

1. Approval of minutes from last GSU Council meeting (1/19/17)
 - a. Josh Mason, President of GSU (*Biological Sciences*): Do we have a motion to approve?
 - i. Andrew Schranck (*CEEES*): Approves this motion
 - ii. Niraja Suresh, Quality of Life Chair (*Biological Sciences*): seconds this motion
2. Guest Speaker, Adam Lies from ProMazo, unable to attend tonight due to wife being in labor. In his place, Evan & Nicole from ProMazo.
 - a. Evan is based out of New York City.
 - i. Asked for a breakdown of grad students at tonight's meeting.
 - ii. All are Ph.D. students
 - b. ProMazo is a consulting firm.
 - i. Hire students to do all of the consulting
 1. Students take care of our basic project needs
 2. Ph.D's can be some of our best project managers
 - ii. We love to have the graduate side of the equation with the young adult.
 - iii. If (you're) looking for a bridge to some kind of industry, we act as a pretty good bridge for that.
 1. Depends on what you want to get out of it.
 - iv. We'd love to connect with you guys
 1. The clients love to have the great work from you guys
 2. You, the students are getting the experience
3. Nicole: Has been on two projects with ProMazo.
 - a. Undergrad here at ND
 - b. Finance/Econ major
 - c. I've learned so much from being a project manager
 - i. Learn through experience
 - ii. Great experience with client, when you're a project manager
 - iii. Opportunity to do real work
 1. You can teach me
 2. I can teach you
4. Robbin Forsyth (*Art, Art History, & Design*): Is it mainly financial consulting?
5. Evan gave percentages/breakdown
 - a. If you're not a finance major, it's not unusual to get put on a different project
 - b. It's not limiting
 - i. One of our biggest needs is design
6. Question (didn't get student's name): Is this an internship or a 5 + 1?
7. Evan: Not sure what the 5 + 1 is, so it's not that.
 - a. It's very well paid.
 - i. Best wages on campus
 - b. We try to stay away from internships
 - c. You are adding value for us
8. Question (didn't get student's name): Is this Part-Time or Full-time?
9. Evan: Part- Time

- a. We're flexible around finals and breaks
 - i. Are you here during the summer?
 - ii. We look for work during the summer as well when undergraduates are gone.
10. Mimi Beck (*Grad Student Life, Program Director*): It's an off-campus job, correct? You are able to hire international students, right?
11. Evan: We can hire through CPT. Not on campus.
12. Monica Schroll, Co-Social Committee Chair (*Chemistry & Biochemistry*): We're not allowed to take an outside job.
13. Evan: Unless you get approval from your advisor. Most are pretty open to it.
 - a. We haven't had a problem with that in the past.
14. Matyas Abel (*Integrated Biomedical Sciences*): How does the pay work with the university stipend?
15. Evan: A combination of the CPT and approval from your advisor. If those approvals came through, then it is fine.
16. Nicole: We've had quite a few international students.
17. Evan: Adam Lies is on campus full time. He'll meet with you on a daily basis as a full time resource for you guys.
18. What's the biggest value you would get from ProMazo? The money
19. Matyas: As someone interested in consulting as a career...would be a great opportunity and help with your skill set.
20. Shaw Cook (*ESTEEM*): What percentage of your alumni go off to work with the top companies?
21. Evan: We're 24 months old but I know we've had 3 (go to top companies).
22. Nicole: It helps you network and connect. I got an internship this way.
23. Evan: A position was created for a girl directly under a CEO.
24. Question (didn't get student's name): About how many ND grads are working for you now?
25. Evan: About 10. Total, we put about 370 through. (all students). 10 ND students are active right now.
26. Andrew: How would you compare ProMazo...(didn't hear rest of question)
27. Evan: No one does what we do right now. So far, we're the only one.
28. Nicole: The Career Center and Career Fair. You hope you stand out. We do a much more personal level. We're giving you the opportunity to groom a student to go to work right away.
29. Matyas: Is there a limit of students?
30. Evan: The more money we make, the more money you make.
31. Josh: Are there any more questions?
32. Josh: We put the sign-in sheet at the back table near the nametags. Please sign-in.
33. Josh: The Constitutional Amendment (Article I: Immigration Status) must be voted on twice. Do we have a motion to approve?
34. Jake Coen (*Medieval Studies*): Motion to approve.
35. Aryanne de Silva (*Psychology*): Seconds this motion.
36. Josh: Constitutional Amendment has been approved.

