

## 1 ☐ GSG Retreat

16 January 2008

## 2 ☐ Agenda

- Introductions
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- GSG: History, Purpose, and Organization
- Princeton Versus Peers
- The structure of Princeton University
- What the GSG has done
- Ways to get involved
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  - Student leadership at Princeton
- Discussion
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  - **Campus Relations**
  - **Facilities**
  - **Health and Life**
  - **Student Life**
  - **Governance**

## 3 ☐ GSG Introductions

- GSG Executive Committee 2007-2008
  - Chair* Shin-Yi Lin GS05 (MOL)
  - Parliamentary Chair* Silvia Bulow GS02 (EEB)
  - Corresponding Secretary* Bob MacGregor GS02 (HOS)
  - Press Secretary* Dan Raburn GS05 (PPL)
  - Recording Secretary* Marina Paul GS04 (MOL)
  - Treasurer* Alex Ntelekos GS04 (CEE)
  - Social Chair* Jenny He GS04 (ELE)
- Graduate Student Government Committee Chairs
  - *Academic Affairs* vacant
  - *Health and Life* Karin Sigloch GS06 (GEO)
  - *Campus Relations* Donna Sy GS05 (HOS)
  - *Facilities* Jeff Dwoskin GS06 (ELE)

## 4 ☐ Goals of the retreat

- Improve students' understanding of the GSG
- Institutional memory
- Discuss student issues

## 5 ☐ GSG: History, Purpose, and Organization

- **History**
  - 1989-1999: Graduate student union
    - Not a labor "union"
  - 2000-present: Graduate student government (GSG)
    - Constitution approved by the entire graduate student body (GSB)

## 6 ☐ GSG: History, Purpose, and Organization

- **Purpose**

The purpose of this organization is to represent and advocate the interests of graduate students at Princeton University (hereafter "The University"), excluding industrial action, to provide a forum for free and open discussion of matters affecting this community, and to provide financial and organizational support for social events within this community.

## 7 ☐ GSG: History, Purpose, and Organization

## 8 ☐ Princeton versus Peers

- **Comparison to Peer institutions**
  - Ivy Summit: Upenn, Columbia, Yale, Dartmouth, Brown, Harvard, Princeton, Cornell
  - Ivy Plus: + Berkeley, Uchicago, Umichigan, MIT, Stanford
  - Dwarves and Elves meeting: Grad Deans meet
  - Graduate student organization: number, source of funding, compensation for student leaders
  - Student composition: professional students, international students
  - Advocacy: trustees, access to administrators, access to "Pricom"-like budget committee, access to student-body email
  - Institutional memory: involvement of staff

## 9 ☐ The structure of Princeton University

- Trustees: generally alums
  - Janet Holmgren GS
  - Jose Huizar GS
  - Katherine Marshall GS
- President Tilghman
- VP/Provost
  - Administration: Mark Burstein
    - General Manager for Safety and Administration: Laurel Harvey
  - Campus Life: Janet Dickerson
  - Public Affairs: Bob Durkee
  - Provost: Chris Eisgruber
- Ann Halliday

## 10 ☐ The structure of Princeton University

- Deans
  - Dean of Faculty: David Dobkin
    - Assistantship in Instruction (AI)
  - Dean of the College: Nancy Malkiel
    - Undergraduates, residential colleges, Campus Club
  - Dean of the Graduate School: Bill Russel
  - Dean of Engineering: Vince Poor
  - Dean of WWS: Anne-Marie Slaughter
  - Dean of Architecture: Stanley Allen

## 11 ☐ The structure of Princeton University

- Graduate School Deans
  - Academic Affairs: David Redman, Karen Jackson-Weaver
  - Student Life: Joy Montero
    - Lisa Schreyer, Olivia Martel
  - Budget and Administrative Affairs: Sandy Mawhinney
- Graduate alumni relations: Elisabeth Dorman, Tara McCartney

## 12 ☐ The structure of Princeton University: Divisions

- Divisions of the School:
  - Humanities, Social Sciences, Natural Sciences, Engineering

