

Graduate and Professional Student Government (GPSG)

Senate Agenda

September 21, 2021 — 5:30 to 7 p.m.

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A. Call to Order – Speaker Shelley (5:30 pm)

- a. Attendance
- b. Roll Call – VPI Wilkho

B. [Previous Minutes](#) – VPI Wilkho

C. Reports of Officers, Advisors, and Administrators (10 mins)

- a. Administrative Reports
 - i. Administrative Comments—Dr. Morgan Schweller, Graduate and Professional School
 1. **Fall 2021 Graduate Mentoring Academy Workshop Series** – registration now open ([flyer](#))
 - a. For more information and to register for the Graduate Mentoring Academy Workshop Series, click [here](#).
 2. **Three Minute Thesis Competition**
 - a. Invitation to collaborate on development session ([flyer](#))
 - b. Save the Dates!
 - i. *Preliminary Competition* – Wednesday, October 27th & Thursday, October 28th
 - ii. *Final Competition* – Thursday, November 18th, 2021
 - ii. Advisor—Mr. Robert McCaffery, Division of Student Affairs
 1. Introduction!
 2. SRW Committee Application
 - a. <https://srw.tamu.edu/committee-application/>
- b. Executive Reports
 - i. Staci Rende, Student Body President
 1. Introduction!
 2. Wall Mural
 - a. <https://forms.gle/Fw2ZGnJvMKCjqhnV9>
 - b. Deadline: October 5th (Next Senate meeting)

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3. Office Hours 10:30am - 12:30pm Thursdays
 - a. SSB 238
 - ii. Anjali Tapadiya, Director of Marketing
 1. Introduction!
 - iii. Executive Committees
 1. No Report
 - c. Legislative Reports
 - i. Nathan Shelley, Speaker & Executive Vice President
 1. Introduction!
 - ii. Nick Farmer, Vice President of Finance
 1. Introduction!
 - iii. Rohan Singh Wilkho, Vice President of Information
 1. Introduction!
 2. Please check: <https://gpsg.tamu.edu/find-your-senator/>. Let me know if you can't find your name/department.
 - iv. Blessing Aiyegoro, Vice President of University Affairs (gpsg.vpua@tamu.edu)
 1. [External Committee Sign Up Sheet \(2021 - 2022\).xlsx](#)
 2. [Internal Committee Sign up Form \(2021-2022\)](#)
 3. Introduction!

D. Reports of Committee Chairs (10 mins)

- a. Advocacy Committee
 - i. Rhema Agyeman, Student Affairs Chair
 1. Introduction!
 - ii. Megan Svajda-Hardy, Legislative Affairs Chair
 1. Introduction!
 2. American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) 2021 Virtual [Catalyzing Advocacy in Science and Engineering Workshop \(CASE\) Workshop](#)
 - a. Sept. 23: 1 - 4:30pm (ET)
 - b. Sept. 24: 1 - 5:30pm (ET)
- b. Community Committee

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- i. Sanjeevani Choudhery, Programming and Service; Recruitment Chair
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 - a. schoudhery@tamu.edu OR
 - 2. Blood Drive Sept 23 and 24 9am-3pm. Sign up through the email you received yesterday. If registration is full, walk-ins are welcome.
 - 3. Hang out at Blackwater Draw on Thursday Sept 30, 6pm
- ii. Paloma Cuello, Diversity and Inclusion; International Affairs Chair
 - 1. Introduction!
- c. Scholarship Committee
 - i. Jill Skrobarczyk, Research and Grants Chair
 - 1. Introduction!
 - 2. List of great STEM fellowships for graduate students @ <https://pathwaystoscience.org/grad.aspx>
 - ii. Dalvin Dunn, Awards and Professional Development Chair
 - 1. Introduction!

E. Committee Meetings (30 mins)

- a. Community Committee:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1vkY3j_TsB4hRnoLzwQvhtm6L0fuj02cd370fZS1nWSI/edit
- b.

F. Old / Pending Business (25 mins) 5/15/5

- a. [GPSG.R.55.01](#): Addressing Graduate and Professional Students' Concerns Among Texas A&M's COVID-19 Pandemic Efforts

G. New Business (15 minutes) 5/5/5

- a. [GPSG.R.55.02](#): Request for Representation on the COVID-19 Contingency Council

H. Announcements

- a.

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I. Adjournment

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