General Council Meeting  
Tuesday, 22 March 2016, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.  
College of Law, Room 135

I. Call to Order  
At 6:02  
Attendance:

Present: Mariia Khorosheva, Jasmine Sears, Justin Ostrowski, Anne Myers, Chandni Parikh, Katie Strawn, Delaney Stratton, Juhyung Sun, Ryan Fagan, Victoria Moses, Joy Veluz, Usir Younis, Jahaira Vera, Jim Collins, Caitlin Harrison, Preshit Ambade, Sarah Netherton, Adam Meier, Vic Keschrumrus, Alex Karaman, Brandon Smith, Sarah Seavey, Jennifer Sedler, Thomas McClintock (proxy by Jasmine Sears), Trudie McEvoy (proxy by Alex Karaman), Mark Ryan (proxy by Sarah Netherton), Sierra Fung (proxy by Usir), Chris Sogge (proxy by Alexander Karaman), Jennifer Sedler (via Skype).

Absent: Jared Brock, Sarah Kosso, Ankush Nayak, James Geach, James Carlson, Karthik Srinivasan, William Robertson, Levi Tappan, Katie Strawn, Stuart Gibson.

Guests: Chris Hargraves.

Breathing Exercise

II. Call to Audience  
This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Council may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.

III. Approvals  
a. March 1, 2016 and March 8, 2016 minutes  
b. January Club/POD Funding recommendations  
   i. J. Sears: I sent them a week ago, are there any objections to approving club and pod funding recommendations?
   Vote: 28 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstain

c. February Research and Project Grant recommendations  
   Vote: 28 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstain  
   i. J. Sears: Joy needs to leave early.  
      1. She will give an early report.  
      2. Are there any objections?
ii. J. Veluz: The Gala is this Friday.
   1. The event is very fun and we worked very hard to plan it.
   2. On Wednesday we have a spin class at 7 pm.
   3. If not signed up for that, please do so.
   4. We have Dodgeball on Thursday the 31st.
   5. It’s the first tournament, you can sign up as a team or free agent.
   6. We need 7 people per team.
   7. In terms of prizes we aren’t sure what we can give yet, we want to see what can be financially approved.
   8. These are the events I encourage you to promote to your constituents.

IV. Old Business
   a. GPSC 25th Anniversary Event Budget – S. Netherton
      i. S. Netherton: Regarding the anniversary event budget.
         1. We did get a little more of this squared away, but not final.
         2. But of course doing things at last minute.
         3. These are the things we have contracts for.
         4. The food budget has just been finalized today, looks like it will be 57 total.
         5. If you have any questions do let me know.
      ii. M. Khorosheva: Has this email been sent out?
      iii. S. Netherton: No.
      iv. J. Veluz: We will have to refigure the number.
         1. One of the dancers had a rupture.
      v. M. Khorosheva: Will there be a fundraiser?
      vi. S. Netherton: There will be an auction, we are not expecting to raise significant money.
      vii. M. Khorosheva: How much money do we have left extra for this year in terms of the budget?
      viii. S. Netherton: I’m not sure, I have been busy.
         1. This is an expenditure we spent out of our anniversary account, going to foundational account.
      ix. J. Collins: Have you sold any tickets?
      x. S. Netherton: We actually have sold a few tickets.
         1. We have another 16 people if not more.
      xi. J. Collins: Are any former GPSC presidents planning to come?
      xii. S. Netherton: Not many.
         1. We did get a few responses, but past president many not able to come.
         2. We have the 3 past University presidents planning to come.
b. Reports and Summaries of Current Events (Representatives)
   a. Suggested purchases to benefit College of Pharmacy Ph.D. students – U. Younis

   Any GPSC Representative may present a brief summary of current events pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02(K). The Council will not discuss or take action on any current event summary.

   i. U. Younis: I know that GPSC has money they we can’t find what to do with.
      1. My constituent came up with ideas for the College of Pharmacy Ph.D of how it can benefit us.
      2. We have 4 tracks in our program.
      3. One of the huge tracks, Governmental Policy and Outcomes, is a huge track, has lots of graduate students, but they don’t have very much long term licensees for all the different types of statistical programs.
      4. It often depends on the advisor re-licensing the program.
      5. I have a long list and an explanation of how the program would benefit each student and the total price.
      6. For Pharm EPO total is $3476.
      7. If we could help this track, it would be a long standing investment for graduate students.
      8. I can send out a breakdown for every software they are asking for, and people can read the justification of how this is benefitting them.
      9. We can vote on this on whatever amount.
      10. They would be appreciative of anything.
      11. In our track we are running low on lab money and instrumentation.
      12. There are a few instruments in our lab that are running low on warranty.
      13. Sometimes the instruments work and sometimes they don’t and we have to live day by day.
      14. I don’t know how to pay for it.
      15. I went to the director of finances at the college of pharmacy.
      16. He said that money from different sources could be used to buy a brand new instrument.
      17. It costs 50 thousand dollars, but I would like 2 or three thousand or any other amount.
      18. That is my suggested purchases of having funds for.
      19. It has been months and we can’t find way of finding funds.
20. This would help 70 students.

