



**Graduate Student Council
Meeting Minutes
Senate Meeting
September 9, 2024
UNT Union 341
ZOOM Link**

Attendance:

- Executive: Bala Kilaru (Pres), Celeste Ortega-Rodriguez (Parl), Keerthi Vanga (VPCM), Satya Namala (VPPO), Lowell Johnson (D-LA)
- Senators: Julia Freund, Bisola Adeyemi, Brittany Rivera, Megan Barnes, Gyrenna Barrera, Sagarika Allu, Jayce Hanchette, Nithya Grace Biju, Kim Brinzoï, Zachary Gilbertson, Radhika Bansal, Nicole Peterson, Snigdha Reddy Nannuri, Rajiv Adusumalli, Krislyn Massey, Saide Mahama, Dyan Knapp, Sam Sandin
- Public: Vesta Stacy
- Faculty Advisor: Dr. Denise Baxter

A quorum of the GSC Senate was seated and the meeting was opened by the GSC Parliamentarian at 5:30 PM.

Welcome to New Senators

Senator Oaths

Consent Agenda:

- **Items # 1 and 2** concerned the approval of minutes from the August 12 and September 4, 2024 trainings. Motion for approval was made Senator Rivera. Motion seconded by Senator Hanchette. **Motion passed by a majority vote of the Senate.**

Business Agenda:

- **Item #1, Approve the FY25 GSC Budget allocation.** Motion read into the record by the GSC Parliamentarian. Motion for approval was made by Senator Rivera. Motion seconded by Senator Bansal. **Motion passed by a majority vote of the Senate.**
- **Item #2, Discuss and act on the Special Election Dates for the election of the Vice President of Administration and Finance.** Motion read into the record by the GSC Parliamentarian. Discussion concerning election dates by Senators Barnes, Sandin, and Hanchette. Motion for approval of special election dates was made by Senator Adeyemi. Motion seconded by Senator Biju. **Motion passed by a majority vote of the Senate.**
- **Item #3, GSC Presidential address to the Senate regarding communication with UNT President.** Q&A opened to the floor by the GSC President. No further action taken.

Senate Comments & Future Agenda Items

- Senator announcements regarding office hours, committee assignments, and email signatures provided by GSC Parliamentarian.
- No agenda items suggested.

No further business.

Senate meeting adjourned at 6:12 PM on September 9, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Celeste Ortega-Rodriguez', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Celeste Ortega-Rodriguez, Parliamentarian
September 11, 2024