Senate Meeting  
The Graduate Student Association  
September 29, 2010  
Pryzbyla 327  
Minutes

Members present:

Fr. Charles Benoit  Mimsi Janis  Kostas Xiromeritis
Carla Burns  Zdenko Macko  Jonathan Zappala
Chloe Canton  Louise Mundstock  Mary Zito
Joshua Canzona  Ryan Norris  Marcel Brown
Anna Carstons  Dcn. Jim Pearce  Joe Forte
Lauren Davis  Patrick Rooney  James Lewis
Philip Demahy  Fr. Jim Sabak  Michelle Lubatti
Blythe Fox  Kia Smith  Blythe Shepard
Thad Garrett  Annaliiese Striz  Josh Abbotoy
Jennifer Gullickson  Megan Treacy

Meeting scheduled start: 7:30 p.m.  
Meeting actual start: 7:33 p.m.

I. Prayer – led by Fr. Jim Sabak

II. Minutes approved

III. Reports

Vice President

- Reminder to contact Graduate Campus Ministry with any ideas or recommendations for graduate student services
- Request received for evaluation of campus vendors
- Graduate Interdisciplinary Conference: call for papers coming soon

Treasurer

- Department budgets to-date handed-out; future updates will be sent electronically
- Reminder: UEF’s are approved three times a week

Secretary

- Reminder to submit senate and alternate appointment forms

Academic Senator: Josh Abbotoy

- Report on the Academic Senate meetings on September 16, 2010:
  o Provost wants to move toward a 75%/25% model for undergraduates to graduates, allowing for better graduate student funding
A Ph.D. given years ago was revoked due to blatant plagiarism throughout the dissertation
Emeritus status conferred on a law school faculty member

Lectures
- Budget update
- Clarification/recommendations on addressing faculty requests for funding (in response to a question)

Conferences
- Budget update
- Please let students know to:
  - Notify Fr. Jim via email if something is submitted in Rm 125
  - Add their email address to their contact information on the form

President
- Executive Committee approved Joshua Canzona as the second academic senator
- Lockers for graduate student use: currently under consideration, please let Marcel know if any ideas regarding it and these will be brought up with the Vice President for Student Life at their next meeting.
- Graduate student space on campus: please notify Marcel
  - if ideas for any particular spaces
  - of any current graduate spaces, and of interest in refurbishing these spaces and/or listing them on the website
- Reminder: any senator may propose motions as part of a meeting’s new business; if interested in submitting a proposal for the agenda, please email Michelle (30lubatti@cardinalmail.cua.edu) or Marcel (36brownm@cardinalmail.cua.edu)
- Parliamentarian position is still open

IV. Old Business - none

V. New Business
- Second Academic Senator: Motion made by Joe Forte, seconded by Dcn. Jim Pearce, and adopted by majority vote to confirm Joshua Canzona as an Academic Senator for the 2010-2011 academic year.

VI. Open Forum
- Kia Smith recounted an incident this summer in which funding was removed from a school’s account by the school administration, and additional funding was demanded for a school activity. The senators consulted with Marcel and Steve, and referenced the Constitution in their defense. The situation was resolved and ended with the senators and administration on good terms.

Meeting end time: 8:13 p.m.