

## **October General Body Minute**

**"All Graduate Students are Members Automatically"**

**Friday October 27th, 2017 @ 3pm**

**Location: Bernhard Center -Room 157**

**Late Lunch served at 2:45 pm**

**I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL – Parliamentarian – Stephanie Haft. 3:08 p.m.**

**II. PROCEDURAL ITEMS – Parliamentarian – Stephanie Haft**

**a. Approved previous minutes as written.**

**b. Approved current agenda was approved with a change:**

The spotlight graduate student section could not be done because the spotlight graduate student was not able to participate. Instead, the topic included was: Updates for RSO's Funding Resources.

**c. Amendments to the governing documents.**

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**III. SUSTAINABILITY GRANT**

### **VIII. UP-DATES FOR RSO's FUNDING RESOURCES. Vice-President-Zahra Ameli**

A financial report was presented by the Vice-president and graduate student organizations were encouraged to apply for operation expenses, and event funds, as well for conference grants.

### **VIII. PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING – President – Amaury Pineda**

Graduate students received instructions on how to apply for the Participatory budget.

Two examples of participatory budgeting were presented:

- Previous GSA proposition for a new space with comfortable chairs for graduate students in the library is almost ready.
- A new proposition consists of mobile charging stations in departments with graduate programs.

### **IX. WEEKEND OF SERVICE – Director of Outreach – Ruth Buntin**

Graduate students were encouraged to participate at Fall 2017 WMU GSA Weekend of Service:

- Activities: on Friday, Nov. 17 from 12:30 to 3; work with the Ministry with Community to serve lunch to the homeless

- Graduate students were encouraged to participate in the “Three Minutes Research Competition” - 3MT on next November 10<sup>th</sup> 2017, and on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018.

**XI. FALL EVENTS – Director of Events –**