## 13 ☐ The structure of Princeton University

- **Academic issues**, e.g.
  - Dean Redman: re-enrollment
  - Dean Jackson-Weaver: diversity
  - Dean Mawhinney: stipends, funding
  - Dean Dobkin: AI funding

- Karen Trainer (University Librarian), Dottie Pearson: library issues

#### 14 ☐ The structure of Princeton University

- **Campus Relations/Social Life**, e.g.
  - VP Dickerson: all campus
  - Frist: GSG offices
    - Tom Myers: Director of Frist Campus Center
  - Undergraduate: residential colleges, Campus Club
    - Dianne Spatafore: Director of Campus Club
    - USG people
    - Office of the Dean of Undergraduate Students (ODUS), Dean Dunne
  - Postdocs: Lin Ferrand (in Dean of Faculty)
  - Alumni: career mixers
    - Dan Lopresti: APGA Board President
    - Elisabeth Dorman: Grad School
  - Community: Furniture Drive, Communiversality
    - Karen Woodbridge (Community and Regional Affairs)

#### 15 ☐ The structure of Princeton University

- **Facilities**, e.g.
  - VP Mike McKay, Chad Klaus
  - President's Advisory Council on Architecture
  - Housing
    - Andrew Kane: Director of Housing
    - Lisa DePaul: Director of Student Housing
    - Patti Smith: Housing Operations (Maintenance)
    - Scott Baldwin: Manager of Graduate Housing
  - Shuttle
    - Paul Breitman: Director of University Services
    - Kim Jackson: Director of Parking and Transportation
  - Dining
    - Stu Orefice: Director of Dining Services
  - OIT
    - Betty Leydon: Chief Information Officer
    - Steven Sather
  - Sustainability
    - Shana Weber: Sustainability Office
    - Princeton Sustainability Committee, Greening Princeton

#### 16 ☐ The structure of Princeton University

- **Health and Life**, e.g.
  - VP Dickerson: health services, athletics (gym)
    - Janet Finnie (acting), TBD: Chief Medical Officer, Director of UHS
    - Michele Gregory: Student Health Plan, optional vision and dental plans
    - Advisory Board to Healthier Princeton
  - Laurel Harvey: public safety
    - Steve Healy: Director of Public Safety
      - Duncan Harrison: Associate Director
    - Public Safety Advisory Committee
  - Child Care Working Group
    - Joan Girgus

#### 17 ☐ The structure of Princeton University

- **Organizations**
  - Council of the Princeton University Community (CPUC)
    - Executive Committee, Priorities Committee, Governance, Judicial, Resources, Rights and Rules
    - Administration, faculty, students, alumni, staff
  - Undergraduate Student Government (USG)

- Graduate College House Committee (GCHC), and the other residential committees
- Alumni Association (Alumni Council), Association for the Princeton Graduate Alumni (APGA, APGA Board)

## 18 ☐ The structure of Princeton University

- **Important people for graduate students to know!**
  - In your department
    - Department Chair
    - Director of Graduate Studies (DGS)
    - Graduate Coordinator
    - Departmental Graduate Student Committees (look in Rights Rules Responsibilities for university guidelines)
    - GSG Representative
  - Outside of the department
    - GSG
    - Graduate School
    - Ombuds Office: Camilo Azcarate (confidential)

## 19 ☐ What the GSG has done

- **How to find out what we've done/How do you know what we are working on?**
  - Read the E-bulletins
  - Ask your GSG representative
  - Come to GSG Assembly meetings
  - Read summer letter writing campaign letters (see August minutes)
  - Check out the GSG minutes
  - Join gsg-extra@: GSG volunteers list

## 20 ☐ What the GSG has done

- **What are the most important things we do every year?**
  - Have monthly GSG Assembly meetings: regular forums for discussion
  - Orientation
  - Summer letter writing campaign letters
  - CPUC elections: especially CPUC Executive Committee, PriCom
  - Graduate Student Life Initiative (GSLI)?
  - Handle any acute issues/new announcements (e.g., 2005-DCE announcement, 2007-shuttle issues)