ii. **A. Karaman:** I apologize, I just walked in.
    1. I heard the most resent expenditure for instruments.

iii. **U. Younis:** Yes, so there are 4 different tracks.
    1. 1 tracks required lots of statistical instruments.

iv. **A. Karaman:** This is smart.
    1. We were discussing with Sarah that it is usually one statistical software usually used on one computer.

v. **U. Younis:** We can use this forever.

vi. **A. Karaman:** To me this is smart.
    1. We are spending money in a way that is renewable and sustainable.
    2. I have created a budget mockup and shared with Sarah recently.
    3. This is based off current enrollment number.
    4. And based on windfall numbers for international students.
    5. Pharmacy based on their enrollment numbers has anywhere between $2834 or $3484

vii. **U. Younis:** Pharmacy pharm D. or PhD?

viii. **A. Karaman:** This is Pharmacy proper.

ix. **U. Younis:** There are about 450 Pharmacy students and about 65 PhD students.

x. **A. Karaman:** And what you are talking about is only useful for PhD students.

xi. **U. Younis:** A lot of the Pharm D. is dual programs.

xii. **A. Karaman:** What I was going to say was that based my calculations, and lets assume we aren’t giving windfall money to international student programming, pharmacy proper has 3481 dollars of that windfall to spend proportioned to the numbers of students.
    1. The majority of programs have not come up to spend money.
    2. These numbers will shift up for colleges that do have proposals.
    3. This is my way of saying get proposals from students.
    4. I agree with what you are saying.
    5. This is me running the math and being perfect dollars per student about it.
    6. If there was a way to contact the other 450 students and see what they want.
    7. How much would licensing cost?

xiii. **U. Younis:** I have a whole list

xiv. **A. Karaman:** What is the maximum?

xv. **U. Younis:** $ 3500.

xvi. **A. Karaman:** That would be pretty close to your allotment.
1. But you might have additional money for your allotment if some colleges don’t step up for their money.
2. My concern is if our timeline for spending money fits with this.

xvii. **U. Younis**: We have 5 months.

xviii. **A. Karaman**: If we would give 5 thousand dollars for the instrument, could the money be spend in time by June?

xix. **U. Younis**: I could easily use the money.

xx. **B. Smith**: I have a quick question.
   1. What instrument are we talking about?
   2. Yours is broken.

xxi. **U. Younis**: High pressure liquid chromatography (HPLC).
   1. The software is on windows 98.
   2. The old system crashes and is out of warranty and is pricey.
   3. We are running off award money that we want.
   4. Any way that we could get money would help.
   5. The college of pharmacy director of finances said “I can help you out, but not fully.”
   6. I want to see that we can buy you a brand new instrument.

xxii. **B. Smith**: Who would be able to use it?
   1. The problem of incompatibility with computers is common.

xxiii. **U. Younis**: Everyone would.

xxiv. **B. Smith**: The other suggestion would be to talk to the chemists.
   1. My lab has 2 HPLCs that are sitting around.

xxv. **M. Khorosheva**: I think this idea is great.
   1. I have a question.
   2. Have any other many colleges asked for money?
   3. How many have been able to spend money?
   4. How much money has been spent of the 15k?
   5. Remaining question: Are we going to be able to use this money by the deadline?
   6. What is the remaining amount?

xxvi. **S. Netherton**: I don’t know the remaining amount because I don’t know how much we are not going to use.
   1. It depends on if all of our programs will cost what we anticipated.
   2. I don’t think they will, so it looks like we will have even more money left over.
   3. At this point I am gaging on spending as we go.
   4. We know that we have that amount with allotment.
   5. So far no one have spent that allotment.

xxvii. **A. Karaman**: I will send the document.

xxviii. **S. Netherton**: Yes, please do that.
   1. This way you all have an idea what I had to work with.
2. We had 9 colleges provide something to be purchased.
3. A lot of them not that expensive.
4. Classics and Humanities bought some books for 2500 dollars.
5. We gave some to physics as well.
6. We bought a few things for La Aldea as well, such as mats.

