1. Call to Order @ 11:05 // 11:14AM

2. Approval of Minutes: Yes

3. Officer Reports
   - President Report – Marc Canellas
     - Grad Survey is going out next Monday.
     - Still working on flyers
     - When they arrive, come to SGA office to pick some up to distribute
     - Go to classes, schedule meetings, go talk to people, etc.
     - Thom: talking about the grassroots
       - Each senator / department will hold an event, pizza party or something where a room will be reserved with space for folks to come and log in, take the survey
       - Thom is sending out a spreadsheet, needs 1 person from each school to take the lead, contacting department head, etc. - setting up a good time for folks.
       - Get the word out!
       - Calling it “Eat and Complete” events for the survey
     - Post-hoc, going to show you how to analyze results and take them to grad coordinator
     - Some schools don’t have rooms w/ computers, how to deal with that?
       - Thom: your responsibility to figure that out
       - Marc: can be done on personal computers; also, the survey can be saved in progress and finished later
       - They can save their results! Don’t give up!
     - Gift cards giving out are incentivized by proportional giveaways… based on school response rate. Complete sooner for better chances to win. First week drawing: 3 chances to win; Extra drawing for the department with the highest response rate
       - This will have immediate
   - Introductions
     - N. Tran - finances person, SOFO
     - Georgia Braxton - SGA Secretary

   - Joint Finance Committee Report – Decker Onken
   - Joint Campus Organization Report – Justin Eisenberg
     - Need JCOC Members, ASAP
     - Is anyone available at 5:30PM on Thursdays? One person… out of the entire senate.
     - One more volunteer now, will save everyone an hour later (for budget hearings).

   - Coordinating Officer Report – Quintin Kreth
- Unusual situation; Undergrads not meeting tonight, so they have passed many bills before us (reverse of usual order)
- We will be deciding now whether or not to send things to conference (they basically passed everything)
- CO will have input during bill discussion

VP notes
- State your name/school when speaking
- Ask questions only to organization reps, do not speak your opinion at this time; want to maintain neutrality during questioning

- Treasurer Report – Joy Kimmel

4. Roll Call: ___28__; Q = 25; mQ = 13

5. Unfinished Business:
- 16J127C - Joint Allocation to Unmanned Flying Club - Author: Sasha Azad
  - Conference Report
    - David: brief discussion, amended per GSS with issue around planned event
  - Vote: 24-0-3

Move up 16G015, 16J158 to bottom of unfinished business; passed (T. Gable)

T. Gable take authorship of J. Kimmel bills.

- 16J125 - Joint Allocation to DramaTech Theatre - Author: Sasha Azad (Postponed One Week)
  - Org Rep: Samuel Hunter; Melissa Foulger; Brice Williams
  - Questions
    - Garbo AE: since email w/ spreadsheet -- it has been available since last week…
    - Azad (speaking to spreadsheet): whether group could use personal devices… their personal devices would be distracting…
      - M.F.: we cannot guarantee personal devices will function, need to be kept up on daily basis
    - Azad: headsets being really expensive… pretty good justification for that, these are probably cheapest ones for particular use/system
    - Azad: regarding the licenses… routers
      - Brice: for wifi uses, we require authentication, running a Mac mini server; efficient to setup
    - Azad: why the funding cannot be pooled between DramaTech and Ferst Center
      - M.F.: complicated relationship, we share building but not necessarily resources, we have worked with them on other options like programmatic costs / bricks and mortar (roof leaks), but in terms of operational supplies, we tend to keep those separate and borrow back and forth, gotten better
about it recently (Dir. office of arts), they can be pooled but not shared, we have many things going on at the same time

