

**Doctoral Students Council Minutes
December 11, 2009**

Christine Pinnock (CP) Calls meeting to order at 6:42pm.

I. Approval of Agenda

Gregory Donovan (GD) motions to approve, Jeremy Seideman (JS) seconds motion, unanimous approval

II. Approval of Minutes

GD motions to approve, Lindsey Freer (LF) seconds motion, unanimous approval of minutes.

III. Approval of At-Large Members

Shawn Rice (SR) introduces Jennifer Sloan (JS2) from Sociology and Edward Seidoff, who is not present. SR motions to ratify the membership of both. Tony Perri (TP) seconds the motion, unanimous approval.

IV. New Business

F. Middle States

GD motions to approve to send to president and Middle States committee. TP seconds, unanimous approval.

B. Prison Studies Group

Tony and Logan from the PSG present on the group's organization and projected involvement in the GC community. Suzanne Tamang (ST) motions to charter the organization. Kyle Ferguson (KF) seconds, unanimous approval of group.

D. Bylaw 15

ST motions to approve, Boris Daussà-Pastor (BDP) seconds, Bylaw 15 approved, 1 abstention (JS2)

E. Bylaw 21

ST motions to approve, Jordan Stokes (JS3) seconds motion, Bylaw 21 approved, 2 abstentions (GD and JS)

C. Repeals

4, 9, 10, 16 & 18

JS3 moves to table, JS seconds, all opposed, 2 abstentions.

GD motions to approve pending ratification by DSO, JS seconds, unanimous approval.

V. Student Affairs Report

Chartered Organizations that still need votes are discussed as is the Bikes and Building Initiative. Announcement to email ST or general DSC if interested in becoming more involved in the Bikes initiative.

NYSHIP-Increase in fees 70cents/2 weeks for individuals and 45cents/2 weeks for families. Scott Voorhees, appointed interim NYSHIP coordinator. Student Health insurance survey on eballot.

VI. Communication Report

SR gives ballot information, Discussion about School of Professional Studies, tax preparation, writing center and T&R.

VII. Business Report

Chris Sula absent, SR reports. Turn in requests for programs by end of following week. Review of financial statement distributed.

VIII. U.S.S. Report

Allyson Foster announces newly elected member.

IX. Committee Reports

Health Issues Committee

Kimberley Libman (KL) announces H1N1 vaccines free in NYC upcoming weekend.

Elections Review Committee

SR introduces JS2 as UFS Liaison.

Grants Committee

BDP suggests Possible bylaw to combine grants (Professional Development and Cultural Affairs).

AF motions to adjourn, ST seconds motion, unanimous approval.

Meeting adjourns at 7:56pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Anick Boyd