xxix. **M. Khorosheva**: Did we buy new computers?
xxx. **S. Netherton**: Not yet.
xxxi. **J. Sears**: It looks like we aren’t on the same topic we were on.
xxxii. **V. Moses**: How do we submit proposals?
      1. Who do we submit it to?
xxxiii. **J. Sears**: Send it to Sarah or Juhyung.
       1. Send it as soon as possible.
       2. Money expires on June 30th.
xxxiv. **S. Netherton**: I don’t want to push our financial office to prioritize our stuff unless we have to.
       1. We have been emailing back and forth.
xxxv. **J. Collins**: I am talking to the Financial office.
       1. I was asking how we can or cannot spend money.
       2. I am learning a lot of how we can move around the guidelines.
       3. Maybe we could do a mission statement change and that would open the door for more options.
       4. I am talking to people on a weekly basis.
       5. I can weekly update you.
       6. Include me if you could in emails.
xxxvi. **J. Sun**: We have expenses for business purposes for GPSC.
       1. Are some issues possible?
xxxvii. **S. Netherton**: Because it fits well into the main office and how we are doing business purpose.
       1. We are doing a GPSC Satellite office.
xxxviii. **J. Sun**: Maybe software will be fine.
xxxix. **S. Netherton**: I am trying to figure out parallels with what was proposed.
xl. **U. Younis**: We are trying to establish if it’s some business purpose for GPSC.
xli. **J. Sun**: Yes but this is difficult.
xlii. **J. Sears**: You will send out a list of request to everyone.
       1. I really encourage everyone to think about similar requests.
xliii. **S. Netherton**: Especially if I don’t know what software you guys use.
       1. I have no idea where to start for all our colleges.
xliv. **P. Ambade**: If we need to do some modification to the proposal, we can discuss it with the administration.
xlv. **S. Netherton**: I will be working on your proposal next week.
xlvi. **P. Ambade:** There was another submission request from the Health Sciences Library.
   1. Its regarding 4 computers with statistical software.
xlvii. **A. Karaman:** We had a lot of time to think of how to spend money for our constituents.
   1. Last time it was brought up to us 3 months ago.
   2. It was valid then to say Sarah did not say something to us.
   3. But by now we had enough time to get information from colleges.
   4. In SBS we are thinking of a plan to get our allotment.
   5. We are all entitled to our allotment based on enrollment.
   6. Between now and next meeting try to get all information.
   7. People get back to you quickly if you tell them there is free money available with little oversight.
   8. Once we do that, if folks aren't trying to get responses, then we can talk about funding the instrument in addition to the software.
   9. I think the software is a much easier sell than the instrument.
   10. If we would fund the instrument, we shouldn't be owning it.
   11. But it’s different compared to what I think we should be doing with other software.
   12. I think GPSC should buy bunch of computers and get software, and have them rented out.
   13. So we have transcription equipment for example.
   14. Folks should have had more in terms of requests.
   15. If no one ends up with proposals we have 67000 to buy an instrument.
xlviii. **U. Younis:** Only a few people emailed me even though I was sending multiple emails.
xl ix. **A. Karaman:** A lot of us know how people in our College would want this money to be spend.
   1. We need to spend this money and people need to come to meetings with proposals.
lix. **U. Younis:** I can send out all the information and we can vote on the full amount next week.
lx. **A. Karaman:** We need a deadline, if reps can’t come with proposals this is fine.
lxi. **U. Younis:** I want to feel like I did something productive this year.
lxii. **A. Karaman:** If we end up with extra money, I am ok with not spending EB money on Travel Grants this year.
   1. But we shouldn't question expenditures for other colleges to the point that we end up with extra money.
lxiv. **U. Younis:** Are there any other questions in regards to my stuff?
lv. **A. Meier:** Is it licenses for the departments or for the university?

lvi. **U. Younis:** I had reps for each of 4 tracks go to constituents.
   1. The only people who responded to me where the ETO track.
   2. The person sent me a word document, I can ask where she got the numbers.

lvii. **J. Sears:** It’s likely a university discount, with 50 licenses per year.

lviii. **M. Khorosheva:** Can you Sarah send information that you have on what colleges requested what ideas for what amount.
   1. We have never discussed who requested what and for what amount before.
   2. Maybe there can be some estimates next to the colleges as to how much money was requested so we can see how much total money was requested and how much extra money we have.

lix. **U. Younis:** Can we just vote on things the colleges propose?

lx. **A. Karaman:** I think can do both at the same time.
   1. You can use the bottom part of the budget and add another column.