## 21 ☐ What the GSG has done

- **Academic Affairs**
  - 2005/2007-Firestone renovation (starting in 2009)
  - 2002, 2007-Increases in Humanities/Social Sciences stipends
  - 2005-International student SEVIS fee paid by University
  - 2005-Initiate GSG-APGA Career Mixers
  - 2006, 2007-AI funds for Graduate Classes
  - Fall 2007-Improved rules for travel funds (\$500 to \$600 award)
  - Post-enrollment
    - 2002-Creation of DCC status
    - 2002-2005-Expanding DCC privileges (e.g., library access)
    - Fall 2005-DCC > DCE status, DCE town meetings
    - Spring 2006-DCE tuition reduced from \$3,500 to \$2,500 (plus \$1,000 SHP), Reduction of AI burden from full AI to 2 hour AI for full DCE tuition, Reversion to previous policy on extra year of funding from external fellowships.

## 22 ☐ What the GSG has done

- **Campus Relations/Student Life**
  - Fall 2004-Princeton Research Symposium (idea came out of GSG discussions)
  - Spring 2005-Task force on Dining and Social Options in the Four Year Colleges (suggested providing dinners for graduate students)
  - Fall 2005-Jorge Cham (Ph.D. Comics) Hurricane Katrina Charity Event

- At least 2004-2007-Charity Furniture Drive (2004-\$1400, 2005-\$1423, 2006->\$2000)
- Spring 2007-Campus Club Working Group (graduate student representation on Campus Club)
- 2006-Discussions with Dean Malkiel about RGS program (started in 2007-2008)
- Fall 2008 (estimated)-Café Vivian renovations approved (lobbied in 2005)

## 23 ☐ What the GSG has done

- **Facilities**
  - Spring 2003-Graduate student shuttle
  - Summer 2004-Frist was open past 5pm (maybe until 8pm)
  - Fall 2004-Reduction of New Lawrence rents
  - Summer 2005-Dining Services offered summer dining options at Graduate College
  - Fall 2005-Sustainability discussions about Frist and Science buildings (e.g., automatic light sensors)
  - Spring 2003-Housing applications from paper to electronic and from multiple unit-type draws to a single draw
    - MANY improvements to application, draw, housing policies, office operations, customer service: hire new graduate housing manager, got funds for off-campus listing

## 24 ☐ What the GSG has done

- **Facilities**
  - Fall 2006-Housing internal review for customer service issues
  - Fall 2003-OIT Dormnet put into Butler Apartments and all graduate housing
  - Spring 2006-OIT Email quota increased to 200MB
  - 2007-OIT Multiple devices on Dormnet with no additional charge
  - 2007-Upgrade pedestrian walkways and lighting along Faculty Road
  - 2007-Upgrade crosswalks along Washington Road and Faculty Road
  - Fall 2007-Improvements to new shuttle line in response to students (e.g., new stop on Prospect Ave.)

## 25 ☐ What the GSG has done

- **Health and Life**
  - Pre-2003 Joined NAGPS to provide dental coverage (before Eastern Dental option was available)
  - November 2004-Taskforce on Health and Wellbeing
  - 2005-Reduction of SHP Dependent Health Care Cost
  - Spring 2007-Child care subsidy (SCCAP), Child care accommodation policy
  - December 2007-Birth control subsidy in response to changes in federal law
  - Spring 2008-NEW! SCCAP: relaxed spousal work requirement for the first year you are at Princeton

## 26 ☐ What the GSG has done: PriCom

- PriCom is *very* important
- <http://www.princeton.edu/~provost/Pricomm.htm>
  - Comes up with budget
  - Decides how to spend excess, okays new expenditures
    - "Spending rule" off endowment set by Trustees, is adjusted in response to "lean" years
  - Sets tuition, room and board, and apartment rental rates
- 2007-2008 committee for FY09 (2008-2009): Jeff Dwoskin & Ryan Harper (report coming in Feb/March 2008)
- Ongoing: Trying to get PriComm to consider GC rents separately from undergrad dorm rents