- Azad: I had asked if you had looked into alternative borrowing services, iPad mini, smartphones, etc. Would not have personal notification issues
  - M.F.: same answer, we need to have them in house in order to ensure things are working in capacity
  - Azad: these labs would make sure these devices are working/functioning
  - B.W.: cannot connect external devices to serer… OIT doesn’t run our equipment, have to highly control which devices connect
  - Azad: these are GT devices…
  - B.W.: but GT devices going back and forth… OIT would get on to us… because it bypasses GT firewall and such, the advantage of having our own devices is that we control access, etc.
  - M.F.: we have production happening pretty much the entire semester, which is a possibility, but it would require a lot of legwork, considering we have a …
  - Prasad: Not necessarily convinced by distraction of personal devices… why do you want us to spend $x because of this
    - BW: it’s that but also that we cannot connect their devices to our wifi due to OIT/security concerns
    - S.H.: It is against OIT policy to connect unapproved devices to our wifi, including our personal cellphones
  - How many outside organizations did you host in 2015, how many nights?
    - MF: currently we are about seven, for single night and multiple night run events; some are important for revenue, mixture of some revenue and some goodwill towards GT departments
    - Without this equipment, you may need to turn folks away?
      - MF: yes, if doing a full production
  - Thaker (isye): Gone to office of arts for funding?
    - MF: regular meeting with… in the same building… I haven’t had that exact conversation, when it’s about equipment, they say they need funding in order to get their communication system that they have not been able to identify, they probably don’t have money for us, most if what coming to them operationally… doesn’t trickle down to our organization, mostly their operation and promoting arts on campus
  - Decker: Ferst Center and office of arts probably more strapped for money than DramaTech, since DramaTech can come to us for money… they are not in a place where they could fund DramaTech for equipment… this isn’t really an option
    - BW/SH: The 25 iPod touches will be authenticated through radius… will be working with OIT to make sure they are approved devices
    - Gable: Move to discussion; passed

Discussion
- Canellas: exec sense from last night
  - In terms of their option, it is probably cheapest and best option for them
- Our questions mostly concerned with lines 4, 8, 9, 14, 18
- As in there is a difference between necessity and convenience
- Coordinating officer: UGs did pass the JFC version, anything else will go to conference committee
- **Motion** to amend per Grad exec suggestions; seconded
  - Marc: repeat, lines 4, 8, 9, 14 (not 18) will be stricken
- **Motion** passed
- Prasad: question for JFC… will they be coming back for… Decker: we do not expect them to get an equipment discount for a quantity of 25
  - Vote: 20-5-3

  **16J126** - Joint Allocation to Hapkido - **Author:** Richard Gabriel Birge *(Postponed One Week)*
  - Motion to postpone indefinitely; passed

  **16J128** - Joint Allocation to Yellow Jacket Airsoft Club - **Author:** Thomas Gable *(Postponed One Week)*
  - Org Rep: Kevin Fan; Jacob Griffith
    - Looking to participate in operationally military simulation
    - asking for money to facilitate a van rental, tents, camping equip; need to stay on site; need a car to get there
  - JFC
    - Strike 1, retroactive
    - 2: org request
    - 3: travel calc
    - Split line 4, ORGT
    - 10 members, all UG
    - QK: UGs passed JFC version overwhelmingly
  - Discussion
    - **Motion** to amend per JFC; passed
    - Vote: 24-3-1

  **16J134** - Joint Allocation to Delta Sigma Pi - **Author:** Sasha Azad
  - Org Rep: Induja Kannan
    - Fundraising chair, we are attending conf. 19-21st of Feb
    - professional development, networking
    - Our colony has been transitioning to chapter this year
    - want to learn how official chapters run at larger scale
    - possibly secure donations
  - JFC
    - 1: conf. reg. fee amend
    - 2: travel calculator
    - QK: no CO report
  - Questions
    - Garbo: What do you mean by create network (networking?)
      - Other chapters will be there, in addition to alumni
- good opportunity to talk to other chapters to see how they run
- alumni good resource for donations
- Garbo: are there going to be parties?
  - not really, more about workshops
  - There are no parties during this conference
- Thaker: I see on the website there are 3 breakdowns, if you would have registered by… why did you wait to register?
  - We weren’t confirmed on how many members would attend
- Gable: (comment); **Move** to discussion; passed

**Discussion**
- Gable: **motion** to amend per JFC; passed
- Garbo: completely against this type of bills; if you do a search on YouTube about this type of conference, seems they are going to have a vacation/party rather than something that will increase their knowledge and skills
- Gable: question for Decker: is undergraduate conference fund available for this type of thing? -- Marc: that has not been fully fleshed out yet… Decker: there is a section for undergraduates… Gable: I’m in support of this bill for now, it is a student activity… existence of parties outside of professional activities do occur, that is the nature of it
- Prasad: if you look at the agenda they have...

