



## General Meeting Minutes

11/5/2013

Tuesday, November 5, 2013  
4:00 pm, Senate Gallery Rm. 304

1. Call to order / Welcome
  - a. 4:06 pm
2. Secretary's Report / Approval of Minutes
  - a. Minutes Approved
3. Treasurer's Report
  - a. Approximately \$5,000 left for fall, today is the deadline, but may turn in by next Tuesday.
  - b. If travelling over the Christmas break can apply in the Spring
4. Graduate Senator's Report
  - a. 2 bills approved
  - b. Changed funding form for international travel, is capped at \$800 per trip
  - c. Nitish put in a resolution for free speech within Corbett Center, that did not pass as it did not have the required 2/3 vote for resolutions.
  - d. Lottery scholarship will be insolvent until March time frame, as the state legislature has not addressed the fact that there is not enough money to pay for all of the individuals on the scholarship at present.
5. VP-Activities Report
  - a. Cecilia – Flyers are going out presently calling for volunteers and paperwork, meeting on December the 5<sup>th</sup> for GRAS committee.
  - b. Deadline for submissions is on the 4<sup>th</sup> of January
  - c. Calling for presenters from UTEP and Texas Tech
6. Graduate School Liaison
  - a. Not present
7. New Business
  - a. By-Law Changes
  - b. Jean going over changes
    - i. Added VP of Activities
    - ii. Web-Master
    - iii. Changes to duties for Secretary, VP, and Treasurer
    - iv. Main changes to funding policy to clarify the process – and bring the process more in line with the wording in ASNMSU funding policies
    - v. Proposed Change given by General Members



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1. Proposed changes under Requirements Section 2, make it for 1 calendar year
  2. Remove the check will be cut and change to reimbursement will be made in Requirements Section 5
  3. Under GSO Disbursements Section 2 will be changed to a calendar year
8. Announcements
- a. President Carruthers has formed a new diversity council called University System Diversity Council that will include the community colleges, in process of electing the executive committee at present.
    - i. Gender neutral bathrooms on campus will be one of the first issues brought up
    - ii. More access to Journal publications should be brought up, Romina will bring this up also at the Graduate Council
  - b. One more meeting left for the semester.
  - c. Desa Daniel – voting to begin next Monday, request those present to vote for her.
    - i. Suicide Prevention Awareness week – suicide assist training this weekend, handing out cards
9. Open Forum
- a. Jessica Lail– Health care still working on it, asking for comments, working on research – University has waiver so good for current medical requirements put forth by Federal government
10. Adjournment
- a. 4:46 pm