

# Senate Meeting Minutes

## Mar 8th

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R: In the beginning, we will have Darren Chase to talk about Scholarly Communication.

Darren: Hi, I'm Darren Chase, I'm here with college and want to give you info about Scholarly Communication. Many of you are instructors, some of you may publish papers, the center of Scholarly Communication provide expertise, information and resources to researchers:

Meet grants funders' public access mandates (NSF, etc.)

Tools and support for leveraging author's copyright

Author's addendum for retaining copyright

Discover and understand publishers' copyright policies

Discover quality, impactful, peer-review open access journals

SBU open access scholarly repository (including THESES & DISSERTATIONS)

What's the problem of today's publishing? University and Grants support you to do your research and report the results in articles, and then you publish it and give away articles and copyright to publishers for free. In this case, the publishers can do anything to your articles like using it and selling it. Meanwhile, libraries can't afford many journals so that many students, researchers, and others still can't get the articles they need.

Now, we have the open Access solutions:

Reuse your own work, share with others

Comply with Public Access mandates

Open access articles are more heavily cited

OA Publishing Options:

Journals

OA Example: PLoS Biology

See the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ) <http://doaj.org>

OA option with traditional journals

Open Access Repositories

Example: ArXiv, SBU Academic Commons

Data archiving, sharing and discovery

SBU compliance – ongoing policy changes for federally funded research projects (funder requirements)

SBU Data Repository

Data deposit to multiple repositories for increased visibility (Datacite/Re3Data, Open Access Directory Data Repositories)

How can we help you succeed?

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R: Now, we will have Steven Jaret to talk about EC election.

Steven: I am going to give you the info about the EC election. The timeline of EC election is following: The deadline for nomination is April 1st, there will be a meeting-with-candidates during April 5th-8th. And we will have the Senate meeting on April 12th, where candidates will give the speech. And we will hold the election from April 25th to 29th.

#### Candidate Requirements

- A candidate for GSO executive committee office must be an enrolled graduate student at Stony Brook University who will have been a member of the GSO at least two semesters (including the spring they are running for office) prior to taking office.
- Candidates must have a minimum 3.0 GPA.
- Candidates must be from a department with an active senator.
- Candidates must have attended at least 2 GSO Senate meetings during the academic year of the election.

#### Rules in Campaigning

- Candidates may not use more than \$100 dollars on non-printing campaigning. All receipts must be given to the elections committee prior to distributing items. Any candidate found distributing items without providing copies of expenditures will be disqualified from the elections.
- Space for advertisements on the GSO office door or GSO bulletin board will be given to all candidates equally.
- Knocking on doors within residence halls to advertise for candidates may not occur between 9 pm and 10 am.
- UCafe may not be used for campaigning.
- Candidates must act in accordance with the Stony Brook student code of conduct. Candidates may not engage in any activity intended to bribe, bully, threaten, or intimidate other candidates. Candidates may not engage in derogatory or intentionally demoralizing activities targeted at other candidates. Violation of this rule will be subject to an investigation by the appeals committee with maximum penalty being removal from office and/or the GSO, according to the results of the Appeals Committee's findings. Action on the Appeals Committee's findings will be voted upon by the senate according to the bylaws for the Appeals Committee.

Let's vote on the April senate meeting will be the one and only one meeting-candidates-event. Ok, there will be only one meeting-candidates-event.

R: Thanks, Steven. Next, the current EC will introduce their duties.

Vahideh introduces the responsibilities of President and Treasurer.

Ran introduces the responsibilities of Vice- President.  
Linrui introduces the responsibilities of Secretary.

Treasurer's report approved

R: Now, we have the president report.

V: Thanks to the election committee for the information about the EC election. If you have any question, please email me.

As you know we will have the NAGPS conference on April 15-17. On April 16<sup>th</sup>. You have already received emails from us about abstract submission. Please check out the conference website and submit an abstract. If you want to attend the conference, please email Ran at [vicepresident@sbgso.org](mailto:vicepresident@sbgso.org) by April 4th, so that we can plan for the event and prepare the food based on the number of people who will attend the conference. If you have any questions about the conference, please email me.

This year, you have heard me talking about Grant Writing workshop several time. I'm working with Katy, the director of postdoc office, and Nancy Goroff, associate provost for IREP. We have explored different ways we can offer grant writing workshops. We can't have a workshop that is useful for all graduate students since the way grant writing is done in each discipline is different. We have decided to offer something that can benefit all students. So, we are going to have a general workshop in April, in which Nancy will talk about the basics of grant writing. This will be helpful to all students since everyone has to follow all the basics of grant writing proposal. Afterwards, we are going to have monthly brown bags. We will invite faculty from different departments each month. This way, we can cover almost all disciplines. If you have any suggestions how to make grant writing workshop more effective, please contact me.

We will have our speaker event on Friday, April 29th at 7pm. We are currently finalizing all the details. For this event, we will need volunteers to help us. If you want to help, please email Ran at [vicepresident@sbgso.org](mailto:vicepresident@sbgso.org).

Senator: Who made the decision of speaker? Was social concern committee involved?

V: The final decision was done by the EC. We didn't have a formal solicitation but we did so informally through talking with different students. We had a long list of speakers that we contacted. However, some were too expensive for us and some were not available on April 29th. Right now, I can't tell you who the speaker because it would be considered as violation of the contract. We will announce the speaker soon.

Senator: How can you raise the money to cover such an expensive event?

V: We will raise money from different offices. Right now we are in the process of meeting with different schools asking for sponsorship. We will also have ticket revenue. I believe we will be able to raise enough money to cover all the expenses. However, if we are short a few thousand dollars, we have two options: one is to ask USG to contribute more money. Another option is to look at all the lines we have and see which line has money. We will need senate's approval to move money from a line.

Senator: How much we need for the speaker?

V: \$100000.

Senator: Do you know the price of tickets?

V: \$5 for stand and \$20 for floor.

Senator: Will we vote if you move the money from one budget line to another?

V: Yes. In April senate meeting, Joe will give a report on how much money we have in each line. If we need to move money from one line to another, we will tell you and then the senate will vote.

Senator: I'm a little concerned about moving money for speaker event, which will be two weeks after the senate meeting. If we vote down to move to money to speaker event, what will happen?

V: We have an emergency line that absorbs any money we don't use. We will need to find out how we can have access to that line and what procedures we need to follow.

V: Tomorrow we will have Broad Based Fee Increase meeting in Innovation Lab in Harriman Hall, room 210 from 12:45-2:30pm. It's an open meeting, you should go and voice your opinion.

V: We will have a tax workshop for Indian students on March 25th from 9-11am in SAC 306, and Tax clinic on March 11th from 9-11am and March 21st from 5-7pm. All the information are on website. We will have Kickball tournament on Friday April 8<sup>th</sup>. You will get an email about it. Legal clinic will be on March 9th (2-4pm) and March 28th (2-4pm).

R: As the chair of DTA, I'm calling for members of DTA. The deadline of application is April 15<sup>th</sup>. I will send you email about all the details. For legal clinic tomorrow, I just got two people registered. Please check and forward the email to your department if you haven't told them the information.

Adjourn