

1. Approval of minutes from last GSU Council meeting (April 14, 2016)
 - a. Joshua Mason, President of GSU (*Biological Sciences*)
 - b. Do we have a motion to approve?
 - c. Aryanne de Silva (*Psychology*) Yes
 - d. Greg Cruess (*Theology, Ph.D.*) seconds this motion
2. Approval of GSU Constitution
 - a. Joshua Mason, President of GSU (*Biological Sciences*), We removed more of the parliamentary procedures to make meetings more engaging
 - b. Do we have a motion to approve?
 - c. Gabe LaBonia, Co-Social Chair (*Chemistry & Biochemistry*) Yes
 - d. Caitlin Smith (*English*) seconds this motion
3. Approval of GSU Budget
 - a. Approval of budget will take place at next month's GSU Council meeting on October 13
 - b. Josh discussed budget and how it works with student activity fees
4. Guest Speaker
 - a. Brian Fremeau (*Director of Facilities, LaFortune Student Center*)
 - b. Brian discussed Crossroads project
 - i. Duncan Student Center will be on West side of stadium
 1. Nine stories high
 2. Well over 100 yards in length
 3. Includes several eateries with healthy options
 4. Coffee venue including outer area seating & low slung stage where acoustic performances, etc. can take place
 - ii. Wrapped up December 2017 but in stages
 - iii. Aspects of each stage will open under different timelines
 - iv. South end of Duncan Student Center (2nd floor) will house administrative suite & welcome desk
 - v. Residential Life, Grad Life & Grad Lounge also housed at South end
 - vi. Climbing wall & central stairs in heart of building
 - vii. Large video wall
 1. Programming opportunities
 - a. Game Watches
 - b. Other opportunities
 - viii. Level 3
 1. Strength & fitness equipment
 2. Large basketball court
 3. Rec Sports
 4. Administrative Offices
 5. Activity Studios
 - a. Cycling classes
 - b. Fitness classes
 6. Open to below views
 - ix. Level 4

1. Level 4 open to below views
 2. $\frac{1}{2}$ of a mile track
 - a. Multiple ways to access track
 - b. Track runs along both edges of basketball court
 3. Activity Studio & open fitness area
- x. Level 5
1. New Career Center
 - a. Organized into lots of small spaces
 - b. Lots of interview rooms
 - c. Offices for 1 on 1 consultations
 2. Entire middle section along West facing windows is lounge area
 - a. Potential space to open up in evenings as quiet study area
- xi. Level 6
1. Mechanical
- xii. Levels 7, 8 & 9
1. Hospitality
 - a. 10,000 square foot ballroom on 7th level
 - i. Multiple large events can happen simultaneously
- xiii. Webcams available to watch progress of project
- xiv. Brian: Are there any questions?
- xv. Will Cernanec (*Sociology*): What will be the access to this building on game days?
- xvi. Jake Coen (*Medieval Studies*): Under normal circumstances, will this be open 24 hours?
- xvii. Brian: We expect a very late and very early timeframe. Potentially 6am - 2am. We will have to better understand the needs of Grad students first.
- xviii. Leo Guardado (*International Peace Studies*): Does this include a sauna?
- xix. Brian: No, however there will be a lactation room on level 2 and he pointed out on the screen where the restrooms will be located also.
- xx. Rachel Jonker (*Philosophy*): How are things designated as for Grad students?
- xxi. Brian: Certainly there will be signage. There won't be anything to swipe. As far as lounge space, we will have to train people that it's graduate specific.
- xxii. Bridgette Drummond, GSU Co-VP (*Biological Sciences*): How does the rec space compare with Rolf's?
- xxiii. Brian: The square footage is fairly similar. There is triple the amount of fitness equipment in this space.
- xxiv. There was a question regarding social usage of the space (student didn't state name).
- xxv. Brian: The idea isn't to dictate what grad students need but to provide the space for them to decide.
- xxvi. Mimi Beck (*Grad Student Life, Program Director*): There is always a demand for quiet study space. There are also empty spaces in Grace

and Flanner. John Lubker (from the Grad School) is working hard to get this space for quiet study spaces. John is advocating strongly for this to happen. There aren't many spaces on campus to build community. My guess is that it won't act primarily as a quiet space.

