Meeting called to order 5:54pm

**Opening**

- Welcome to new representatives
- Reminder to find proxies if representatives can’t attend
  - Three absences might result in being removed from assembly
- Overview of voting procedure

**McGraw Center (Laura Murray) presentation and Q&A**

- McGraw has had programming for graduate student pedagogy training
- New program: “Graduate Student Learning Program”
  - Focusing on learning in graduate school to develop skills and strategies to learn more effectively, be more productive, and flourish
  - To promote academic thriving among Princeton’s doctoral and master’s students
  - Addressing the fact that many skills necessary to flourish at Princeton remain untaught - the “hidden curriculum”
- This new program will involve many components
  - Department visits
  - 1:1 consultations
  - Workshop series
    - First workshop: “Grad School: It’s Different” for new first year students (Thurs 9/27)
    - In October: “How to Give, Receive, and Elicit Helpful Feedback”
- Will distribute an online survey through GSG about students’ needs and ideas for programming
- Focus groups
  - Students from across disciplines to learn expectations and requirements
Comments:
- Thank you to McGraw center for centralizing and creating programming specific for graduate students
- Would it be nice to have a workshop about saying no to opportunities in order to maintain time management goals
- Would be nice to have a workshop about managing and working with undergraduates in research settings
- Regarding international students, there is a need for programming about navigating U.S. classrooms, esp. for students with some U.S. experience but desire more fluency in social and academic situations
- Would like a workshop about public speaking, e.g. for conference presentations & job talks - specifically for the full day or all weekend job talk events
- Programming about mental health, mindfulness, dealing with stress

Vote to support Childbirth and Adoption Accommodation changes

- GSG has been working to support grad students with families
- Last year we put together a proposal with 2 main changes
  - Eligibility for child leave and enrollment extension to both parents
  - Eligibility for child leave to DCC students
- Graduate School wants to redefine “primary caregiver”
  - If you will spend 30 hours caring for a child, then you will be considered a primary caregiver
    - Both partners can take primary caregiver at the same time or sequentially
  - If you are funded by the University (i.e. regular enrollment or DCC) you can take the child care leave
  - These proposals meet and/or exceed the proposals by the GSG
- Changes need to be approved by faculty, so the Graduate School wants a vote of support from the GSG

Concerns about referendum:
- Document says that leave needs to be within 1 year period. Both partners can take consecutive 12 week periods or simultaneous 12 week periods, but must be within 1 year of childbirth

RESOLVED: Motion to “issue a statement approving the Graduate School’s proposed policy changes” passes unanimously.
Young Grad Alumni Trustee proposal

- YGAT proposal sent to Assembly before meeting

Concerns about referendum:
- Conditions if no one decides to run
- Support for 2-year term so more people get to run and so current students are familiar with the students who are running

Health & Life Officer change

- Elia Miller is stepping down as Health and Life Officer
- Mai has appointed Sarah Marie as the acting Health and Life Officer
- GSG Assembly has to elect a new Health and Life Officer (in October or November)

Call for volunteers

- Off-campus representative for Parking and Transportation Advisory Committee
  - Sarah Marie
- Faculty-Student Committee on Sexual Misconduct
  - Should email Mai with statement of interest and CV to express interest
- Lake Campus planning committee
- Financial Literacy Day
  - Planned by Grad School, email Mai with interest
- McGraw BSE IW workshops
  - Contact Noah

Approval of previous meeting’s minutes

Motions to approve June, July, and August meeting minutes pass by unanimity.
RESOLVED: June, July, and August meeting minutes approved.

Open Forum

- Any updates on gmail migration (including @alumni.princeton.edu upon graduation)?
  - OIT has been saying that it will happen this fall, but no updates to exact date
- Proposal to make Lakeside & Lawrence reps voting members
○ Will be on agenda in October

● Questions from CEE constituents
  ○ Why do students have to buy their own computers for research?
    ■ This is department specific
  ○ CEE has 2 offices, one recently renovated, and there was concern about how which students get assigned to sit where
    ■ There is no University policy on office space (and many humanities students do not have an office space)

**Meeting Conclusion**
Motion to close meeting passes.
RESOLVED: Meeting closed at 7:08pm

**Next meeting:** October 10, 2018 5:45pm