lxi. **S. Netherton:** I don’t have time to write out each item.
   1. But we could do an estimate of what we have available based on enrollment and this is how much I have total for the requests.
   2. It won’t go out for at least another week.

lxii. **J. Collins:** I can put together a document if you send us the ideas.

lxiii. **U. Younis:** Can you write email stating what you learned.

lxiv. **J. Collins:** Yes, I can.
   1. The bottom line is the possibilities are not consistent.
   2. We can skew what you are asking for to fit.

lxv. **U. Younis:** I think we are looking for a more long term solution, not for a short term solution.

lxvi. **J. Collins:** Yes, but we can collect common ideas of what others have proposed.
   1. We can put the request in and get it done.
   2. If you guys want I can start sending weekly updates.

lxvii. **U. Younis:** I can send you an email.
   1. If you have questions direct them to me.
   2. Do you want me to write an additional document?
   3. Can I can be put on agenda for next week so I am not forgotten, so that we can vote on it.

lxviii. **J. Sun:** We were talking about if we can change our mission statement.

lxix. **J. Sears:** I think this discussion is off limits.
   1. Any rep reports now about constituency meetings and so forth?

lxx. **P. Ambade:** We tried to advertise an event for our college.
   1. We have applied for some GPSC POD funding.
2. It is an entirely student organized event.
3. We have designed everything for logistic purposes.
4. I got some feedback from my constituents about how GPSC is interacting.
5. They were unhappy about the GPSC delay in responses, they are asking consider our request in timely manner.

lxxi. **J. Sears:** Jared is not there.
1. POD request is not passed yet.

lxxii. **M. Ryan:** There was a drone for landscape architecture.
1. They would prefer drone for 4 thousand or 6 thousand dollars.
2. Other department also interested in using drones.
3. There is also a request for computers and chairs.
4. The last thing of interest are water bottle stations.
5. We are thinking of 3 sets outdoors.

lxxiii. **U. Younis:** Can I request the first item on the agenda would be the approval of items the colleges have requested?

*Vote: 28 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstain*

lxxiv. **J. Sears:** Ok, its on the beginning of the agenda from now on.

lxxv. **M. Khorosheva:** I have a representative report.

lxxvi. **J. Sears:** You are an officer, you have your own report to use.

c. Reports and Summaries of Current Events (Officers)
   a. President – S. Netherton
      i. **S. Netherton:** We have the Gala on Friday.
         1. We have free tickets set aside for the GC.
         2. We want you guys to be there and be interacting with anyone who shows up.
         3. We are going meet and greet at La Cocina at 6 pm.
         4. We invited people to go there for an informal interaction.
         5. Ex-president Shelton will be there.
         6. He wanted to talk to Grad students beforehand.
         7. If you don’t want to pay, register for the event before Friday.
         8. On Friday you will need to purchase the ticket by door.
         9. If you have questions about specific things, come to the office, or email me and set up a time to talk.
         10. We haven’t had officer reports for a while and need to do them every week.
         11. It took us a while to get the Gala budget talked about.
         12. I want to make sure that any information we have is open to you as a General Council and every student.
         13. If you want to chat, come.

   b. Vice President – J. Sun
i. **J. Sun**: We had the NAGPS legislative action day.
   1. We are trying to identify the interest rates for graduates and undergraduates.
   2. It doesn't make sense that the rates are so different.
   3. We are trying to increase federal research funding.
   4. **For international students we are trying to do a domestic visa revalidation process.**
   5. **Right now as an international student if you need to revalidate your visa, you need to go home to your country.**
   6. We are trying to say: “let students stay in the country while their visa is being revalidated.”
   7. **There is an Open access bill on the senate floor.**
   8. **These are the 4 planks that have not changed.**
   9. Though they are feasible, we need time to implement them.
   10. The nice thing about a state with 3 universities is that our state and house representatives won't say right off the bat that they won't support education.
   11. It is generally a positive experience for us.
   12. We have a little bit of support.

ii. **A. Karaman**: I have question for Juhyung.

iii. **J. Sears**: We can’t respond to or discuss reports according to open meeting laws.

iv. **A. Karaman**: Juhyung, maybe we can be open to providing money toward other things like international students.
   1. Or other things even if they not supported by the legislature.

v. **J. Sun**: Mariia is the Western region International Concerns chair.

