

****PUBLIC NOTICE****



GRADUATE
STUDENT
COUNCIL

Graduate Student Council Assembly Meeting

Monday, November 13, 2023, 5:30pm-7:00pm

*****VIRTUAL MEETING*****

Pursuant to section 551.127, Texas Government Code, one or more council member or graduate student may attend this meeting remotely using videoconferencing technology.

REMOTE OPTION: <https://unt.zoom.us/j/84911369115>

A. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of a Regular Session of the Graduate Student Council Senate

B. CALL TO ORDER

C. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted in one motion. Should the Parliamentarian, a Senator, or the GSC President desire discussion of any item, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

1. Approve the minutes of the October 9, 2023, Senate meeting.

D. BUSINESS AGENDA

1. Discussion with GSC President concerning the upcoming 3MT competition and request for volunteers.
2. Discussion with the GSC Parliamentarian concerning the possible implications and outcomes from the passage of Proposition 5.

E. COMMITTEE UPDATES

The purpose of this section is to allow each Standing Committee chair or respective VP to provide general updates and/or comments to fellow Council Members, the public, and/or staff on any issues or future events.

F. SENATE COMMENTS & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The purpose of this section is to allow each Senator, the GSC President and the GSC Parliamentarian the opportunity to provide general updates and/or comments to GSC Senate Members, the public, and/or staff on any issues or future events. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, any GSC Senator, Director, or Executive Council Member may direct that an item be added as a business item to any future agenda.

G. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

H. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION TO TAKE ACTION, IF NECESSARY, ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

I. ADJOURN

**The Graduate Student Council Senate reserves the right to recess into closed session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters posted on this agenda, as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Section 551.071, "Consultation with Attorney" for the purpose of receiving legal advice.

Posted on this 9th day of November 2023, on the Graduate Student Council website.

Lowell Johnson
Parliamentarian
2023/2024 Graduate Student Council



Graduate Student Council
Senate Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2023
UNT Union, Senate Chambers

Attendance: (Non-Voting) GSC President Sri Lakshmi Thanuja Beeram, GSC Vice President of Administration Vikas Burgupally, GSC Vice President of Programming Dasari Naren Surya Tanju, GSC Parliamentarian Lowell Johnson, Director of Legislative Affairs Vesta Stacy, and Director of External and Internal Relations Ryan Duncan

(Voting) Sen. Sravan Kumar Reddy, Sen. Saipriya Muvvala, Sen. Sai Kumar Akkena, Sen. Sravya Uppala, Sen. Aero Olubusola, and Sen. Celeste Ortega-Rodriguez

Consent agenda: **Approved by general consent of the body.**

Business items Item Discussion and Action taken:

Item #1, Consider and Act on proposed changes to the GSC Constitution: Motion read into the record.

Discussion concerning the apportionment of GSC Senators by Senator Olubsola.

Discussion concerning the replacement of Senators by Senator Ortega-Rodriguez.

Hearing no further discussion, motion for approval made by Senator Ortega-Rodriguez, Seconded by Senator Sravan Kumar Reddy Duvvuru. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Item #2, Consider and act on proposed changes to the GSC By-Laws: Motion read into the record.

No discussion concerning the changes being made to the GSC By-Laws.

Motion to approve the By-Laws changes made by Senator Olubsola, seconded by Senator Ortega-Rodriguez. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Item #3: Welcome remarks made to the GSC Senate by the GSC President and the GSC Vice President of Programming. No action taken.

Item #4: Senate discussions and direction to the GSC Parliamentarian concerning the number of readily available lactation rooms on the UNT Denton campus. Presentation made by Senator Ortega-Rodriguez. Referred to Parliamentarian for possible legislative action.

Item #5: Senate discussions and direction to the GSC Parliamentarian concerning the number of readily available gender-neutral restroom facilities on the UNT Denton campus. Presentation made by Senator Ortega-Rodriguez. Referred to Parliamentarian for possible legislative action.

Item #6: Senate discussions and direction to the GSC Parliamentarian concerning the current pay rate for graduate assistants on the UNT Denton campus. Presentation made by Senator Ortega-Rodriguez. The item was tabled by Senator Olubsola, time certain, to the December 11, 2023, Senate meeting.

Item #7: Withdrawn by Senator Ortega-Rodriguez.

No further business.

Meeting Adjourned October 9,2023, at 6:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lowell Johnson, Parliamentarian
October 9, 2023