President Chad Maisel calls to order

I. Minutes
   a. March minutes were not emailed to assembly
   b. March and April minutes approval postponed until May Assembly Meeting

II. Guest Appearance by Dean Russel of the Graduate School
   a. The Graduate School has hired Zia Bartley (zbartley@princeton.edu) as an Events and Communications Specialist. One of her first jobs will be starting work on the Graduate Student Web Portal.
   b. Last year, the Graduate School began a program in which departments could receive money to bring in alumni and host a career advising/counseling session. Molecular Biology had a successful event this past fall. The Graduate School is currently soliciting ideas to springboard this event in additional departments.
   c. Online publishing of dissertations
      i. Dissertations are currently made available through two methods: Dataspace and Proquest (previously UMI – University Microfilms International). Dataspace is Princeton’s own digital repository open to all web access, whereas Proquest is a subscription-based online publishing service. The Graduate School is proposing that dissertations be allowed a 5 year embargo on Dataspace, as well as published via Proquest either as immediate Open Access or Traditional Publication (only the abstract is available without a subscription; however, anyone with a Proquest subscription can view the entire dissertation). This decision was reached after discussing with Princeton University Press, as well as Princeton faculty.
      ii. Alda Lewis – GSG Religion representative – and other Humanities representatives and students expressed concern over both this amended policy and the Graduate School’s understanding of Proquest. The primary expressed concern is that most universities – and thus most target audiences of an academic text – hold Proquest subscriptions, which allows free access to dissertations published through the service. The students suggest a 5 year, renewable embargo on Proquest publication. Current plans only include a Dataspace embargo, with no option for a Proquest embargo.
      iii. Moving forward, Dean Russel and the Policy Subcommittee will education themselves on Proquest, as well as other universities’ policies regarding the service and embargos therein. It is further requested that the Policy Subcommittee speak with additional publishers beyond Princeton University Press
   d. Giri Parameswaran – GSG Vice President and Economics Representative – inquires into whether additional discussion within the Priorities Committee has
occurred regarding funding to families with more than one dependent. Dean Russel notes that issue will be raised at the next Priorities Committee meeting in early summer.

III. CPUC elections
   a. Chad Maisel, Giri Parameswaran, Joseph de Silva, Kyle Keller, Carolann Buff, and Stephanie Durdan elected to the CPUC General Council.
   b. Marco De Leon elected to the Priorities Committee
   c. Olga Lositsky and Angel Padilla elected to the Rights and Rules Committee
   d. Joseph D’Silva elected to the Resources Committee
   e. Carolann Buff Elected to the Judicial Committee
   f. Kyle Keller elected to the Governance Committee

IV. GSG assembly recruitment
   a. Vice President Giri Parameswaran has emailed the 12-14 empty seats of the GSG representatives.
   b. Representatives and guests suggest, in order to increase attendance, that minutes be made more available, introductory material for new representatives be constructed, the assembly meeting agenda be published to a wider audience, and that the GSG email subject lines include the hot topic rather than simply the meeting. Additionally, in order to increase the visibility, connectedness, and importance of the GSG, the Facebook group should continue to grow and the GSG should open lines of communication with inter- and intra-departmental committees such as the Graduate History Association. Finally, the GSG should construct ways to encourage the representatives to relay information back to their departments.

V. Executive Report
   a. President Chad Maisel has met with the Undergraduate Student Government president, as well as Dean Russel and President Tilghman to discuss various issues related to the GSG.
   b. Princeton Restaurant Week will have a soft launch next year.
   c. A new wristband policy has been enacted for Lawn Parties, in which graduate students buy a wristband for approximately $20 to gain entrance. The old policy required graduate students to be invited as guests by undergraduates.
   d. The possibility of GSG tableing at Communion was discussed and ideas for what to ask or provide were solicited.
   e. The GSG Facebook group has experienced explosive growth and is thriving.
   f. Next month (May Assembly Meeting) will feature an ideas time, in which all attendees will be given an opportunity to bring an idea in front of the committee.

VI. New Business
   a. The GSG will look in to a meal donation plan for Graduate College meals that go unused. Under such a plan, unused meals can be ‘donated’ to local charities.
   b. The Molecular Biology department is interested in a retirement savings plan, noting that such a plan could be much better if sponsored or set up through the university.

VII. Next Assembly Meeting will be held on May 9th, 2012 at 6pm in a new room: Corwin Hall 127.
Alda Lewis calls for adjournment and Katie Hansen seconds.

Attendance

- Executive Committee
  - Chad Maisel – President
  - Giri Parameswaran – Vice President
  - Kyle Keller – Secretary
  - Sarah Grady – Communications Director
  - Friederike Funk – Treasurer
  - Pablo Mosteiro – Social Chair
  - Katie Hansen – Academic Affairs
  - Tim Brandt – Facilities
- Departmental Representatives
  - Nicole Berger (ANT)
  - Tim Brandt (AST)
  - Lichao Cai (CBE)
  - Stephen Blair (CLA)
  - Cate Reilly (COM)
  - Giri Parameswaran (ECO)
  - Julian Petri (GER)
  - Daniell Rowles (MOL)
  - Carolann Buff (MUS)
  - Pablo Mosteiro (PHY)
  - Kyle Keller (PSY)
  - Alda Balthrop-Lewis (REL)
  - Denis Zhernokleyev (SLA)
  - Marco De Leon (WWS)
- Academic Program Representatives
  - Kityan Choi (AOS)
  - Patrick de Oliveira (HOS)
  - Olga Lositsky (NEU)
  - Beth Sully (POP)
  - Mike Campanell (PPL)
- Housing Group Delegates
  - Mike Campanell (BUT)
  - Andra Geana (LAW)
- CPUC Delegates
  - Kyle Keller (CPUC)
- Friends of the GSG
  - Lisa Schreyer (DSL)
- Guests and Others Present
  - Lesilie Ribouch (REL)
  - Marian Messing (WWS)
  - Kaite Yang (PSY)
  - Stephanie Durden (WWS)
  - Jessica Lowe (HIS)
- Thomas Carlson (HIS)
- Manu Radhakrishnan (HIS)
- Iwa Nawrocki (HIS)
- Joseph D’Silva (ELE)
- Rebecca Johnson (HIS)
- Alex Chase-Levinson (HIS)
- Meg Leya (HIS)
- Angel Padilla (WWS)