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c. **Assembly Chair – J. Sears**

1. **J. Sears**: We have 300 hundred students in optics.
   * GPSC is printing booklets for laser Sunday.
   * Kids will show up, grab a passport and then they get stamps.
   * Usually this is paid for by the optics government, but instead GPSC chipped in this time.
   * Also we’re paying for turning off fire alarms.
   * The total request for Optics is less than 1000 dollars.
   * Which means that there is more money for everyone in the council.
   * A research and project grants update: we have just gotten our new rubric to go live.
   * I would be glad to pass it along.
• According to Research and Project grants committee its better than in the past 1.5 years.
• It’s giving more flexibility in scoring, so we’re not just scoring according to the rubric.
• Also the previous March round just closed.
• We should have decisions to vote on by April 12.
• Also Open meeting laws under new business.
• As a demonstration about what open meeting laws don’t prevent: things need to be on agenda to get addressed, but they can be moved around in agenda.

i. Discussion of duty to follow up on GC decisions
   • This year one of my jobs was to monitor the decisions made by the GC and make sure they actually happened.
   • This is not going to be true for next year based on the changes to the Governing Documents.
   • I wanted to check with you how much this is my responsibility.
   • A while back we voted to make changes to the elections code.
   • The new elections code is still not on the website.
   • What do I do?
   • Last meeting we voted about a survey on tuition that was supposed to go out.
   • That did not happen, please let me know how I should do my job.
   • Otherwise I will keep doing what I am doing.

ii. J. Collins: The Survey hasn’t been done yet.
    1. We should tell Sarah to do it, or otherwise ask council members to do it.
    2. This is off your shoulders.
    3. That would be my proposal.

iii. M. Khorosheva: The updated elections code is complete.
    1. I sent it to Sarah and Chris and they need to agree with the changes I made, so it can be given to Wei Ren.

iv. C. Hargraves: We need to troubleshoot.

v. J. Sun: We need staff time.

vi. J. Sears: As long as its not assembly chairs job to do this.

vii. C. Hargraves: We are working on a new infrastructure next year.
    1. Other staff will be regularly checking-in.

viii. S. Netherton: Meg Lota was our main faculty advisor.
    1. As part of the advisory board she is unofficial.

d. Secretary – M. Khorosheva
i. **M. Khorosheva:** I have several updates

1. The first update is I wanted to see your ideas regarding governing docs.
2. We are currently discussing that in our governing docs committee.
3. Some of the suggestions I remember about stipend were: having full stipends independent of whether reps have come to meetings or not, taking stipends away completely, or basing the stipends on the constituents feedback.
4. These were the three main tendencies I noticed in your original feedback regarding stipends.
5. This would be opposed to basing it on someone else’s interpretation on how well you attended meetings and so on.
6. So let me know which of these three things you’d like to support and we can put it on next meeting’s agenda.
7. We will try to come up with the language and you can tell me which of the ideas you’d prefer supporting.
8. We are also discuss and vote on some other issues that were brought up.
9. There were some questions in the emails about EB decisions and as Secretary I can say a little bit about how the minutes are made.
10. The yellow highlights in the EB minutes are what has been voted on.
11. These are not the only decisions that have been made.
12. A lot of the decisions are not highlighted in yellow.
13. A lot of the decisions are sometimes brought up by the president and stated: ok, this is what I think and this is how we should proceed, and of course these decisions were not voted upon and were not highlighted in yellow.
14. Some of the decisions if they were not voted on, they were just reported.
15. They were not in some of the minutes as well because I was asked not to put them there.
16. Of course some of the decisions I think were communicated outside EB meetings.
17. In terms of the budget, minutes, NAGPS trip, travel grants, EB reviews.
18. Just recently we had an EB meeting where the EB reviews were brought up.
19. The president would be reviewing the EB members and deciding on deleting their stipend based on how well the EB is doing their duties.
20. And this isn’t part of our governing docs.
21. All these decisions were decisions we were not voting on, these were the decision that were announced and they may or may not be in the minutes.
22. Of course there were some other decisions about the computers and Satellite offices.
23. I think I overheard that or it was discussed at the EB meeting but perhaps I was not able to put that in the minutes.
24. This was not something we voted on in EB, so a lot of these decisions were not approved by the EB and not voted on by the GC so its hard to say how these decisions happened.
25. That is just my report as secretary based on questions people have been bringing up over emails as to where the decisions are, what they are, whether they are in the minutes, and whether they are highlighted or not.
26. I wanted to summarize as part of my duty.

ii. S. Seavey: Why are we discussing this?

