



University of California, San Diego  
Graduate Student Association

2018-19 Council Meeting #4  
Monday, November 19, 2018  
6:00 pm - 8:30 pm, Price Center Forum

**I. Call to Order**

**A. 6:17PM**

**II. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes [5 minutes]**

**A. [CM 3 Minutes](#)**

1. Approved

**III. Approval of Agenda**

**A. Moved vote on finance bills and appointments up on agenda**

**IV. Vote on Finance Bills (Appendix A below) [5 minutes]**

**A. Motion to approve GRF3 and GRF4 together, excluding APRF9**

1. Approved

**B. Approval for APRF9 tabled**

**V. Appointments (Appendix B below) [5 minutes]**

**A. Motion to add members to finance committee**

1. Approved

**B. Contact [contact@gsa.ucsd.edu](mailto:contact@gsa.ucsd.edu) for more information on committees**

**VI. Public Comment and General Announcements [10 minutes]**

**A. Public Comment**

1. Reach out to Erica Silva, who heads the transportation committee, with any transportation concerns

2. Career Night Panel Thursday Week 9

**B. Upcoming Social Events (VP of Social Affairs)**

1. Live music/food event next Friday, Stage Room from 5-8PM

**C. Graduate Division Grad Life Intern, Kathleen Bennallack**

1. Point to hire someone to manage GSA website; grad life website being updated; send flyers/info about events (Google Calendar event) to

Kathleen to send to all grads.

**VII. Presentation from Off Campus Housing Coordinator, Kevin Nicholson [20 minutes]**

- A. For the website later: function to better understand transit routes around housing
- B. Looking to work with local transportation to make commute easier
- C. Emergency/temporary housing: Funding set aside for Basic Needs; students are met with individually to assist with transition to more permanent housing
- D. If interested in learning more or giving more feedback, reach out to Kevin.

**VIII. Presentation on DPC Reallocation and Proposed Changes to Financial and Judicial Bylaws, VP Financial Affairs [30 mins]**

A. [Department Per Capita Fund Transfer](#)

- 1. Vote to Rescind Council Resolution #1
  - a) If rescinded: move money from departments to return DPC funds to GSA controlled indexes.
  - b) Finance committee will review Student Life Office funding guidelines/policies.
  - c) Vote: 42 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions  
(1) Passed

B. Proposed Changes to Financial Bylaws and DPC Oversight

- 1. [Presentation on Proposed Bylaw Changes](#)
- 2. Keeping track of department use with DPC
- 3. Motion for 5 minute extension
  - a) Objection
  - b) Motion to extend to 2 minutes, approved
- 4. Comment on document above to be discussed by exec board before next CM

**IX. Update on GSA Staff and Budget (VP Financial Affairs) [30 minutes]**

- A. [Working GSA Staff Member FTE](#)
- B. [Vote on Proposed Budget Options for Staff Person at \\$50,000/year](#)
- C. Picking between funding FTE completely from reserves, or from reserves and annual budget → need decision to begin looking closely at budget
- D. At any point, council can remove FTE
- E. What would it look like to remove someone after they've been here for 3 years, or some smaller but similarly extended amount of time
  - 1. "At will" position... process of removal will be hashed out after vote
- F. FTE relieves a lot of labor (that they are not properly compensated for) from GSA Executive board

1. Necessary for position to be full time, includes benefits
  2. Also removes a lot of liability from graduate students regarding policy violations
- G. Movement to extend time by 10 minutes
1. Objection
- H. Do not meet quorum, cannot vote on either option, straw poll leaning towards option 2

**X. Presentation on Proposed GSA Fee Referendum (President, VP Social Affairs) [25 minutes] Tabled**

- A. [2018-2019 Proposed GSA Fee Referendum Language](#)

**XI. Graduate Student Survey, VP Social Affairs [10 minutes] Tabled**

- A. [GSA Graduate Student Survey](#)

**XII. Open Floor and Call for Council Agenda Items [5 minutes] Tabled**

**XIII. Adjourn**

- A. 8:17PM

**Appendix A**

Tabled: APRF 9 Growing up in Science -Jan

1/17/2018 - Attendance: 20; Amount: 100

Faculty meet with grads to share their stories about graduate school and academic life. Series of 1 per month in winter and spring quarter.

Funding will go towards food costs. Amount is within the \$7 per student. Series was funded last spring.

GRF3 "Nonacademic Stem Jobs"

12/7/2018 - Attendance: 20; Amount: \$90

Department: Biology

Presentation by research scientist from Dupoint. Dr. Payen will present on his academic trajectory from academia to industry. This is an opportunity for students to explore jobs outside

of academic.

Funding goes towards food costs. Amount is below the \$7 per student. This is a new event.

GRF4 "Paint Your Research"

12/12/17 Attendance: 30 Amount: \$180

Department: Biology/BioEasi

BioEasi group has hosted this event before to allow grad students from any department to enjoy some creativity and paint their research. The event will promote socialization among grads and artistic expression of their research.

Funding goes towards painting supplies and food. Amount is below \$7 per student. The event has been funded before.

*VP Finance recommends the funding of these bills.*

## Appendix B

We need to fill the following campus committees:

- Advisory Committee on Sustainability (ACS)
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- Chemical Safety and Surveillance Committee (CSSC)
- Community Safety and Security Advisory Committee (CSSAC)

- Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)