



GRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

12 September, 2012
September Assembly Meeting
Corwin Hall, Room 127
6:00 – 7:00pm

- President Chad Maisel calls the meeting to order at 6:06pm
- Facilities Chair Tim Brandt motions to approve the August Assembly minutes, with Academic Affairs Chair Katie Hansen seconding the motion. The motion carries and the minutes are approved.
- Amy Pszczolkowski, Assistant Director of Career Services, in charge of graduate student counseling, attended the meeting as a special guest of the GSG.
 - Amy spoke at length about Career Services, highlighting that it caters to graduate students in addition to undergraduates, operating on an appointment basis with drop-in hours from 3-5pm during the week. In particular, she calls attention to the numerous services offered through the Career Services website (www.princeton.edu/career), including Tiger Tracks – a system for employers to post non-academic jobs and available to all current graduate students on an opt-in basis.
 - Career Services offers its free services throughout the year, holding several career fairs and a large variety of workshops. All information is kept confidential, and it is never too early for graduate students to visit. The most important services offered are, typically, for graduate students transitioning into non-academic jobs, including job search and interview strategies, networking, and converting a CV into a resume.
- Vice President Giri Parameswaren provides a rundown of the GSG and the Ivy Summit for the start of the new academic year.
 - The full text of the GSG primer can be found on the GSG minutes webpage for the September minutes.
 - The Ivy Summit is a council of delegates sent from each of the Ivy League universities plus MIT, which meets to discuss issues and solutions related to graduate student life. The delegates include both graduate students and administrators from each university
 - This year, the Ivy Summit will be held at the University of Pennsylvania. The Princeton GSG will invite interested graduate students to drive down to Philadelphia during the first weekend of November to attend, with the official delegation being selected at the October assembly meeting. This year's advocacy issue is student mental health.
- President Chad Maisel gives an update on Princeton restaurant week.
 - The time for the event has moved to November 11th through the 15th, with various restaurants around Princeton offering three-course meals for \$25 to graduate students showing their prox card.

- University Student Life Committee election
 - The USLC charter allows the GSG to send five delegates to the committee. Internal discussion decides that, de facto, the GSG president, facilities chair, and health & life chair, will represent the GSG alongside two volunteers elected by the assembly. The USLC meets twice a month, once among only the students and once with faculty and administrators, with the first meeting in early October.
 - Anna Offit, Simon Fuchs, and Kityan Choi (AOS) volunteer for the position, necessitating an election by the assembly.
 - Anna Offit and Kitayan Choi are declared the winners of the election.
- Campus Recreation Committee election
 - The Campus Recreation includes a member of the GSG alongside its other members from administration, faculty, staff, USG, and others. It is in charge of improving health and well-being of the student body, particularly as it relates to the campus gyms, the Stephens Fitness Center, and intramural sports.
 - April Williams volunteers for the position. Tim motions to approve the nomination and Katie seconds. The motion carries with a voice vote.
- Events Board summary and volunteers
 - The GSG events board was founded to make it easier for graduate students to get events funding from the GSG. The board consists of seven members – the GSG treasurer, Olivia Martell and Lisa Schreyer, and four volunteers – and has \$16,500 to award for the upcoming year. The board meets bi-weekly (every other Tuesday at 2pm) with flexible, six-month terms.
 - In the 2011-2012 term, the GSG Events Board sponsored over 40 events – ranging from \$25 to \$800, and currently has \$2000 to allocate before the end of October. Applicants need not be officially recognized groups, just graduate students, and should apply 2-3 weeks in advance. Up to \$800 can be approved by the board, with anything more requiring approval by the full assembly. Applications can be made through the GSG website, under the Events tab. Funded events must be listed in the weekly events board bulletin and be open to all graduate students.
 - The board is looking for three or four volunteers from across the university to represent the graduate student body. If interested, please email ffunk@princeton.edu or eboard@princeton.edu
- President's Report from Chad Maisel
 - Chad attended a meeting of the Princeton Alumni Association, which includes both graduate and undergraduate alumni. Among the discussion items were an update on the construction projects around campus, a report on the University's endowment, and early discussion of the Graduate College Centennial next year.
 - The GSG will be holding its annual Wine and Cheese party on September 28th in Campus Club from 8pm to 11pm.
 - The GSG will be piloting a new program for incoming students, providing them with ice cream or coffee vouchers and encouraging them to meet in groups with students in other departments.
- New business
 - Alex Balistreri (NES) brought attention to the fact that there is a surplus of housing available. Facilities Chair Tim explains that the large waitlist,

conservative housing estimate, and late offering of contracts caused many students to look outside of campus for housing, resulting in a surplus.

- The next GSG assembly meeting will be held on October 10th at 5:45pm in a new room (to be announced).
- Join us on Facebook!
 - <http://www.facebook.com/groups/princetongsg/>

Attendance

- Executive Committee
 - Chad Maisel – President
 - Giri Parameswaran – Vice President
 - Kyle Keller – Secretary
 - Sarah Grady – Communications Director
 - Friederike Funk – Treasurer
 - Pablo Mosteiro – Social Chair
 - Tim Brandt – Facilities
 - Andreana Kenrick – Health and Life
 - Katie Hansen – Academic Affairs
- Departmental Representatives
 - Nicole Berger (ANT)
 - Tim Brandt (AST)
 - Lichao Cai (CBE)
 - Shilpa Nadimpalli (COS)
 - Giri Parameswaran (ECO)
 - Adam Pellegrini (EEB)
 - Daniell Rowles (MOL)
 - Carolann Buff (MUS)
 - Alex Balistreri (NES)
 - Pablo Mosteiro (PHY)
 - Kyle Keller (PSY)
 - Alda Balthrop-Lewis (REL)
 - Alf Garcia (SOC)
 - Marco De Leon (WWS)
- Academic Program Representatives
 - Kityan Choi (AOS)
 - Angelina Sylvain (NEU)
 - Beth Sully (POP)
 - Mike Campanell (PPL)
- Proxy Representatives
 - Caitlin Charos (ENG)
- Housing Group Delegates
 - Mike Campanell (BUT)
- CPUC Delegates and Committee
 - Carolann Buff
 - Marco De Leon
 - Kyle Keller

- Chad Maisel
- Giri Parameswaran
- Olga Lositsky
- Angelina Sylvain
- Stephanie Durden
- Friends of the GSG
 - Olivia Martell
- Guests and others present
 - Chris Johnson (WWS)
 - Jennifer Guo (COS)
 - Corinne Kannenberg (HIS)
 - Simon Fuchs (NES)
 - Lawrence Zhou (FIN)
 - Yuan Shi (PPPL)
 - Baxter Oliphant (POL)
 - Laura Tatum (WWS)
 - Anna Offit (ANT)
 - Markus Kiegl (APC)
 - Rachael Barry (MOL)
 - Julia Wittes (MOL)
 - April Williams (MOL)