37. Executive Committee Report was read by Josh
 - a. Currently 36 applicants for the preliminary competitions which are Feb 27 (Science), Feb 28 (Arts & Letters), and March 2 (Engineering). For more information, see 3mt.nd.edu
 - b. Olivia has been working on the website and we will be meeting with MarComm shortly.
 - c. Bridgette has been working on re-vamping the CPG to increase clarity for applicants and will continue to do so moving forward.
 - d. If you would like to run for GSU Executive Board for the 2017-18 AY (1 President, 2 Vice Presidents), a call for nominations/platforms will go out in March and the elections will take place by our final meeting in April. Feel free to contact any member of the Executive Board if you have any questions.
38. Mimi: The next Executive Board will have new space at the Duncan Student Center!
39. Health Care Report was read by Josh, as Natalie Sargent couldn't be at tonight's meeting.
 - a. Spring Blood Drive was held on Feb. 14 which was a huge success
 - b. 51 donors and 40 units were collected.
 - c. This is 120 lives saved!
 - d. Last Spring, we only had 35 donors and 24 units collected
 - e. Going forward, this spring, the committee will continue work on the FAQs page we've started and remain open to any other ideas/projects that reps would like to propose.
40. Academic Affairs Report was read by Josh, as Heather couldn't be at tonight's meeting.
 - a. Very high turnout for 5 + 1 Event last month. Still some unresolved questions and the Dean's office will be available to work with individual departments that require additional information going forward.
 - b. The Advanced Studies committee of the Academic Council hear a report on graduate housing, which indicated the university will not consider building new housing to replace University Village or O'Hara Grace. Instead, the administration will partner with developers to provide alternative housing options to grad students in independent housing complexes.
 - c. The University Committee on Advanced Technologies continues to address the issue of wireless connectivity issues on campus and is likely to move forward in the coming year with a plan to take ND Secure offline in favor of Eduroam.
 - d. The University Committee on Libraries heard a report indicating that print circulation is down considerably in the past three years but electronic access is up, suggesting that users are still accessing our paid content, but in alternative forms. A sub-committee has been formed to investigate study spaces for students on campus and will convene over the next month.
 - e. Arts and Letters College Council will meet Wednesday, February 15.
41. Professional Development Report
 - a. Research Slam Recap: PD committee met with grad school in Dec. to discuss the proposal. Conclusion: event should be recurring, every month or every other month in a casual location on or off campus.

- b. The *slams* will provide opportunities for all students to share their research and projects in an informal & interdisciplinary setting.
 - c. Ongoing Work: We are currently planning to begin this series in late May or early June & run monthly, informal *slams* throughout the summer for those on campus, building momentum & excitement into the next school year.
 - d. Currently hoping for smaller “test” run in March.
 - e. We are also in process of organizing panel or panels on alternate career paths for PhD degree holders for this Spring. The panel will try to incorporate both administrators on campus as well as alumni of the graduate school itself.
 - f. We are open to other, smaller-scale ideas for PD ideas. Please contact the PD Chairs with your thoughts on how we might provide PD development opportunities to you and what kind of opportunities you’d like to see in the future.
42. Quality of Life Report
- a. Grocery carpool for grad students is ongoing
 - i. Approximately 15 residents served over a 4 week period
 - ii. 5 drivers provided with Starbucks gift cards
 - iii. Process seems to be working smoothly. Perhaps more automation regarding updating the google doc weekly, etc.
 - b. Parking grievances from grad students
 - i. Issue with D2 lot - parking for grad students and upperclassmen - has been discussed looking into why there have been issues with finding spots in D2
 - ii. Parking gate - Moose Krause Circle - going up by August, no access for grad students from this point on
 - c. Bike Sharing Program
 - i. Met with Parking committee & currently, a project report being developed regarding cost-benefit analysis, comparisons to other programs in climates similar to ours, as well as logistics
 - ii. Currently involved with process of developing the project report - goal is to have it submitted by end of semester to Parking Committee.
 - d. Queer in Academia Luncheons
 - i. Race & Intersectionality: Feb 24, 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. McNeill Room, LaFortune (lunch served)
 - ii. Religion & Spirituality: April 7 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Notre Dame Room, LaFortune (lunch served)
 - iii. We are still looking for speakers - if you’re interested or know of anyone who might be interested, please email Margie at mhousley2nd.edu. RSVP for events via email (acortez1@nd.edu) or on Facebook (group: GLASS).
43. Social Committee Report
- a. Completed Events
 - i. Swiss Valley Ski Trip
 - 1. Huge success! We hope to have two buses for next year!
 - b. Upcoming Events

- i. Martin's Cooking Class
 1. Thursday, March 16, 6 - 8 p.m.
 2. Tickets: \$6.00, sold online at Notre Dame Market Place, click on Martin's Cooking Class
- ii. Brewery Tour
 1. Sunday, March 26
 2. 4 Michigan Breweries (TBD)
 3. Tickets: \$15, transportation included
- iii. Easter Brunch
 1. Saturday, April 16
 2. North Dining Hall
 3. Tickets: \$6.00
- iv. Charity Gala
 1. Saturday, April 22
 2. Riverside Terrace
 3. Tickets: \$20.00
 4. Free Uber's home
 5. Survey will be sent out later this month to pick the charity for the Gala!
- v. Winery Tour
 1. Sunday, April 30
 2. 4 Michigan Wineries (TBD)
 3. Tickets: \$15.00, transportation included
- vi. Please email us if you would like to see a specific social event for Spring 2017! glabonia@nd.edu or mschroll@nd.edu

44. Break Out Sessions

45. Josh: We can open the floor to discussion either on or off record.

46. Josh: I won't be at the next meeting. If anybody is interested in Executive Board, don't hesitate to reach out to me.

47. Mimi: The Grad School is looking for somebody to sit on the University Sustainability Strategy Committee. Email Mimi if interested. (mbeck1@nd.edu)

48. Josh: Do we have a motion to adjourn?

49. Margie Housley, Co-Quality of Life Chair (*English*): Motion to adjourn.

50. Andrew: Seconds this motion.

51. Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.