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G.R. #94  
A Resolution to Establish GSG Internal and External Committees

Whereas, The Graduate Student Government (GSG) has proposed to restructure the body by combining the executive and legislative branches to improve efficiency in the operation of the body, representation of graduate students within Clemson University, and responsiveness to current and future needs and issues involving graduate students;

Whereas, Overlap exists between responsibilities held between the executive and legislative branches, and should be combined to better facilitate communication and impact;

Whereas, Recently established committees are to be evaluated at the end of the current senate year to determine necessary committees for the coming senate year;

Whereas, It is desirable and necessary to establish standing committees in advance of the coming senate year so that senators can begin to fulfill their responsibilities within GSG as quickly and as smoothly as possible;

Whereas, Committees should be clearly structured, allowing for graduate students to easily determine where to go regarding future issues that will arise;

Therefore, be it resolved by the Clemson University Graduate Student Senate assembled,

That, The following Internal Committees be established to perform all internal operations required for GSG to function properly:

- **Rules & Procedures Committee**: Led by the Rules & Procedures Chair, this committee will be responsible for reviewing and refining legislation, procedures, and rules of order for GSG, and for training senators on proper protocols in official GSG meetings. This committee will remain mostly unchanged from its current structure.

- **Finance Committee**: Led by the GSG Finance Chair and the Organizational Finance Chair, this committee will combine the roles of Secretary of the Treasury and the current Finance Committee, overseeing all GSG funding and spending, recognizing graduate student organizations, reviewing graduate student organization funding requests and appropriations legislation prior to their consideration by the Senate, and improving the financial processes of GSG.
• **Graduate Travel Grant (GTG) Committee**: Led by the GTG Awards Chair and GTG Applicant-Reviewer Chair, this committee will be responsible for the solicitation and review of travel grants, for the distribution and awarding of funds across periods to qualifying applicants, and for planning workshops, offering support, and educating reviewers and applicants about the GTG process. The GTG Webmaster will work to maintain and improve the GTG website and submission system. This committee will remain unchanged from its current structure.

• **Research Committee**: Led by the Chair of Research, this committee will assume the responsibility of “Executive Research”, promoting research among graduate students, and organizing research events for graduate students, such as Three Minute Thesis (3MT) and the Graduate Research And Discovery Symposium (GRADS).

• **Activities & Outreach Committee**: Led by the Activities Chair, this committee will combine the roles of “Executive Outreach” and the current Activities Committee and will be responsible for planning social and cultural events of interest to graduate students, and for coordinating community outreach events and initiatives among the graduate student body.

• **Communications Committee**: Led by the Communications Director, and aided by the GSG Webmaster, this committee will assume the responsibility of “Executive Communications” and the “GSG Webmaster” and will be responsible for handling all internal communication of GSG, including the GSG website, official GSG emails, and social media accounts, and will aid the President and Vice-President with official GSG external communications.

That, The following External Committees, and associated subcommittees, be established to facilitate the representation of the graduate student body within Clemson University:

• **Graduate Academic Affairs Committee**: This committee will be responsible for representing graduate students on issues of academic integrity and grievance and for contributing input to policies on graduate student academics, including curriculum for graduate programs, certificates, and courses within Clemson University, and will liaison with University-wide boards, committees, and organizations pertaining to graduate academic affairs.

• **Diversity & Inclusion Committee**: This committee will be responsible for promoting diversity, inclusion, equity, awareness, and unity among the graduate student body and for reporting issues against these ideals to the University, and will liaison with University-wide boards, committees, and organizations pertaining to diversity and inclusion of graduate students.

• **Health Services Committee**: This committee will be responsible for promoting all matters regarding health, wellness, and nutrition of the graduate student body and for contributing input to policies regarding graduate student health services, and will liaison with University-wide boards, committees, and organizations pertaining to graduate student health services.

• **Transportation & Facilities Committee**: This committee will be responsible for promoting all matters regarding parking, mass transportation, and safety of the graduate student body and for
contributing input to policies regarding parking, transportation, facilities, and university sustainability efforts, and will liaison with University-wide boards, committees, and organizations pertaining to University transportation and facilities.

- **University Services Committee**: This committee will be responsible for promoting all matters regarding campus technology, libraries, and other University services among graduate students and for advocating for improved technological services to benefit the graduate student body, and will liaison with University-wide boards, committees, and organizations pertaining to technology, libraries, and other University services.

- **Graduate Campus Life Committee**: This committee will be responsible for handling all other aspects of graduate student life on campus not overseen by other External Committees, including issues on University tuition and fees, University athletics and ticketing, and non-academic discipline and integrity, and will liaison with University-wide boards, committees, and organizations pertaining to campus life for graduate students. This committee will contain the following subcommittees to handle specific aspects of graduate campus life:
  - **Discipline & Integrity Subcommittee**: This subcommittee will represent graduate students in matters of non-academic conduct and behavior.
  - **Athletics & Ticketing Subcommittee**: This subcommittee will represent graduate students in matters of intercollegiate and intramural athletics and recreation.

That, Appendices be added, or revised as necessary, to the GSG Rules of Order for each Internal and External Committee, outlining committee membership, roles and positions within the committee, frequency of meetings and other policies pertaining to each specific Committee.

That, At the beginning of each senate year, each committee review and, if necessary, revise the GSG Rules of Order pertaining to the operation of the committee, including committee membership, roles and positions within the committee, frequency of meetings, and other policies pertaining to the Committee.

That, At the end of each semester, the chair of each committee provides a brief written report to the President and/or Vice President regarding the activities of the committee, including the results of committee meetings, promoted events, proposed legislation, and anything else of relevance.

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