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August GSC General Body Meeting Notes

August 3, 2021

Topic 1. External Affairs Committee Suggestion

In response to, and as a continuation of issues stemming from the EAGLE Act conversation, a committee focused on domestic, foreign policy, and government relations is mooted. This would serve to help develop a relationship with OVIS, and possibly local issues as well.

Topic 2. New Voting Procedures

A suggestion is made to adjust the way elections are done in the GSC, moving away from first past the post and to approval voting, where the electorate selects any number of candidates they believe are qualified for the position. Language set to be worked on for September meeting.

Topic 3. Ombudsperson Initiative

Proposal continues to make headway, though still trying to figure out how the position would fit in, in accordance with state law.

Topic 4. Housing Update

Over 300 responses to the survey commissioned by the GSC, in which an estimated 20% have not found housing yet. Majority of concerns over housing involve rent along with transportation/proximity to campus. GSC has inquired on options including enrollment deferment, remote access for classes, and financial assistance. A Town Hall is set for August 10 to help get housing for students looking to find places to stay.

Topic 5. Reserving Athletic Space

The Soccer and Frisbee clubs have been unable to find places to place, frequently being kicked off grounds. Guarini has started reaching out to help solve this situation.

Topic 6. New Logo Submission

The new logo submission contest has been reformed to include a submission form and an extended deadline.

Topic 7. Activities Fair

Activities Fair now planned to be held on September 10th in Anonymous Hall. The funding request of \$500 for the fair is approved by the Council.