Resolution: G.B. 14 (F) 11

Sponsor(s): Brian Wilkey, President, Graduate Student Assembly

Creation of the Position of Senior Legislator

Summary: A bill creating the office Graduate Student Assembly Senior Legislator for the remainder of 2014-2015 term.

1 WHEREAS The Constitution of the Graduate Student Assembly gives the President of the Graduate Student Assembly the power to create ad hoc officer positions (Art. V, §1.11); and,

2 WHEREAS The Graduate Student Assembly is fortunate to have many voting members return to serve in consecutive years; and,

3 WHEREAS These “incumbent” legislators possess a wealth of knowledge that is beneficial to both the Executive Committee and legislative body; and,

4 WHEREAS The Graduate Student Assembly should recognize and seek out the counsel of these senior representatives; now,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

9 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The position of Senior Legislator be created as an ad-hoc officer position; now,

11 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Senior Legislator shall be appointed by the President based on seniority and previous activity within the Graduate Student Assembly for the term of one (1) legislative session; and,

12 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Senior Legislator may serve as consultant on all legislation introduced to the GSA including any joint resolutions; and,

14 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Senior Legislator shall be delivered any bill submitted to the Administrative Director for inclusion on the agenda; and,
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT
The Senior Legislator shall have the opportunity to speak independently on all legislation; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT
The Senior Legislator shall Endorse, Endorse with Revision, or Discourage the Assembly to pass any bill or resolution; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT
The Senior Legislator shall serve as assistant to the parliamentarian; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT
That a copy of this resolution be sent to the President of the Senate of College Councils Geetika Jerath and the President of Student Government Kori Rady; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT
That a copy of this resolution be sent to the official advisers of the Graduate Student Assembly including Dr. Judith H. Langlois, Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies and Dr. Gage E. Paine, Vice President for Student Affairs including Dr. Soncia Reagins-Lilly, Dean of Students at The University of Texas at Austin.