- **Vote**: 24-5-0

  **16J135** - Joint Allocation to Society of Women Engineers - **Author**: Sasha Azad
  - No org rep: Motion to postpone 1 week; passed
  - Garbo: if they aren’t here, they aren’t taking our job seriously

  **16J136** - Joint Allocation to American Nuclear Society - **Author**: Etizaz Shah
  - Org Rep: Wesley Gillis
    - Opportunity to present research, network with folks in the nuclear industry
    - rare opportunity for students
  - **JFC**
    - Line 2: conference registration fees
    - question to Decker: There is a cap on per-person airfare amount, there is no cap on a total amount an organization can request for airfare; this is up to senate/UHR
  - **Questions**
    - Prasad: have you looked into Graduate/Undergraduate conference funds?
      - Decker: are you presenting research? Anyone? How many?
        - About 10%, about 3 people…
        - Decker: those folks would be eligible for conference funds
    - Event is in March
    - Gable: I’m going to suggest to move to …. delay for when you know who is presenting research
    - WG: but airfare gets expensive as f(time)
    - Gable: but you need to submit GCF / UCF requests rather than this for those folks
- Is there an early bird registration fee/late submission fee?
  - Yeah, deadline is a month before conference… still have time

- Discussion
  - QK: motion to amend per JFC (as UHR); passed
  - **Motion** to delay 1 week, so org gets back to us about CF availability, seconded
    - Gable: rep pointed out they are unsure about folks’ eligibility for this type of funding… I expect to see some money come back on this bill next year… We will look and find out if you used all of this money, or if there is money left over… if there is money left over, why you did not follow through
    - Prasad: Clarification… is it ok for any student doing some research to come and ask for SAF money to attend to present their research, their department or advisor should be funding this, is this situation something we should fund…
    - Gable: since they are an organization, this is an ‘activity’ they are an organization just like any sport, I’m more in support of giving money for an academic activity like this
  - **Motion** withdrawn
  - Thaker: don’t think we should fund airfare for 30 members… we’re going to have groups come to us and ask for this… I’m hesitant for that many people…
  - QK: conference is in Madison WI…
  - Garbo: if you made same consideration… how much the plane tickets we bought for sports clubs… it’s more than 30
  - Azad: if they don’t have 30 students, the money comes back to us anyway, I don’t think we need to worry…
  - **Motion** to call the question; passed
  - Vote: 23-4-0

Canellas: discussion about prev. bill somewhat warranted; these sorts of things have bothered senate since its inception; we have a financial restructuring committee looking into these types of things, please contact me if you want to get involved.

**16J137** - Joint Allocation to Delta Phi Lambda Society, Inc. - **Author:** Thomas Gable
- Org Rep: no rep
- JFC
  - Strike all line items, all retroactive
  - QK; UHR passed JFC version
- Discussion
  - **Motion** to amend per JFC; passed
- Vote: ...
Joint Allocation to Georgia Outreach Advancing the Lives of the Special-needs (GOALS) **Author:** Joy Kimmel

- **Org Rep:** Austin Rose
  - GOALS soccer
  - Bill is for equipment to use for the event
  - Going to increase ratio of Tech students to kids, more students than kids
  - Jerseys: they are for kids, but will be maintained by us

- **JFC**
  - CO 1, 3, 4
  - 1: amended qty per request
  - Strike line 6, don’t fund giveaways
  - Jerseys will be worn by kids, registration fee is for kids, not necc. against policy
  - JFC suggesting additional review of line items
  - QK: UHR passed their own version last week; which struck line 5 in addition to JFC

- **Questions**
  - Gable: registration fee is only for kids?
    - Yes. Jersey only for kids, but will be maintained by org over years
  - D.Skripka: Rational for providing jerseys?
    - Safety, helps us maintain control of kids, group cohesion
  - Other benefits for GT students, the jerseys?
    - it helps us get together
    - also makes our lives easier for what we aim to do
  - Prasad: any argument for why we should fund the registration fee?
    - I understand why it doesn’t directly benefit GT students; it is something we participate in as coaches, it would allow us to go participate with them
  - ..CS: who would be paying this registration fee?
    - Parents, or we would cover it for those that cannot afford it
    - “kids” will be paying, or we will
  - How many GT students will attend? 20-25
    - Press or coverage for this event?
      - Not in the past, but we could
  - Garbo: How many students in org? ~25, probably 30… Can you describe children with special needs? Developmental disabilities