iii. M. Khorosheva: I am trying to clarify the questions brought up over email
1. A lot people wanted to know if all the decisions were in the minutes.
2. I am stating that they are not in the minutes

iv. B. Smith: This is in our new business.
1. I moved that we move this to the beginning of new business

v. M. Khorosheva: Some of the decisions such as the EB reviews are in the minutes that have not been approved yet as we haven’t met yet.
1. The EB reviews have just been implements
2. Its not part of By-Laws or any Governing Documents.

vi. S. Netherton: If anyone is interested what happened is that it is university policy, I’m required by the Dean of the Graduate College to do it, that’s the reason its not in our by-laws.
1. It has not been done in the past, it is part of what I am required to do.

vii. M. Khorosheva: This was not communicated during the EB meeting, however I do understand.
1. This is not what previous GPSC presidents had ever done.
2. I am just updating you on some decisions
3. Of course in regards to the satellite offices I don’t know if people had ever heard about this before, if this is something we discussed.
4. The NAGPS trip this is part of the decisions the EB didn’t make because the EB was not informed of NAGPS elections or that we were going to vote one way or another
5. The EB found out about this about 1.5 months ago that we voted a certain way.
6. This wasn’t an EB decision.
7. Because I’m the secretary and doing the minutes I’m giving an overview of some of the concerns people have brought up.
8. The recently concerns were the EB Travel Grants and there are some emails that I have in regards to the EB decisions.

iii. J. Sears: How is this related to your report.
iv. M. Khorosheva: That is related to the decisions that have been recently made.
v. J. Sears: We have already discussed the EB Travel Grants.
vi. M. Khorosheva: Some other items brought up over email were the elections.
e. Treasurer – J. Brock
   i. J. Sears: Jared not here. He wanted us to look over the budget so we can vote on it later.
   ii. U. Younis: Moving to have budget right after rep reports next week.

Vote: 28 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstain

iii. J. Sears: Is there anything else that people want to put on future agendas?
iv. J. Sun: I forgot something from my report.
   1. If you want to learn about decisions from before, check out Sarah’s email.

f. Social Chair – J. Veluz

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d. February 16, 2016 minutes discussion, correction, and possible approval

i. J. Sears: I actually moved to approve everything except the golf cart with the addition of allowing extra money not already allocated to go to cultural centers.
   1. Does anyone not remember this other than Mariia?
   2. Does anyone remember me saying it?
   3. Ok, Mariia, you’re outvoted.

ii. M. Khorosheva: Alex previously said that he did not remember this.

iii. J. Sears: Alex did not say that according to my recollection ad he is not here.
   1. And that is just one other person

iv. M. Khorosheva: I think a lot of people may say that this has been done because that is what we want done and implemented.
   1. I remember we had a discussion, these words I typed it word for word.
v. **J. Sears:** You did not, that's the problem.
   1. I remember what I remember myself saying.
   2. We would like it to be correct in the minutes so we don't accidentally overturn a decision that was made by the General Council.

vi. **J. Collins:** This happens all the time.
   1. Secretary wrote one thing and people say something else.
   2. People have flawed memories.
   3. People don't remember.
   4. Let's vote on this.

vii. **M. Khorosheva:** I agree.
   1. This was my proposal originally that we vote on this.

viii. **J. Sears:** Let's vote on what people want the minutes to say.
   1. The original discussion, at the end of list—any money not allocated be spent on cultural centers.
   2. Right now we are voting on what we want the minutes to say.

**Vote: 8 for, 0 opposed, 20 abstain**

ix. **U. Younis:** If this happened in the future let's vote on it during meetings.
   1. This is not a personal attack on anyone, this is just memories.

x. **S. Netherton:** We are now recording every meeting so that it will be right.

xi. **U. Younis:** Who's job is this?

xii. **J. Sears:** It's the Secretary's job to look it up and make recordings.
   1. This will happen in the future.

xiii. **U. Younis:** So it's not so personalized.

xiv. **A. Karaman:** Will we also be video recording stuff?

xv. **S. Netherton:** Hopefully.

xvi. **A. Karaman:** Just for matching voices.

xvii. **J. Sears:** EB decisions got moved to the beginning of the New Business.