## 27 ☐ What the GSG has done: PriCom

2001-2003 -- shuttle funded in addition to normal PriCom items (info from Pricom reports on Provost's website)

### 2001-2002 for FY03: Kevin L. Osterloh & James P. Vere

- Staff member for Language Resource Center
- OIT security officer (viruses, hackers, etc)
- \$250k for library acquisitions
- professional development funds for professional librarians
- Assistant coordinator of recreational fitness
- Frist campus center: operating expenses, summer hours, programming activities
- Facilities: major maintenance, pest control

## 28 ☐ What the GSG has done: PriCom

**2002-2003 committee for FY04: Anthony Fiori & Leonard Pease**

- \$324,000 to Health Services: senior staff psychologist and a physician
- Residence Life Coordinator for apartments (now Community Programs Coordinator) - \$47,500
- Some merit increases for stipends for returning students in hum/soc sci (more in future years)
- Public Safety communications
- OIT security staff & software
- \$200k for library acquisitions + \$15k for travel+training

29  **What the GSG has done: PriCom**

**2003-2004 committee for FY05: Leonard Pease and Leslie Medema (report March 2004)** (some funded by pricom, others lobbied by PriCom reps)

- Lower rate of grad apartment increases
- Some stipend increases for hum/soc sciences for returning students planned for future years
- Hired prox card maintenance staff so Annexes could be wired
- Many of GSG issues handled outside of PriComm: summer meals & dining, maintenance at GC, summer gym hours and McCosh hours, sidewalks on Faculty Road.
- Assistant GS dean for academic affairs, GS staff
- Public Safety dispatchers, manager of merged parking/ID card/prox office
- UHS - psychiatrist, various customer service reps & staff
- Women's center administrative support
- Staff for new initiatives in research computing
- \$250k for library acquisitions
- Replace GC Proctor Hall chairs
- Prox-card access for post-enrolled students
- \$359k for AI teaching budget

30  **What the GSG has done: PriCom**

**2004-2005 committee for FY06: Newsha Dau and Ian Parrish (report Feb 2005)**

- VERY limited funds to grant -- high energy costs, rental housing (New Lawrence), etc
  - Responding to Task force on Health and Wellbeing
- New Lawrence rents lowered for 2005-2006 (15-27%)
- Student Health Plan: Mental health, lower dependent costs
- UHS: Operations admin; summer coverage; summer psych support
- LGBT Center part of director's salary
- Stipend increases for humanities/soc sci
- Library acquisitions (extra \$35k above base inflation)
- Other items not directly relevant to grads (75% of money is grad related!)

31  **What the GSG has done: PriCom**

**2005-2006 committee for FY07: Fatema Gunja and Ian Parrish (report May 2006)**

- VERY limited funds to grant -- high energy costs, etc
- Director of Disability Services (physical and learning disabilities)
- UHS Psychiatry position made full-time
- Flu Vaccine (FluFest) funded by Provost discretionary fund
- AI Hours (38 hours) & support of integrated ugrad/grad courses
- Library acquisitions (extra \$25k above base inflation)
- Grad school post-enrollment (DCE) as cost-neutral & repackage fellowship stipends as 12-months
- Other items not directly relevant to grads

32  **What the GSG has done: PriCom**

**2006-2007 committee for FY08: Chris Bienia & Jeff Dwoskin (report Feb 2007)**

- AI hours: 134 additional AI hours, including some specifically for AI's in grad courses
- New childbirth and childcare benefits: 3 month leave for birthmothers; 1 term paid extension to DCE (funded later); funded staff childcare benefit, matching program for grad students funded by spending rule change
- Stipend increases and housing/dining rates to market levels: Fellowship stipends (12-month) for hum/soc sci from \$22,150 to \$24,000, and large increase to AI/AR; bring housing/dining rates up to market while grad students held harmless with stipends; relieves difference paid for off-campus housing, and reduces disparity between divisions.
- Off-campus housing program: website and staff member to coordinate off-campus options in housing office
- UHS (Health Services) improvements: Staff psychiatrist, healthcare IT staff
- Tuition rates remain flat (including DCE - \$2500)
- General changes: 24/7 OIT operations & support; Improved travel management; LGBT support staff; other items not directly relevant to grads