- **Discussion**
  - Gable: **motion** to amend per JFC; passed
  - Azad: **motion** to strike line 5
    - Garbo: against this motion, we teach children to play soccer, the only reason you teach is to play against other team, to compete
    - Gable: while I agree with that, it’s not for fee-paying members, but line 5 is not for GT students, it should be on parents to fund that
  - Division
  - **Motion** fails
  - **Motion** to add back the trophies back from JFC
- Gable: look, we’re already paying for the registration fee… you’re not being physically responsible, there is no reason behind this
- **Motion fails**
- Vote: passed….

**16J139 - Joint Allocation to UNICEF at Georgia Tech - Author: Quintin Kreth**

- Org Rep: Jacqueline Howell
  - for conference from Feb 19-21, to go meet other clubs, listen to lectures meet other clubs, career fair,…
  - Conference fee struck because retroactive, I want to argue that… deadline over winter break… wanted to get travel reimbursement from UNICEF… Dec. 19 deadline for that reason…
  - The payment came out of pocket for all four members; we’ve never received money from SGA, don’t have a budget, don’t have money other than dues
  - 15 active members
- **JFC**
  - Strike all line items, retroactive
- **Questions**
  - Event is Feb. 19-21; Early registration Dec. 19; Regular deadline: ~Jan. 15; Get travel reimbursements if in by Dec. 19; travel reimbursement, not registration
  - How old is your club?
    - Started in spring of 2014
  - Gable: why didn’t you do it before winter break?
    - Didn’t know how many members were going to go… guess we could have still done it… lack of institutional memory
  - Gable: I appreciate you did this to save money, but you should have come to us before winter break
- **Discussion**
  - Gable: I believe that they did this to save money, I see no reason therefore to override JFC policy in order to fund this
  - Thaker isye: we have rules and regulations in our body, we’ll get so many request for retroactive funding otherwise… I think we need to uphold these rules & regulations
  - Gable: that’s a fine argument, if they just forgot that’s not ok, but if there was a reason to save money… that’s ok
  - Marc: [*something about buying people for $20 each*]
  - Decker: you have cut in many bills because they were retroactive in order to save money… make sure you are being consistent with all orgs
  - Azad: I agree with striking the line item… a lot of organizations say they were trying to save money, I’m in favor of striking the line item; **Motion to strike line item 1**
    - Prasad: the alternative hypothetical to this would be they would need to also get travel funding from us at this point… I’d be more than happy to take it on a case by case basis to allow for consideration of retroactive funding
- Division
  - Motion fails
  - QK: call the question; passed
  - Vote: 19-6-2

16J140 - Joint Allocation to DanceTech – Author: T. Gable
- Org Rep: no rep
  - QK: DanceTech bill, UHR with reservation passed this one since this organization has previously had trouble meeting projected attendance for their event, they base having the event in Ferst theater on a projected attendance of 300, while typically do not get more than 150… if we amend per JFC, a minimum of 2 Grad senators would have to support the bill
  - Gable: I think questioning the bill authors here is key, so I would like to delay a week
  - Motion to postpone 1 week; passed

16J149 - Joint Allocation to Equestrian Club – Author: Sasha Azad
- Org Rep: Morgan Quinones
  - Funding for spring competitions; first one this weekend; entry fees
  - JFC: all line items meet policy
  - QK: undergrads have not seen it yet
  - Questions
    - Prasad: how many members? 33, 3 grads... competing members more like 15
    - Prasad: why qty of line item 1 = 30
      - because 2 days of competition
    - Azad: (math)
  - Discussion
    - Hunt Seat and Western… different ‘games’
  - Vote: 21-3-1

16J151 - Joint Allocation to Wrestling Club – Author: David Scripka
- Org Rep: no rep
  - They need it this weekend (Decker is representing)
    - [It’s all Decker’s fault]; bill was moved up
    - UHR seeing it online
  - JFC: all line items meet policy
  - Questions
    - Gable: weird they aren’t here… but we should probably pass it to support the organization
  - Discussion
  - Vote: 23-4-1