V. **New Business**
   a. Open Meeting Laws discussion – J. Sears
   b. Constitutional Amendment discussion and vote – J. Collins
      a. Amend that last sentence of Article IV, Section 1 read as follows:
      "Responsibilities in addition to the duties stated below may be specified in the GPSC Bylaws or at the request of the president. Any changes to an Officer's responsibilities which are made after his or her election require consent of that Officer. Neither the GPSC president nor any of the GPSC Officers have any supervisory authority over other GPSC Officers or representatives."
   c. Archiving of previous Governing Docs versions – M. Khorosheva
   d. Proposed changes to Governing Docs – M. Khorosheva
e. Review, discussion and possible approval of the Executive Board decisions listed in the Executive Board 2015-2016 minutes – J. Collins
   i. J. Collins: Originally I wanted the minutes to be pulled up and we vote on the decisions highlighted in yellow.
      1. We need to think about if other decisions are being made and what we want to do about them in the minutes.
   ii. S. Netherton: I was going to suggest we talk about the budget, because it’s the meeting before we will be voting on it.
   iii. J. Sears: Motion to discuss budget now.  
       Vote: 28 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstain

VI. Reports and Summaries of Current Events (Staff)  
a. Elections Director – M. Stoecklein  
   Any GPSC staff member may present a brief summary of current events pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02(K). The Council will not discuss or take action on any current event summary.

VII. Funding
   a. 2016-2017 Budget Discussion – J. Sears
      i. J. Sears: This is the budget.
         1. The basic idea are these funding sources.
         2. This is what we expect to spend it on.
         3. Now is the time to say if you disagree with a line item, or want another one for next year's budget.
         4. This compensation is set in stone, the stipend stuff is not.
         5. This meeting and next meeting would be the time to make changes to the stipend.
         6. The administrative compensation we can change however we want to before we hire someone.
         7. Events is Kevin's best guess of how he wants to spend the money.
         8. This is his guess where money would go.
         9. Requesting that it would be better to have a lump sum for events.
         10. Social events-same deal with Joy.
         11. This is where the money would go to according to her guess.
         12. About operations: I highlighted in red what has been contentious in past or doesn’t make sense.
         13. Sometimes we can change it.
         14. This is what we have allocated for programs.
      ii. A. Karaman: All the allocations for childcare, travel, research...
      iii. J. Sears: These are SSF numbers only.
      iv. A. Karaman: Not including what we are planning on investing in?
         1. We are planning in investing in POD.
2. Research and Travel reflects what SSFAB funded.
3. We funded 15 in POD.
4. Stated in application that GPSC was matching 5 or 10.
5. **S. Netherton**: I want to say its 5 but not sure.
6. **J. Sears**: Will check by next week.
7. **S. Netherton**: Also I didn’t realize contingency fund is already there, so it's not an expenditure for next year
8. **J. Sears**: Cool, we are now only 25 thousand dollars in the red.
9. **A. Karaman**: What are we doing in terms of voting?
10. **J. Sears**: This is our time to share opinions.
11. **S. Netherton**: The budget has to be approved at the next meeting.
12. **A. Karaman**: The only immediate addendum I have is the following.
   1. EB travel grants should not be for people who are here today involved in process.
   2. This is due to the conflict of interest/
   3. None of us ethically can accept money next tear.
   4. Cameron and Joni are not here and should get Professional Development grants next year.
   5. Him and Joni I am comfortable with.
   6. Other folks should not be able to access this Travel Grant.
13. **J. Sears**: Any objections to this idea?
14. **S. Netherton**: For budgetary reasons we should get our Travel Grants director a travel grant because they don't get to apply since they are running program,
   1. We should also give it to university staff that we employ.
   2. So we would have a total of 1500 dollars for these purposes.
15. **M. Khorosheva**: Are we talking abut this line item in the previous budget too?
16. **J. Sears**: No just this one.
17. **S. Netherton**: We are now training a new travel grants director while having the current one.
   1. I don’t know if we want to budget it in for next year just for the Travel Grant position.
18. **J. Sears**: T-shirts?
19. **S. Netherton**: I would say we shouldn’t spend so much money on T-shirts because we end up holding on to so many.
   2. We had to work to give them away last year and this year have a lot left.
   3. I would say to cut that back.
20. **J. Sears**: Can I delete this?
21. **S. Netherton**: We should keep $2500.
   1. We used the T-shirts for orientation.
22. **B. Smith**: I had the GPSC shirt before knew what GPSC was, so some value in this.
23. **J. Sears**: This parking Passes thing.
   1. I don’t know if it has been used, if not maybe we should delete it.
2. Do we want to make any changes to this?
3. Can we just kill Program Sponsorships?

vi. **B. Smith:** We aren’t making any critical changes to the budget at this point, so we should move on to other items.

vii. **J. Sears:** If any other suggestions, feel free to email Jared with ideas.
1. Moving back to EB decisions again.

