



GSG Digital Assembly Meeting  
Remote Meeting  
**July 12, 2017**

- I. Increase in Student Activities Fee
  - Now \$17 (up 50¢) as specified in our constitution. This is in line with the University Fellowship increase, which went up 3.18% this year.
- II. GSG Office Move
  - The GSG office is moving from Frist to Campus Club this summer and will be available to us in September.
  - The Den is being converted with part of it used as Campus Club storage, and the rest for the GSG.
  - We will have our own meeting space for 14-16 people which means we may also be able to provide it as a meeting space for assembly members and committee members.
- III. Update on Annual Giving Collaboration
  - Vanessa Silva wrote (week beginning June 26th) to all of the students whose letters were used with the full content of the email that went out in their names. She will be passing those along to GSG exec too.
- IV. Proposed Childbirth and Adoption Accommodation Policy Change (Emily)
  - **Summary of Proposed Policy Change:** Provide the same level of funding for DCE students who apply for the Childbirth and Adoption Accommodation as regularly enrolled students currently receive. As the policy exists, students who have a child during regular enrollment receive 5.5 years of funding, while DCE students who have a child only receive 5 years.
  - The draft proposal can be read in full here: [CBA Policy for DCE](#).
  - If you're interested in the fine print of the current Graduate School CBA policy, you can find those details here: [current CBA policy](#).
  - Comments and questions can be directed to Emily Kern (either [emilymk@princeton.edu](mailto:emilymk@princeton.edu) or [gsg@princeton.edu](mailto:gsg@princeton.edu)) or Merle Eisenberg ([merlee@princeton.edu](mailto:merlee@princeton.edu)).
- V. Executive Update
  - Housing work session (Mai)
    - On June 20, the housing office hosted an all-day work session to review and make recommendations on housing policy, communication,

operations, and assessment. Members of the Office of Student Life, GSG, GHP, and other interested graduate students attended the work session, and will continue working with housing during the next 12 months to improve graduate housing. Students who could not attend the housing work session but are interested in being involved should email GSG.

- Housing system upgrade (Mai)
  - During the first week of July, the Princeton housing system was updated. The old system, Princeton One Stop Housing (POSH), is now offline. The new system can be accessed at [hres.princeton.edu](https://hres.princeton.edu) and clicking the link “My Housing for Graduates” under “Graduate Student Housing.”
- Graduate Housing Project update (Mai)
  - The GHP will be resuming activities under the joint leadership of Sarah Marie Bruno, William Smith, and Zach Hervieux-Moore. The GHP will be focusing on assisting the housing office with surveying housing satisfaction. Interested students should contact us.
- Transit changes (Mai)
  - The Summer Connection and East Commuter summer schedules have been revised to increase bus frequency during peak hours. In brief, the Summer Connection will not stop at Lot 21 and will circulate every 20 minutes during peak hours (8am-12pm, 4-9pm) and every 40 minutes during off-peak hours. The East Commuter will circulate every 10 minutes during peak hours (7-10 am, 4-8pm) and every 20 minutes during off-peak hours. The Summer Commuter will stop at Lot 21 on request after 8 pm.
  - Mai has also received several complaints about the summer connection being late or not following the schedule. If you are having problems with TigerTransit, please email us with specifics (e.g. bus route, stop, how long you waited, etc).
- Assembly survey update
  - Kate received 12 responses to the survey; it would be good if more people responded. As agreed, none of the data is disclosed to anyone except me.
- OIT advisory board
  - We are working with Jay Dominick in OIT to set up a new OIT advisory board. Our first meeting discussing the possibilities was very promising and they’re very willing to work with us. We will be meeting September 1st to plan what this committee will look like.
- Graduate Career Advisory Board
  - Career Services is working to launch a new graduate student-focused advisory board. The first meeting will be held over lunch on Wednesday, July 12. If you’re interested in getting involved, please fill out the

following form (<http://bit.ly/2syHmVs>) or reach out to Susanne Killian directly at [susanne.killian@princeton.edu](mailto:susanne.killian@princeton.edu).

**Next meeting:** August 9, 2017