



Date: 03/07/2017

Location: HJLC 126

1. Call to order / Welcome
  - a. 5:08pm
2. Secretary's Report
  - a. Voted to approve minutes from 02/21/2017
3. President's report
  - a. New position on GSC for International Students
    - i. International Border Programs will identify 3 students to nominate, the Council will vote on 1 to represent
    - ii. They will nominate for this upcoming year. 5 hr GAship
  - b. Proposing resolution to change regalia so doc students can select their headwear
4. Treasurer's Report
  - a. Current budget: \$5839 for remaining
5. VP report
  - a. Standing with our Students TEACH IN (Thursday March 9<sup>th</sup>)
    - i. Address student rights
    - ii. 12:00-1:30pm in Corbett Center
    - iii. Various speakers: NMSU Police, Office of Institutional Equity, Dean of Students, ISSS, Chicano Programs
  - b. Election board
    - i. Addresses election violations, please run clean campaign
6. VP of Activities' Report
  - a. GRAS is April 7th
    - i. Today is the last day to register and submit abstracts
    - ii. Lots of food!! Box lunches, snacks and alcohol in the evening
    - iii. Looking for volunteers, getting them shirts
    - iv. 100 abstracts submitted. If you don't receive an email with the schedule, email Tara.
  - b. Graduate Student of the Month
    - i. Each month GSC will announce a student of the month, who will receive recognition and awards
    - ii. Nominate someone for outstanding work contributing to the mission of NMSU
    - iii. Submit nominations Thursdays before GSC meetings
      1. Next nominations submission due March 30th
7. Graduate Senator's Report
  - a. There is a resolution addressing sexual harassment on campus
    - i. Council voted to move proposal
  - b. Chad Martin has resigned from ASNMSU
    - i. There is an open Senate seat to be voted on next meeting through Fall
    - ii. Duties: 5-6 hours per Senate meeting, every other Thursday night, attend committee meetings (2-3 hours every other week), write resolutions,



- attend office hours. Comes with leadership scholarship (75% of tuition, or 50% if you have lottery).
- c. Reading proposal to change By Laws to hold senators accountable for attendance
    - i. Get 1 point if they don't attend meetings, 6 is up for impeachment
    - ii. Council will vote to excuse senator, will report absences to President
    - iii. Will email to graduate students and GSOs wording of by laws amendments
8. Updates and Announcements
- a. Dean Reyes speaking to council
    - i. Study regarding graduate study results. "What leads to success in Graduate School?" GSOs was a common response.
    - ii. Domestic Graduate assistantships with insurance: Fall 2017 insurance can't happen due to administrative process. For now, the GA's will receive a raise to cover cost of insurance. It could be 2018 when students have insurance in their packages.
      1. *How do we compare to other NM schools?* UNM is the only other institution offering insurance, other peer institutions do offer (e.g. ASU, CSU...)
      2. *If ACA is completely repealed before big changes in 2018, what would happen?* No complete answer. GSC execs will look into this.
    - iii. International student insurance: International salary raised to cover cost of insurance and they pay NMSU \$600. Dean Reyes is working on better organization and cheaper costs through the office working with international students. Additionally, when the changes are made in 2018, international students will have their international insurance covered as well.
    - iv. 500 students graduating per semester, hard to track where people are following graduation
    - v. Issues with enhanced TAs (over 20 hrs). Graduate School limit is 20, but 25 hours with permission. The GAs handbook is also being updated.
    - vi. *What is your position on changing regalia to reflect receiving doctorate?* Dean Reyes will fight to change regalia.
    - vii. *What can students do to help advocate for these changes?* Continue doing what you're doing. Bring concerns to GSC leadership.
  - b. Elections
    - i. Candidate announcements will be on 4/4, elections on 4/18
    - ii. Committee went through duties
9. Open Forum
- a. NeSA Conference is on April 1<sup>st</sup> in Domenici Hall, 109
  - b. Now GSC and ASNMSU meetings will not be on the same weeks and clash with committee meetings
    - i. Proposal to shift schedule by a week. Next meeting is 3.28
  - c. What's going on with Graduate Wellness Fee



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## General Meeting Minutes Agenda

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- i. Dean Reyes has been in discussion, no progress so far

### 10. Adjournment

- a. 6:46pm