f. Review, discussion and possible approval of the Executive Board decisions listed in the Executive Board 2015-2016 minutes – **J. Collin**

viii. **J. Collins:** I created a discussion and was hoping for a list of 50 decisions.
1. When I asked for some bulleted list, Juhyung’s response was precise-
   all EB decisions are highlighted in yellow.
2. Everyone only wants to look at only decisions highlighted in yellow.
3. I don’t think that we will be sued for violating open meeting laws.
4. Let’s at least get those highlighted in yellow decisions out of the way.
5. A lot of them were brought to the council, some of them were not.
6. I’d like to believe you all read all those EB minutes and decisions.
7. Do you want to look at the minutes, or just accept this with the understanding that you can’t go back later.

ix. **J. Sears:** We discussed Satellite offices, but its not a real decision.

x. **M. Khorosheva:** Wait, Satellite offices for what?

xi. **J. Sears:** We talked about it earlier.

xii. **M. Khorosheva:** I just want to put it in the minutes.

xiii. **J. Sears:** Then don’t.

xiv. **J. Collins:** We can skip things that the council voted on already.

xv. **J. Sun:** I apologize if I’m being legalistic in the email.
1. From my perspective a decision is official if it is highlighted in yellow.
2. If it is not, than its not an official decision.
3. What is highlighted in yellow are the only things set in stone.
4. If its not there and not highlighted in yellow, this is what is debatable.
5. Philosophically speaking if it is a casual decision there no formal process and documentation.
6. How heavily do we need to document individual decisions and details?
7. What we apparently need to do is construct a system of what decisions need to be approved by the council.
8. It is difficult to justify every single thing.
9. If that is the only solution, we can do this.
10. There is stuff that is not on there, we can’t capture every individual decision.
J. Sears: We as an EB don’t know what people are asking for, so we can’t provide it.

J. Sun: We are opening a can of worms.

J. Collins: There was no vote on EB travel Grants, but they got created.
1. There are other things that is of course a waste of time to discuss, such as going to a conference.
2. On October 22 there was an idea that Sarah was the boss, as there was no program coordinator.
3. That should be brought up to the council.
4. Especially if there was a controversy on the decisions.
5. The gala coming up was a big chunk of money that was not originally approved.

J. Sears: We need a rubric.

R. Fagan: Suggestions should be covered under things that should be approved.
1. Maybe there are specific things that we should look at.

J. Sears: I will put out your suggestions as a thing we will discuss.

J. Collins: I am trying to continue.
1. An officer review process was created by Emily Comry to target an individual who was making trouble.
2. Someone’s stipend was cut and distributed to Emily Comry.
3. This led to her almost getting sued and GPSC almost getting sued.
4. There is no way to institute a review process after the fact.
5. Whistleblower retaliation will come up.

J. Sears: Jim I am sorry we can’t discuss stipends with the General Council.

J. Collins: I am not asking you to discuss stipends, I am asking whether you will institute a stipend review process.
1. A lot of things are being decided and action taken that the GC council has not voted on, and which are not highlighted in yellow.
2. We should at least approve things in yellow.
3. If EB folks say what are all of the decisions, we can see what are contentious ones.

S. Netherton: I move to second the motion to approve all highlighted in yellow today.

B. Smith: I think the fact how we are trying to go though things is shows that things are not being presented in a nice digestible manner.
1. Probably illustrates more things that need to be fixed in future.
2. This is the way we need to look at things.
3. Clearly the way the system was operating broke down a little bit.
4. That shouldn’t happen and it really means bad things for the entire organization.
5. We need to make decisions as to how we can ensure better communication.
6. I’m sorry Jasmine but your assertion that “I didn’t do anything more and I swear I am telling the truth” does not assure us.
7. If anything that seems contentious at the end of a meeting, maybe a couple bullet points at the end of the EB meeting should be sent to the GC.
8. Information can be presented in a condensed manner, so we can then delve further if we want to.

xxvii. J. Collins: Other organizations say these are the decisions made outside and we made them.

1. I move that all Executive Board decisions highlighted in yellow in the Executive Board minutes be approved and ratified by the General Council and that any and all other decisions made by the Executive Board or any officer shall be suspended, voided, and nullified, pending future submission to the General Council for consideration and possible approval.

xxviii. M. Khorosheva: I second this.

Voting started

xxix. J. Sears: I’m sorry I just realized we can’t vote on this.

1. It needs to go on next week’s agenda.
2. We don’t have quorum [because people are leaving].

xxx. J. Collins: I request that we vote over email.

1. What I’m trying to avoid...

xxxi. J. Sears: We know what you are trying to avoid.

I move to adjourn since we can’t make decisions any more.

X. Updates

XI. Items for Future Agendas
The Board may decide to place matters on future agendas.

XII. Call to Adjourn
At 8:05.