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Calls to Order at 6:00 p.m.

1. Reports:

a. **President:** Cynthia Wise:

- Teaching academy: The president Cynthia Wise briefed members on teaching academy and encouraged members to attend since courses are opened.
- ii. **UPAC program approval:** Update on the university program approval committees (UPAC) and mention two new undergraduates, a masters and a PhD programs.
- iii. **Bylaws:** The president briefed members on the proposal to suspend the section of the bylaws concerning committees until bi-weekly attendance increases to 15 GSOs or more.

b. Vice President: Sarbajit Basu:

- i. **Election board report:** The vice president briefed members on reports from election board by giving update on campaign and elections dates as well as graduate senator positions up for elections.
- ii. International townhall report: Update on issues discussed at the just ended international townhall meeting, which included: housing, students' health insurance, tax filling, recreational activities and non-native English-speaking international students.

c. Vice President of Activities: Maryam Sharifi:

i. **GRAS report**: The vice president briefed members on graduate research and arts symposium (GRAS) and how to submit abstract for the event.

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d. Treasurer: Shashank Dharba

Budget report: The treasurer briefed members on the funds available

to GSC and the amount spent and ear marked for events and activities

within the semester.

e. Webmaster: Ezra Huscher:

GSC website: Highlighted the revision on graduate research and arts

symposium coming off on October 26th and encouraged members can

submit their abstracts on the GSC website.

f. **Senator**: Omid Jafari:

Reimbursement and bylaws: ASNMSU senator Omid Jafari, briefed

members on conference reimbursements, giving the current rules for the

reimbursement process. He also briefed members on changes in service

requirements as well as methods and formulas, using a graph to better

explain it. He also touched on GSOs and proposed changes to bylaws

2. Old Business

a. No updates

3. New Business

a. Conference reimbursement: Update by senator Omid Jafari on conference

reimbursement and the bylaws governing the process.

4. Open Forum

*** Adjournment: 6:50 p.m.***