### 33 ☐ What the GSG has done

- **Governance**
  - Connecting to first year students: Giving out mugs at student sign-in
  - Spring 2006-GSG fee from \$5 to \$10 (budget from ~\$10,000 to ~\$26,000), with VP Dickerson matching funds
  - Hiring search committees: Andrew Kane, Scott Baldwin, Dianne Spatafore, Kim Jackson, Olivia Martel
  - Important recent committees:
    - Dec 2004-Budget task force
    - April 2005-Exec-Election by-laws committee
    - Fall 2006-Events Board to direct funding requests out of Assembly
    - Spring 2006-Updated RRR about the GSG and the GSG's relationship CPUC U-Councilors

### 34 ☐ What the GSG has done

- **Governance:** Ways to improve participation
  - 2003-Chair used to meet with each Assembly member
  - 2004-2007-Streamlining meetings: shorter meetings (from 2-3 hours to 1.5-2 hours), limiting special guests, decision-making process (voice vote)
  - 2005-Department reports to learn more about what departments are doing
  - Fall 2005-GSG Exec Midterm Report
  - Fall 2006-GSG E-bulletin
  - Spring 2007-GSG Exec/Committee Chairs were given housing and parking privileges
  - Fall 2007-gsg-extra@: GSG volunteers list
- CPUC
  - 2004-President Tilghman had Open Town Hall meeting
  - 2004-2006-Yearly "graduate student" discussion in CPUC (pretext: Ivy Summit)

### 35 ☐ Ways to get involved: GSG Exec

- Officers
  - Chair (10-15hr/month)
  - Parliamentary Secretary (3hr)
  - Corresponding Secretary (5hr)
  - Press Secretary (3hr)
  - Recording Secretary (4hr)
  - Treasurer (10hr)
  - Social Chair (variable)
- Privileges: Housing, Parking
- Resources
  - Webpage: <http://www.princeton.edu/~gsg>
  - Frist 204B
  - Email: [gsg@princeton.edu](mailto:gsg@princeton.edu)
  - Confidential email listserv: [gsgexec@princeton.edu](mailto:gsgexec@princeton.edu)

### 36 ☐ Ways to get involved: GSG Exec

- General de facto duties
  - Weekly (-ish) meetings
  - Assembly meetings: send previous minutes, prepare agendas, invite guests, suggest reports, departmental reports, get food, publicize meeting
  - Orientation: write GSG flyer folders, order GSG mugs, Chair's address to the first years, Student Sign-in, GC BBQ, Art Museum
  - Summer letter writing campaign
  - Help out with GSG social events (fall Wine and Cheese, spring Valentine's Day Dance, summer Frolic at Frist)
  - Help out with spring Furniture Drive
  - Meetings with administrators as needed (some confidential)

### 37 ☐ Ways to get involved: GSG Exec

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The Chair is the leader of the GSG. You are usually the first person the administration and the graduate student body will email with questions. You will also be asked to represent graduate

students at university events, on various committees, and to Princeton alumni.

Commitment more than base hours: 10-15 hours/month

- Constitutional: preside over Assembly, coordinate Exec, Chair's report, set agenda, CPUC *ex officio*
- De-facto: APGA Board representative, Alumni Council representative, Frist Advisory Board representative

#### 40 ☐ Ways to get involved: GSG Exec

The Parliamentary Secretary keeps the GSG meetings running smoothly. You are responsible for making sure each department/program sends representatives to Assembly.

Commitment more than base hours: 3 hours/month

- Constitutional: advise on constitutional roles, keep roll book of membership, maintain record of votes, run elections, CPUC *ex officio*, GSG Elections Committee Chair *ex officio*

#### 41 ☐ Ways to get involved: GSG Exec

The Corresponding Secretary manages communication among the GSG, the administration, and the graduate student body. You are responsible for updating the GSG website and responding to emails sent to our [gsg@ email](mailto:gsg@email).

