



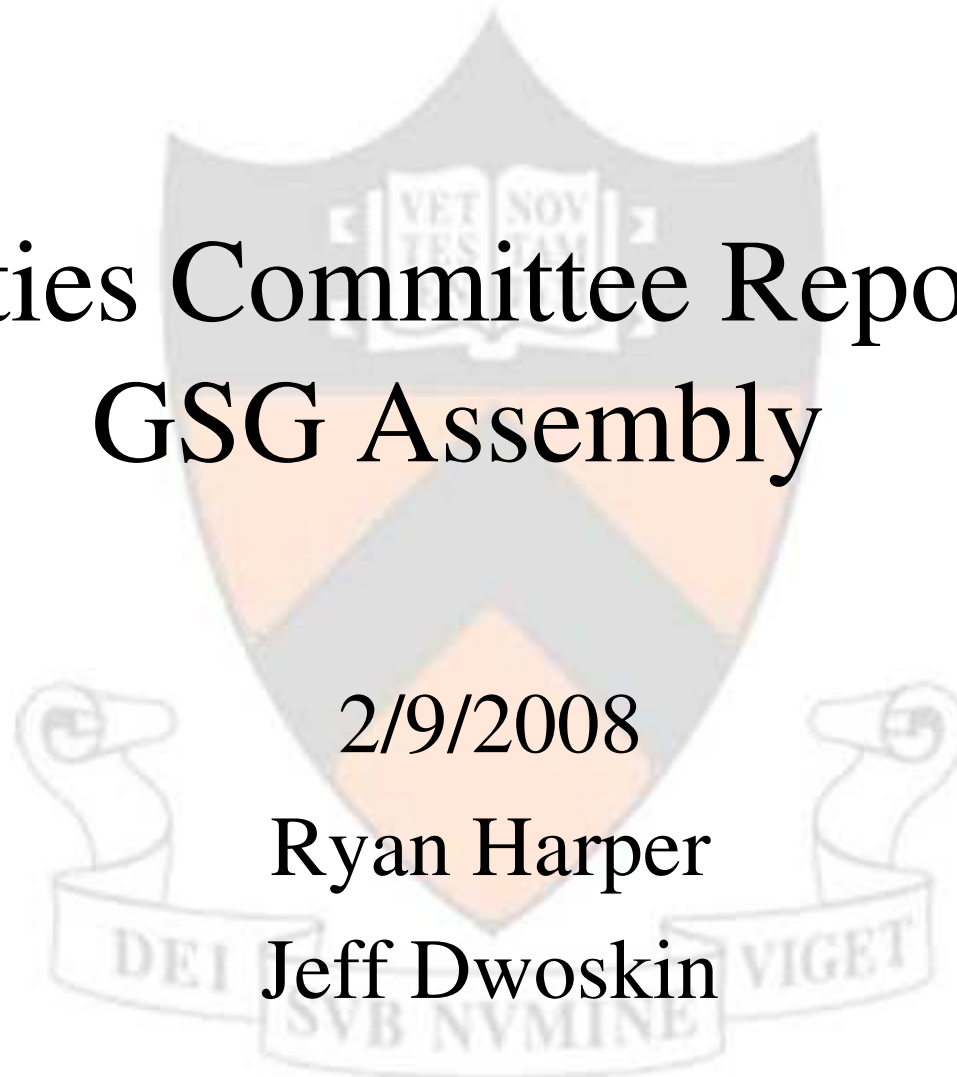
Princeton University

Priorities Committee Report for GSG Assembly

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Priorities Committee Overview

- Purpose:
 - Consider permanent additions to the operating budget
 - Set increases to tuition, room, board, grad stipends, fac/staff salary pools.
 - Review current and past year budget and future outlook
 - Make recommendations to the president and trustees
- Composition:
 - 6 faculty, 4 undergrad, 2 grad, 1 staff
 - Provost, Treasurer, Exec. VP, DoF, (Budget Director, Vice Provost)



Pricom Process

- Meet Oct-Jan, twice weekly
- Three parts
 - Presentations
 - Orientation
 - Written reports (posted online) and questions
 - Public meeting
 - Deliberations and tentative recommendations
 - Meet with Finance Committee of trustees
 - Report & Projections
 - See report at:
<http://www.princeton.edu/~provost/Pricomm.htm>



This Year

- Recommendations for FY09 (2008-2009 academic year)
- A strong budgetary year
 - Strong endowment returns with spending rule changes in past few years, strong annual giving
 - ~\$1.6M to allocate, with proposals for > 2.6M
- Recommendations
 - Information management and IT
 - Health and well-being
 - Campus safety
 - Attracting and retaining the best people



Changes Affecting Grad Students

- Stipend increases
 - 4.16% increase in fellowships for hum/soc sci (to \$25k/12mo)
 - AR/AI rates set separately and also to increase more than 3%
- Tuition and fee increases kept low at 3.9%
 - **DCE tuition 3.6%** (\$2500 → \$2590)
 - GC room rates 3.76%, GC board rates 4%
 - Most apartments 3%, Butler 4% on average to catch up to “market”
 - Student Health Plan \$1050 → \$1150
- Discretionary funds (\$5000/yr) for humanities and social science professors



