

GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SENATE
Meeting Agenda

August 31, 2009; 7:00 PM
Gold Room, MU

- I. Call to order 7:00 P.M.
 - a. Roll Call
 - b. Statement of Quorum by Speaker
 - c. Approval of the Minutes
 - d. Amendments to the Agenda
- II. Introduction of new bills and resolutions
 - a. Senate Bill F09-01 – 2009-2010 Standing Rules
 - b. Senate Bill F09-02 – Modifying the Articles of Cooperation
 - c. Senate Resolution F09-01 – Supporting an Intermodal Facility
- III. Open Forum
 - a. Wanda Kellog - Student Scholar Insurance Program Coordinator
 - b. Sheri Kyras - Cyride Director
- IV. Senate Forum
Open
- V. Remarks and Reports
 - a. Report of the President
President Gross
 - b. Report of the Vice President and Rules Committee
Vice President Peiffer
 - c. Report of the Treasurer and Finance Committee
Treasurer McCarville
 - d. Report of the CIO
CIO Kemmet
 - e. Report of the URLA Chair
URLA Chair Allen
 - f. Report of the PAG Chair
PAG Chair Wells
 - g. Graduate and GSB Senator Report
 - h. Other Committee Reports
- VI. Old Business
- VII. New Business
 - a. Senate Bill F09-02 – 2009-2010 Standing Rules
 - b. Senate Bill F09-03 – Modifying the Articles of Cooperation
 - c. Senate Resolution F09-01 – Supporting an Intermodal Facility
- VIII. Announcements
- IX. Adjournment

GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SENATE
Meeting Minutes

July 27, 2009; 7:00 PM
Gold Room, MU

- X. Call to order 7:00 P.M.
 - a. Roll Call
 - b. Statement of Quorum by Speaker – Met Quorum
 - c. Approval of the Minutes – Approved
 - d. Amendments to the Agenda – None
- XI. Introduction of new bills
 - a. Senate Bill SU09-01 – Picnic Funding Bill
 - i. Not enough food last year and we do not have enough money for this year
- XII. Open Forum
 - None
- XIII. Senate Forum
 - None
- XIV. Remarks and Reports
 - a. Report of the President
 - President Gross
 - i. Cy Ride is bidding out to try get money to build new sites
 - ii. Try get more buses downtown
 - iii. There will be meetings if you want to get involved
 - iv. Senator Mooney asked for clarification – President Gross provided
 - b. Report of the Vice President and Rules Committee
 - Vice President Peiffer
 - i. Will report on Picnic status when bill is discussed
 - ii. Needs Rule Committee
 - c. Report of the Treasurer and Finance Committee
 - Treasurer McCarville
 - i. Will need to form finance committee for allocations and budget for next year
 - d. Report of the CIO
 - CIO Kemmet
 - i. Website updated
 - ii. Check accuracy
 - e. Report of the URLA Chair
 - URLA Chair Allen
 - i. Gone
 - f. Report of the PAG Chair
 - PAG Chair Wells
 - i. PAG grants – explained
 - ii. \$120 for non-presenters/ \$200 for presenters
 - iii. Putting together committee
 - g. Graduate and GSB Senator Report
 - i. No report
 - h. Other Committee Reports
 - i. None
- XV. Old Business
 - a. None
- XVI. New Business

- a. Senate Bill SU09-01 – Picnic Funding Bill
 - i. Picnic funding bill – Cost of pizza alone is above budgeted
 - ii. We would like to add \$600 to current budget
 - iii. Amended by Treasurer McCarville: \$600
 - iv. **Passed** unanimously

XVII. Announcements

- a. President Gross – we will have a training session
- b. We just needed to pass Picnic Funding Bill

XVIII. Adjournment

- a. Adjourned

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SENATE BILL F09-01 SENATE MEETING August 31, 2009

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6 TITLE: Establishing the 2009-2010 Standing Rules
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8 WHEREAS: According to the bylaws, Appendix B: Standing Rules, the standing rules must be
9 presented for adoption to the Senate at the first meeting following the seating of
10 the new senate, and
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12 WHEREAS: The executive council and Rules Committee have reviewed the standing rules and
13 recommended the adoption of the attached document, be it therefore
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15 ENACTED: That the attached 2009-2010 Standing Rules be approved.
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18 Sponsors:
19 P. ALLEN
20 S. KEMMET
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29 Aaron D. Gross, President

Greg Peiffer, Chair of the Senate

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1 2009-2010 Standing Rules for GPSS

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The following rules are guidelines for the Senate. They may be revised, suspended, or discontinued by the approval of the appropriate motion by a simple majority of Senators voting at the meeting of the Senate.