Garbo: Motion to move all postponed bills to the bottom of next week’s unfinished business; passed
16G015 - Graduate Survey: Incentives - Author: Marc Canellas
- Survey incentives, Amazon gift cards [a SAF refund?]
- Gable: just FYI, GLR is a different fund from PY or CO, comes from SAF, for the use of GSS discretion
- Prasad: question on survey logistics
  - Marc: yes, we can do that
- Vote:

Motion to Move up G014 to the bottom of current business...; passed

16J158 - Graduate Student’s Guide to Personal Finance: Honorarium - Author: Marc Canellas
- This is for a speaker that office of graduate studies brining in... James Black to talk about it
- Making this a joint bill with UHR, who are in support of this as well
- JB: clearly geared to grad students; PhD student from Duke
  - she talks to grad students about how to succeed in personal finance
  - primarily focused for PhD students
  - anyone interested in graduate school, plans on having an assistantship
  - She’s been in contact with other GT orgs previously, all very interested in bringing her in, but haven’t had financial means to so
  - We’re looking to utilize SAF funds for honorarium
  - Cozzens has verbally committed to funding for food
  - Space is reserved in Clary theater, Feb. 24, event is coming up, so we want to secure this funding ASAP, for travel coordination
  - we are looking to pack out the space
  - Decker: this organization did not meet with JFC
  - Prasad: 24th or 25th?
    - It is WEDNESDAY THE 24TH
  - Prasad: we might need a bigger space?
    - issue is with space and timing... CULC, problem with classes, etc.
    - JB: registration form is going to be set up soon, if there is crazy amount of support, may look into alternative space

16G014 - ....This is a resolution
- a response to recent events regarding due process for students on campus, RE: code of conduct, etc.
- It’s unacceptable that there is not a graduate judiciary representative, I feel like we should have someone responsible for this
- I have spoken with Pavan Thaker
- This bill is just to appoint him as the graduate justice, graduate student representative on our behalf on rules and regulations committee
- There is currently no compensation for this position
- Bill approved by unanimous consent
New Business:

- 16J141 – Joint Allocation to A Capella – **Author:** Stephen Dumas
- 16J142 – Joint Allocation to Georgia Tech Golf Club - **Author:** Thomas Gable
- 16J143 – Joint Allocation to Engineers WithoutBorders - **Author:** Sasha Azad
- 16J144 - Joint Allocation to Taal Tadka - **Author:** Thomas Gable
- 16J145 - Joint Allocation to Ballroom Dance Club – **Author:** David Scripka
- 16J146 - Joint Allocation to Volleyball Club (Women’s) - **Author:** Sasha Azad
- 16J147 - Joint Allocation to Runnin’ Wreck - **Author:** Richard Gabriel Birge
- 16J148 - Joint Allocation to Swim Club - **Author:** Sasha Azad
- 16J150 - Joint Allocation to Wrestling Club - **Author:** David Scripka
- 16J152 - Joint Allocation to American Medical Student Association - **Author:** Sathya Balachander
- 16J153 - Joint Allocation to National Society of Black Engineers - **Author:** Thomas Gable
- 16J154 - Joint Allocation to India Club at Georgia Tech - **Author:** Lalit Darunte
- 16J155 - Joint Allocation to Alpha Phi Omega - **Author:** Joy Kimmel
- 16J156 - Joint Allocation to Delta Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. - **Author:** Joy Kimmel
- 16J157 - Joint Allocation to Paintball Club - **Author:** Lalit Darunte

6. Officer Report Cont’d

   - Committee Report-
     - CRIDC: needs help; talk to folks
     - Gable: sent out email about survey
     - What about conducting survey after exams?
       - Not after the end of the semester, this needs to happen before then…
     - All advisors/professors will be getting an email from Dr. Cozzens soon about this survey

   - Secretary Report – James Hite
     *Show up to senate. Kthnx*

   - Vice President Report – Matthew Miller

7. Open Forum

   - Prasad: question about senators… ECE senators
   - Azad: if you aren’t on committees yet… we actually do need a lot of people for CRIDC, we need more hands on deck
   - Is there somewhere… a 30 second sales pitch to get people informed about the survey
     - On the website, there are sets of points “why grads/faculty should care”
     - sga.gatech.edu/g/gradsurvey

8. Adjournment
9. **Account Totals:** Prior Year Account $286,065.67; Capital Outlay Account: $1,168,635.79; GLR $7,999.20

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