

**I. President: Jason Charrette**

- a. Fee increase proposal
  - i. GSS fee proposal, need to defend fee and needs to happen next week, Safet and Jason are going to work on it
  - ii. Anish: do you need my budget
  - iii. Safet: no it is more about projections
  - iv. Jason: Safet and I will meet to do this, there is going to be a Town Hall meeting that we need to attend, it is going to be the first week of February
  - v. Danielle: do we all need to go?
  - vi. Jason: Nope it is not necessary
- b. **Insurance**
  - i. Rose found out and she was really mad. I have emailed Ed Cochran and we are going to be having a meeting with Mun Choi and David Clokey. There is going to be another Town Hall meeting. We have an SEC meeting this Friday and I am going to raise this issue
  - ii. Anish: This is really going to affect people, will this be in their offer letters, is this not going to ruin their competitiveness?
  - iii. Jason: Well the stipend levels are not competitive for my department
  - iv. Steve: People who have kids are going to be the ones who are look
  - v. Safet: Foreigners with families
  - vi. Jason: This is going to be super concentrated
  - vii. Safet: Yes foreigners with families
  - viii. Jason: How do you think people are going to react?
  - ix. Ian: A lot of people are fired up, I am not going to release but just have the gist of it to the taskforce
- c. **Graduate Assistant**
  - i. We will be delayed in getting a new Bing
  - ii. Safet: I will be the interim new Bing for now
  - iii. Jason: I don't think we need the old Bing to train the new Bing so we should be okay
  - iv. Safet: The ETA for a new Bing will be the last week of February
- d. **Agenda**
  - i. Grad assistant, presidents update

**II. Vice President: Steven Mollmann**

- a. **Hiring Committee for Assistant for Graduate Services**
  - i. Had two phone interviews this morning and will have three more tomorrow
- b. **University Senate**
  - i. I am supposed to serve on University Senate, they meet the first Monday of every month at 4pm, I have class this semester can someone fill in?
  - ii. Danielle: I can, Jason, do you have to email someone to make sure I can be there?
  - iii. Jason: I will do that
- c. **Agenda**
  - i. Assistant for Graduate Career Services

**III. Treasurer: Safet Beriša**

- a. **Graduate Loans**



**GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE**  
*University of Connecticut*

**Executive Board Minutes**

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- i. Elections coming this semester for student trustee, senator at large, I will talk about those at the next GSS meeting
  - ii. Jason: Is this the election that is with the BOT Trustee?
  - iii. Ian: Yes, Declarations of intent February 7, candidate applications February 21, same date for trustee nominee, if we want to have a nominee from GSS, need to get that motion done
  - iv. Steve: have any students from Storrs declared?
  - v. Ian: Now that I know
  - vi. Steve: How many signatures do they need?
  - vii. Ian: not sure, need to get that, will have the numbers for you
  - viii. Steve: need to get the information out, will go to listserv and daily digest
  - ix. Ian: maximum they can get 200 dollars
  - x. Steve: be shady giving one candidate money
  - xi. Jason: consequence?
  - xii. Steve: could be a little dicey, we could get disqualified
  - xiii. Ian: that's why there is a cap for money, that's why it is written for the money
  - xiv. Steve: not sure if that it is our role as a grad student government
  - xv. Safet: but it's for graduate student interests
  - xvi. Steve: it could go wrong, it may backfire, that's what happened last time, shouldn't do something that may lead to that or if were not sure
  - xvii. Jason: need to be made clear
  - xviii. Ian: want me to contact Christine Wilson?
  - xix. Safet: problem in the last election was the second vote
  - xx. Ian: another question we should answer: even if we not decide to give them money, can we use GSS resources to support the candidate
  - xxi. Anish: I think the only rule is not use a mass list serv
  - xxii. Danielle: can use the union list serv
  - xxiii. Steve: can also go department, can ask, there are a lot of rules that we need to make sure
  - xxiv. Jason: make sure you get a lot of rules
  - xxv. Anish: are we still getting two, not sure?
  - xxvi. Safet: that was the undergrads
- b. Procedures Committee**
- i. Met to discuss for revisions to constitution and bylaws, present the revisions at the February meeting and vote in the March meeting, basically after next meeting but before elections and budget
- c. Agenda:**
- i. senator at large elections, graduate trustee elections, constitution and bylaws