- xxvii. Question regarding free fitness classes (student didn't state name).
- xxviii. Brian: I don't think there is any intention to change the current fees but (we can) check with Rec Sports.
- xxix. Maggie Regan (*Applied & Computational Mathematics & Statistics*): Is this replacing Rolf's?
- xxx. Brian: This is an ongoing discussion. Rolf's staff will move over to operate this. Space open to students, faculty & spouses.
- xxxi. Question regarding how hours will affect...(didn't hear comment) (student also didn't state name)
- xxxii. Brian: If something is open in the building then the first two floors, minimally need to be open. Do we need to open at 6:00 a.m.? The fitness center may need to and the coffee venue may need to. These are operational questions with no solid answers yet.
- xxxiii. Brian: Regarding acoustics, there is acoustician who has been working on this.
- xxxiv. Tim Champion (*Mathematics*): Is LaFortune going to be replaced by this?
- xxxv. Brian: No. WVFI and the GSU will be moving. All else will stay put. There are ideas of a future renovation to this building but still keep as a student center.
- xxxvi. Mike Haskel (*Mathematics*): Would you plan to open up spaces that are more ad hoc?
- xxxvii. Brian: Some spaces in the floor plan where ad hoc meeting rooms are very much opportunities where groups of students could find places to gather.
- xxxviii. Mimi: I have a set of blueprints for the grad lounge if anyone is interested.

5. Guest Speaker

- a. Collette Mak (*Librarian, Hesburgh Libraries*)
- b. Collette discussed Rigor and Relevance in Scholarly Publishing Conference
 - i. Aimed at grad students and early career faculty
 - ii. Begins at 1:00 on September 30 and runs through Oct 1
 - iii. Approximately 10 speakers and a panel
 - iv. Question (student didn't state name): How will it affect those not in STEM field?
 - v. Collette: Humanities is more likely to be doing things such as blogs, etc. There is a specific session aimed at Humanities.
 - vi. Robbin Forsyth (*Art, Art History & Design*): Is there a speaker schedule yet?
 - vii. Collette: Yes, it's on the website (library.nd.edu/rigorandrelevance)

- viii. Collette wants to stress the importance and wonderful opportunity of this conference
6. Josh: Thank you Collette
 7. Josh: We want to thank you all for your time tonight. We want to start an all inclusive GSU.
 8. Bridgette: The Michigan State game GSU Concession Stand is this weekend if anybody is interested in helping us out, please come on out. Location is Galvin West between the library and the stadium. We will be selling The Shirt as well.
 9. Committee Reports
 10. Heather Stanfiel, Academic Affairs Chair (*History*)
 - a. Heather discussed her report that is included in the agenda for this council meeting
 11. Question (student didn't state name): How will the 5 + 1 transitions look?
 12. Heather: These are all great questions. I'm working with the associate dean in A & L.
 13. Natalie Sargent, Healthcare Chair (*History*)
 - a. Natalie discussed her report that is included in the agenda for this council meeting
 14. Aastha Nigam, Professional Development Co-Chair (*Computer Science & Engineering*)
 - a. Aastha discussed her report that is included in the agenda for this council meeting
 15. Antonis Anastasopoulos, Quality of Life Co-Chair (*Computer Science & Engineering*),
Niraja Suresh, Quality of Life Co-Chair (*Biological Sciences*)
 - a. Both discussed their report that is included in the agenda for this council meeting
 16. Monica Schroll, Social Co-Chair (*Chemistry & Biochemistry*)
 - a. Monica discussed the social report that is also included in the agenda for this council meeting
 17. Josh: We'd like to take about 5 minutes and go into break out sessions. (Josh designated parts of the room for the different committees). He asked for those to exchange contact information and talk with each other for a bit.
 18. Josh: We're looking forward to the great work that you're going to do.
 19. Josh: Now we'd like to have open discussion which can be on or off the record. Also, if you have a concern, please come with a possible solution.
 20. Peggy Hnatusko (Director of Programming, SAO and Advisor to the GSU). Peggy explained "Union" as in the Graduate Student Union. GSU is the grad student government. (Their) power is to allocate student activity fees and to advocate for different things. They also sit on university committees for representation. There is currently a survey out about all of the physical spaces on campus and how they are allocated.
 21. Mimi Beck: Grad Student Appreciation Week is October 3-9. Lots of free stuff, hosting unique events, locker room tours, etc.
 22. Leo: Is there a Communications Chair?
 23. Josh: We used to have a Publicity & Procedures Chair. We're trying to work this out, as far as social media goes. We're working actively, talking to chairs.
 24. Josh: Do we have a move to adjourn?

25. Natalie: Yes

26. Shawn Cook (*ESTEEM*): Seconds this motion

27. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.