



## GSG General Body Meeting Minutes

Start Time: 5:15 pm

Approved Agenda & Minutes from 10.2.18

Minutes Legend
★ Action Item
★ Action Item for All Representatives
Important dates

### Vote

#### Daniel Bennett Transportation - Police Commissioner & Executive Director Public Safety and Security

- Parking(Transportation Services)/Huskymotors (car rentals)/Shuttle bus services just recently added to responsibilities
- Family members are not allowed on the shuttle owned by MTU due to insurance reasons (Mr. Bennett is working on adjusting that)
  - Students families are welcome to use Lamer's shuttles
- "Believe in complete and total transparency which means you may not like some of my answers"
- Rationale for reduction of designated grad spots in lot 5 and possibility of their return?
  - Reduction in number of grad students purchasing parking permit
  - Possibility of their return?
    - Always possibility of return
    - Parking is self sufficient (ie must make its own money), supply and demand situation
  - Addition of new spots
    - Option we are considering (but we do not have complete autonomy to make decision): converting Cliff Dr (road along back side of campus) to a one way and adding parking spots
    - Who gets to park their? Would graduate students get a chance to park their? Most likely will be other entities (University Senate, Staff, USG) would want some of the parking
    - Considering constructing new lot north of current lot 26

- Would like to build parking deck in lot 11, which would open more options for student parking. However, this would most likely be accompanied with increased parking permit cost (and costs could be comparable with larger institutions).
    - Parking must also pay for snow removal
    - Most likely solution will be to create parking away from center of campus and working on updating expedient shuttle service from satellite lots
  - Real-time bus tracking
    - Looking into it
  - Shuttle to hancock
    - Not anytime soon.
  - Park and Ride
    - Students drive to shopko/econo and get shuttled to campus from there
    - Great idea that we are investigating which will depend on supply and demand
  - Funding sources
    - Experience Tech fee is not an option for parking funding
  - Relationship with town and services open for everyone
    - Has been looked into and will most likely be revisited
    - Size of the bus does matter and determines whether it requires a CDL (Commercial Drivers License), which is a large labor expense
  - Bus Shelters
    - Working on modifying the tennis center into heated bus stop for satellite lot 24
    - Heated free standing bus shelter would cost around \$100,000
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- Told that Lot 5 was almost never full
  - Witnessed decline in purchases which led to decrease
  - Purchasing purple permission give permission to park in Lot 5, Lot 34, Lot 26, Lot 32, Lot 29
- Student perspective
  - Showing up 10 minutes before class and having hard time
- Parking perspective
  - After course ends student may leave campus leaving a few spots open
- Firm complaints should be sent to both parking and Mr. Bennett

## **President's Report**

Apurva Baruah, [gsg-president@mtu.edu](mailto:gsg-president@mtu.edu)

- Complete Healthy Mind Survey - useful for JED
- ATTEND Tech Forward, Oct 5 10:30 am to Noon in the Rosza

- President Koubek wants to listen to students
- DH Sign-up
  - Thank-you for those who have volunteered
- Emergency/Healthcare resource doc out
  - Spread the word!
  - Suggestion/critiques HIGHLY encouraged
- GRCI (Graduate Research Collaboration Initiative) ready
  - Reach out to RESEARCH students only
  - Deadline to complete sheet - Monday Oct 15, 5 pm
- Research Advisory Council
  - 3 Meetings during the academic year
  - Need one liaison with me
    - Kevin Nevorski volunteers
- FORWARD emails to constituents
  - Proofread before sending out!
  - Always ask who/what/where/when/why
- CC appropriate people
  - Not copying the right people = disrespecting them
  - Emails will not be forwarded for you to the concerned person.

### **Vice President's Report**

Prathamesh Deshpande, [gsg-vp@mtu.edu](mailto:gsg-vp@mtu.edu)

- Health Insurance Meeting on Oct 24
  - FEEDBACK form will be emailed tonight
  - Send out to your constituents
- Student Commission
  - Outdoors promotion of the committee on 16th and 17th Oct (mostly by the Husky Statue)
- GRCI
  - Reach out to the graduate students!

### **Treasurer's Report**

Sharath Ankathi, [gsg-treasurer@mtu.edu](mailto:gsg-treasurer@mtu.edu)

- 38 applications for travel grants
- If you received a travel grant this summer but have not received your check e-mail [gsg-treasurer@mtu.edu](mailto:gsg-treasurer@mtu.edu)

## **Secretary's Report**

Jamie Berger, gsg-secretary@mtu.edu

- Stepping down as Secretary
  - Consider nominating another member for secretary

## **Academic Chair's Report**

Jacob Blazejewski, gsg-academic@mtu.edu

- First professional workshop a success.
- For second event, it is fully registered but there is a waitlist.
- The workshops will be recorded via Zoom and PR team will share it with the student body.
- Academic seminar on Oct. 10.
- 3MT registration opening soon!!!
- For the first Professional Development Workshop, Dean received complaints about the students not knowing. SEND THE EMAILS!!!
- (Aparva) Do not forward emails blindly. Proofread!!!
- (Katy) Do not forward it. Copy it in a new email and send it.
- (Bethel) What if students do not read the emails? We need to limit the variables.
- (Katy) Do the reps need to combine the emails from the chairs or separate emails? Reps can choose what they find comfortable.
- Bring new ideas to the Academic Chair.

## **Social Chair's Report**

Ninad Mohale, gsg-social@mtu.edu

- Quick Meeting after this meeting

## **Public Relations Chair's Report**

Prasad Soman, gsg-pr@mtu.edu

- YouTube channel is up and running
- Please share your photographs required for the GSG website

## **Extra Business**

- GRCI interest from students

Meeting Adjourned: **6: pm**