With regard to student bar association, the association has been trying to disassociate from UOSA and UOSA is trying to prevent this. Even though it is part of the law school, any student who wants to be a member must be allowed entrance. This is not the case with Greek organizations which Carlough suggests are private and should be funded privately, not with university funds. Cutting out these payments will return about $10,000 per year to general funds.
• Alex Ufier – Do the leaders of these groups meet regularly with UOSA president?
• Andrew Carlough – No, and if we do cut funding we can add them back in anytime.
• Lauren Whiteman, it’s dangerous to lump all four Greek organizations together. Do you know when UOSA president stopped meeting with the Greek president? We would like to meet but have never been asked.
• Race Clark – you addressed the student bar association issue and your explanation doesn’t seem to make sense as they don’t represent the entire student body either.
• Andrew Carlough - I might accept a friendly amendment to cut funding for student bar. Stephen Curtis – where do dues that fraternity/sorority members go.
• Jason Lugo - Most of it goes back out to the entire student body through programs and activities, money is going to help pay for a graduate student assistant in Student Life. Student Life is not a Greek only organization.
• Race Clark, will you four be able to attend the full GSS meeting Sunday evening? Yes
• Chair James Cook asking for motion to send the bill to the GSS floor… Motion  Steven Curtis, second Shawn Hadwiger. No objections
• GF12-24 Where Do I Vote Act? (amended by Undergraduate Student Congress on Oct 16)
  • Race Clark – there is an error in this bill, we have already seen this bill, and it has been amended to make correction. Race Clark - Move to send bill to GSS floor, second Rebecca Horne. No objections.

New Business:
• GF12-25 Title III Update Act – Shawn Hadwiger move to send GF12-25 to GSS floor, Race Clark second. No objections.
• GF12-26 Title XI Update Act – Shawn Hadwiger move to send GF12-26 to GSS floor, second Stephan /Curtis. No objections.
• GF12-27 Emergency Allocation #4 Act of 2012 Alexander Ufier move to send to GSS floor, second Kristina Sanchez. No objections.
• GF12-28 Administrative Subsidiary Appropriations Act of 2012 Race Clark move to send GF12-28 to GSS floor, second Kristina Sanchez. No objections.
• GF12-29 Student Organizations Subsidiary Appropriations Act of 2012 Race Clark move to send GF12-29 to GSS floor, second Rebecca Horne.

Announcements:
• Next GSS Meeting October 28, 2012 @ 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment – Kristina Sanchez moved to adjourn, Alex Ufier second. No objections. Meeting adjourned 7:50 p.m..

GSS Council Attendance

James Cook
Race Clark
Jerry Overton
Stephen Curtis
Rebecca Horne
Kristina Sanchez
Alexander Ufier
Shawn Hadwiger
Benny Tahmahkera
Meghann Rother