



GRADUATE STUDENT  
GOVERNMENT

### **GSG Assembly Meeting**

June 17th, 2020, 6:00p

Remote meeting: Zoom code sent in email

#### **I. 6:00 - Call to order (5 min)**

- A. Quorum count
- B. Discretionary spending report
  - No spendings from the discretionary

#### **II. Focus groups (20 min)**

##### **A. Diversity and inclusion initiatives (departmental and university-wide)**

- We would like to work on programming on different department levels or university levels with respect to diversity and inclusion.
- Diversity and Inclusion workshops through McGraw
- Interdepartment committee that discusses these issues (open forums, etc)
- MAE has a Diversity and Inclusion climate committee made of grad students, postdocs, and professors
- Funding for a seminar series to address diversity and inclusion
- Having an outreach course that can act as a substitute for course requirements -- better yet, the required MOL ethics course now includes a diversity section and this can be incorporated in other required ethics courses like EGR501
- Removing standardized test requirements such as the GRE and GRE Subject Tests
- Having a mentoring program between grad students

##### **B. Orientation ideas**

- Information in video form which people can access at their own pace

- Having panel of current graduate students (more individual opportunity to interact with the students) / breakout rooms to talk to current individual grad students.
- Restructuring not useful sessions i.e.) tax sessions where they don't necessarily have to give out information, but can point towards good resources
- What personalized nice things can we give out, not just wasteful knick knacks? water bottle? gift card for local Princeton businesses? Nope.
- Having a GSG survival guide and signal boosting that.
- Playing online games with random groups of people
- Keeping the student panels
- We need to make sure that orientation also stays accessible online for people who cannot make it to campus

### **III. Request for help: BLM Statement collection**

- A. We would like to collect any statements issued by each department to compare and identify gaps/discrepancies

### **IV. Open Forum**

- A. Re-opening issues/concerns
- B. Resources grads expect to need during remote

*Next meeting: July 8th, 2020 6PM*