6 1) These rules shall be reviewed by the executive council, under the direction of the vice president, and
7 the Rules Committee at least once each year and shall be presented for adoption, with any revisions
8 made, to the Senate no later than the first meeting following the seating of new senators.
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10 2) The Senate shall meet on the last Monday of each month, unless otherwise arranged.
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12 3) The Chair of the Senate shall strive to follow the guidelines for assigning the floor to speakers as
13 stated in Robert's Rules of Order, so as to provide balance and order to the debate.
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15 4) The Chair shall recognize the first request from the floor. The right to the Senate floor is open to all
16 persons attending the Senate session. Each speaker's right to the floor shall not exceed five (5)
17 minutes for each issue at the meeting, except for committee reports.
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19 5) The Senate may not take final action on a bill or resolution until a sponsor presents the final version
20 clearly to all Senators present at the meeting.
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22 6) Procedure for the submission of bills and resolutions to the Senate:

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a) All bills and resolutions to be proposed must be submitted to the Vice President ten (10) calendar days before the regular Senate meeting.

b) The Vice President and the Rules Committee will review the proposed bills and resolutions and provide feedback to the sponsors.

30 i. The chairperson of the rules committee can state the opinion of the rules committee
31 during their committee report. The opinion from the committee on any legislation will be
32 reported back to senate as being favorable, unfavorable, or no bias. This decision by the
33 rules committee must be supported by the current constitution and/or by-laws.
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35 ii. If the proposed legislation is of a financial nature the rules committee shall forward the
36 bill to the finance committee. The finance committee's opinion will be reported to the
37 senate by its chair person. The opinion of the finance committee will be reported as
38 favorable, unfavorable, or no-bias. This decision by the finance committee must be based
39 on the current financial statement.
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41 c) If there is an urgent situation and these deadlines cannot be met, legislation can still be brought
42 before the Senate provided the following:

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- 43 i) The sponsor is able to show legitimate urgency, and the Senate votes to allow an addition to
44 the agenda. A majority vote from the Senate is needed.
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- 46 ii) The sponsor is able to submit a form of the bill that can be viewed by all of Senate (electronic
47 or overhead).
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- 49 d) The sponsor of a resolution or a bill shall read the resolution or bill aloud at the senate meeting
50 and present any pertinent information about the bill or resolution to the Senate.
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- 52 e) If the bill or resolution is passed, the sponsor has the responsibility to see that action mandated by
53 the legislation occurs.
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- 56 7) General discussion of a particular subject can be held by passing a Motion to Discuss.
57 a) No action aside from debate is possible under this motion, but it is appropriate to make a motion
58 calling for action after debate under the Motion to Discuss has ended.
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- 60 b) Any Senator may make a Motion to Discuss during the Senate Forum or the committee reports.
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- 62 c) The Motion to Discuss is non-debatable, requires a second, has the rank of a main motion, and is
63 passed by a simple majority of the Senators present at the meeting of the Senate.
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- 65 d) Discussion will be limited to a maximum of forty-five (45) minutes, with each speaker allotted a
66 maximum of five (5) minutes speaking time.
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- 68 e) The Chair will remind Senators of the maximum speaking and discussion time after the Motion to
69 Discuss has been passed.
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- 71 f) The discussion period ends:
72 i. When forty-five (45) minutes have elapsed, unless a motion is made to extend the time
73 limit of debate for an allotted period of time, which requires a second and a two-thirds
74 (majority) of present Senators.
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- 76 ii. When a motion is made to end the debate. This motion requires a second and a two-thirds
77 majority to pass. If two-thirds majority is not met, then debate continues.
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- 79 8) Debate following a motion will be limited to a maximum of forty-five (45) minutes, with each
80 speaker allotted a maximum of five minutes speaking time.
81 a) The question may be called during debate and requires a second. At that time a vote to call the
82 question must be taken. A two-thirds majority is required to call the question. If two-thirds
83 majority is not met, then debate continues.
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- 85 b) To end debate the Senate must either:
86 i. Vote on the issue.
87 ii. Vote to postpone the debate until a specified time (or indefinitely).
88 iii. Vote to send the issue to committee for further study.
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- 90 9) Two (2) types of amendments can be made to a bill or resolution:

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- 91 a) Friendly Amendments (minor changes which do not change the original intent of the bill or
92 resolution): spelling errors, punctuation, word usage, and short clarification. The Chair will call
93 for anyone opposed to the amendment. If no one is opposed, it passes by silent consent.
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- 95 b) Other Amendments (major changes which might change the original intent of the bill or
96 resolution): striking portions of the bill/resolution, large additions, or long clarification.
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- 98 10) These amendments must be written down and passed to the Chair.
99 i. After the amendment is made, there will be a total of ten (10) minutes of debate on the
100 amendment. The proponent of the amendment will be given five (5) minutes to explain
101 and support the amendment. There will be five (5) minutes for rebuttal of the amendment.
102 These ten (10) minutes of debate counts against the total forty-five (45) minutes allowed
103 for debate for the given bill/resolution.
104 ii. Major amendments are passed by a simple majority vote.
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SENATE BILL F09-02 SENATE MEETING August 31, 2009

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6 TITLE: Modifying the Articles of Cooperation
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8 WHEREAS: Discussions concerning the expansion of the University Relations and Legislative
9 Affairs (URLA) chair position within the GPSS have been taking place for several
10 years, and
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12 WHEREAS: The GSB University Affairs Committee addresses issues directly related to the
13 GPSS URLA chair position, and
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15 WHEREAS: Previous discussions between the GPSS and the GSB on building an interaction
16 between the bodies within the GSB University Affairs Committee is necessary, be
17 it therefore
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19 ENACTED: That Section 3: Representation of the Articles of Cooperation be changed to
20 include:
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22 iii. The GPSS University Relations and Legislative Affairs (URLA) chair,
23 or designated appointee, shall serve as a voting member on the GSB
24 University Affairs Committee.
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27 Sponsors:
28 P. ALLEN
29 M. McCARVILLE
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37 Aaron D. Gross, President

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37 Greg Peiffer, Chair of the Senate

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SENATE RESOLUTION F09-01 SENATE MEETING August 31, 2009

TITLE: Supporting an Intermodal Facility

WHEREAS: The 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provided grants available to the Department of Transportation via the Transportation Investment Generating Economy Recovery (TIGER) program, and

WHEREAS: Iowa State University sponsored a Campustown study in 2008 to address the growing concern and need for redevelopment of the Campustown community and the study indicate that addition parking would be needed for such a redevelopment, and

WHEREAS: A proposed project between the City of Ames, CyRide, and Iowa State University for the building of an Intermodal Transportation Facility in the Campustown area would accommodate a link between public and private transportation along with addressing the parking need in the Campustown area to stimulate economic redevelopment and the long-term revitalization of the Campustown Community, be it therefore

RESOLVED: That the Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS) recognizes the importance of the Campustown community and its link to the University, and let it be further

RESOLVED: That GPSS supports the proposed project for building an Intermodal Transportation Facility in the Campustown area, with the intention of linking public transportation and revitalization of this area, and let it be further

RESOLVED: That copies of this resolution be sent to the University President Gregory Geoffroy, CyRide Board of Directors (Contact: Shari Atwood), Facilities Planning and Management Program Manager Cathy Brown, Executive Vice President and Provost Elizabeth Hoffman, Vice President of Student Affairs Thomas Hill, Vice-President for Business and Finance Warren Madden, Dean of Students Dione Somerville, Alumni Association President Jeff Johnson, and Zach Thompson, editor of the Iowa State Daily.

Sponsors:

P. ALLEN

M. McCARVILLE

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