Changes Affecting Grad Students (2)

- Health Services
 - Medical assistants, Travel and immunization, Substance abuse counselor
- Grad school office reorganization
 - New data analyst position for data team
- Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) staff
- Facilities Safety & Security program
 - Centralized focus on safety, prox, building access, alarms



Other Changes

- Athletics
 - Sports clubs, intramural events
- Frist Campus Center
 - Assistant director (for weekend and evening supervision)
- Faculty/staff salary pools
- Information Technology (OIT)
 - Website development, OnBase document management
- Library – Records manager
- Communications
 - New media for Princeton website (term funds)
- Human Resources
 - Employee relations specialist
 - Manager training (term funds)
- Undergraduate laundry



Future Priorities

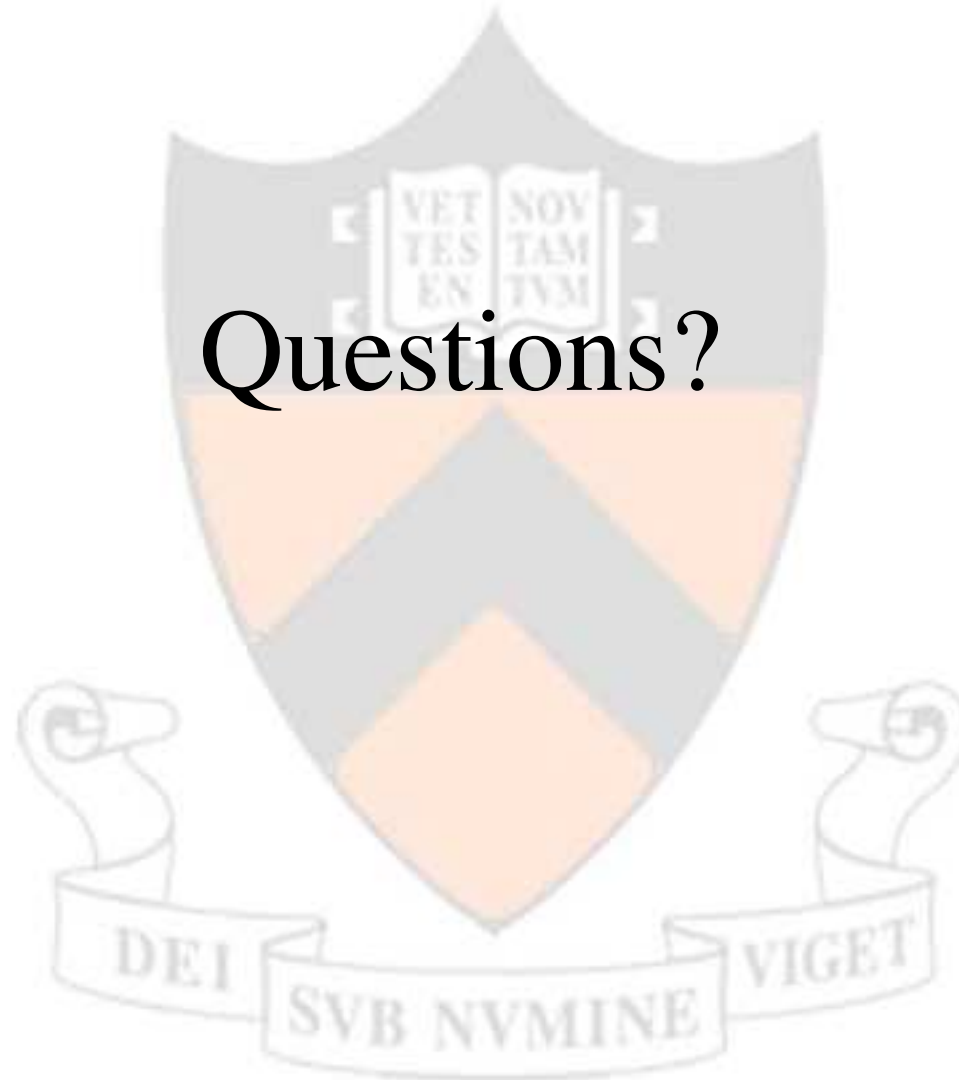
- Writing courses for grads in sciences and engineering
 - Initial program currently on term funds with a few sections
 - High demand from students/faculty
 - Expand with more staff and more sections
- Funds for scholarly travel
 - Looking to locate existing funds first
- Career Services
- Campus recreation
- Extend laundry improvements to grad housing
- Weekend cleaning of Graduate College
- Librarian for Scholarly Publishing



Continuing Advocacy Goals for GSG

- Keep housing rates in line with stipend increases
- Improved availability of sports/fitness facilities

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Questions?