

GSC Committee Meeting Form

Instructions: Please complete this form and send it to the GSC president and web master/VP of communication no later than 48 hours after you attend any committee meetings or other meetings on campus where you represent GSC. This form will be made public on the GSC website for graduate students to review.

Name (GSC members who attended this meeting, bold name of individual filling out report): Tara Young, Gaurav Jha

Name of meeting/committee: Graduate Council

Meeting date: 10/04/2018

Start time: 11:30 am

End time: 1:00 pm

Brief summary of committee purpose: Graduate Council includes Dr. Cifuentes (VPR), deans and members from most/all colleges, and discusses issues involving graduate student life and policy.

Meeting Summary/Main points of interest (include a bullet point list of any announcements for upcoming events, topics discussed, changes made, and relevant points here):

- **New Business**
 - New food science program tabled because of issues with program and proposal document. We will provide suggestions and consider again after revisions.
 - Proposal of bylaw change to make graduate student council representative an exofficio member of graduate council-passed
 - Proposal/presentation of faculty senate library advisory committee bylaws
- **Graduate School Updates**
 - Proposal of new sub-committee for recruitment by Dean Cifuentes
 - Put together ad-hoc committee (GSC will be on this committee-appoint representative)
 - Q-why is enrollment down?
 - Enrollment is down-nationwide drop in international graduate students
 - Late to the game for online programs-losing students to other institutions which have online options
 - Not competitive on fellowships, stipends, GAs, etc.
 - Electronic dissertation and thesis will begin Mid-January, no more hard paper!
 - Graduate students need leveling courses but can't enroll because they don't meet requirements
 - Discussion about how overrides shouldn't be allowed by anyone except for the instructor
- **Graduate Student Council**
 - Statement presented as to why the graduate student council representative should have a voting voice on graduate council
- **ASNMSU President**

- Poll about student opinions and issues closes Friday 10/5/18 (poll.nmsu.edu)
 - Invitation to vote next Tuesday before voting at Corbett Center
 - Upcoming homecoming announcements
- **International student office**
 - No updates