Commitment more than base hours: 5 hours/month

- Constitutional: check GSG emails, manage GSG communications and website

#### 42 ☐ Ways to get involved: GSG Exec

The Press Secretary maintains contact with campus and local media services.

Commitment more than base hours: 3 hours/month

- Constitutional: prepare communications for press and manage GSG public relations
- De facto: reads Daily Princetonian, PAW, Princeton website, Princeton Weekly Bulletin, Princeton Packet and sends weekly updates of articles

#### 43 ☐ Ways to get involved: GSG Exec

The Recording Secretary maintains the records of the GSG, which mainly means taking notes at our monthly Assembly meetings.

Commitment more than base hours: 4 hours/month

- Constitutional: take minutes at Assembly and Exec meetings, maintain other reports, annual review of financial records

#### 44 ☐ Ways to get involved: GSG Exec

The Treasurer maintains the financial records and the budget. You will also chair the GSG Events Board, which provides funds to independent student groups.

Commitment more than base hours: 10 hours/month

- Constitutional: keep financial records, funding requests, prepare budget
- Approved by Assembly: Chair of Events Board

#### 45 ☐ Ways to get involved: GSG Exec

The Social Chair coordinates and organizes GSG social events.

Commitment more than base hours: variable depending on events

- Constitutional: organize GSG social events, food for Assembly meetings
- De facto: Frist Advisory Board representative, Events (fall Wine and Cheese, spring Valentine's Day Dance, summer Frolic at Frist)

#### 46 ☐ Ways to get involved: GSG Assembly

- Representatives from academic department/programs, special interest (Women's Center, Black Graduate Caucus); residential units, select groups (ACSS, CIGS)
- Ask your current GSG representative, departmental coordinator, DGSC/committees/organizations about elections
- The GSG requires the rep be elected every year

- All graduate students are invited to Assembly meetings -- you just can't vote

#### 47 ☐ Ways to get involved: GSG Assembly

- How the GSG works
  - Assembly meets once per month, usually the second Wednesday of each month in Frist Campus Center at 6pm in room 309.
  - Assembly makes decisions on behalf of the graduate student body.
  - These decisions are carried out by various committees and individuals.
  - The Executive Committee facilitates this process.

#### 48 ☐ Ways to get involved: GSG Assembly

- How Assembly works
  - Each academic department/program has one representative seat on Assembly.
  - Anyone can bring up topics and discuss, but only representatives can vote.
  - The Chair will send out a suggested agenda the weekend before the meeting.
  - Rules of Order can be used to help Assembly structure discussion.
  - The presiding officer will try to gauge the appropriate level of rule-use.
  - You can always ask for rules to be explained and/or implemented.
  - For Assembly to make any decision, quorum is required.
  - We "have quorum" if at least half of the active representatives show up. (That's about 15.)
  - Most decisions are made by a voice vote, and pass if there are more "ayes" than "nays."
  - Some decisions may follow special rules; the presiding officer should inform you of these rules before any vote.

#### 49 ☐ Ways to get involved: GSG Assembly

- Duties of Representatives
1. Either attend each Assembly meeting or find a proxy 24 hours in advance.
    - Participate in discussions -- at the monthly meeting and through the Assembly listserv A "proxy" is someone you designate to attend the meeting in your place. Please notify the Executive Committee by sending an email to gsg@ at least 24 hours in advance.
    - If you fail to attend or send a proxy to three consecutive Assembly meetings, your seat will become "inactive." All you have to do to make it "active" again is show up at a meeting.
  2. Pass information between your home department and Assembly. *You should have access to email addresses.* Ideally, write up monthly emails with information about the latest Assembly meeting.
  3. Ensure that your department has a new election when your one-year term ends.
    - The election process is up to your department — at the very least, inform your fellow students that such a position exists and give them a chance to run for the position and express opposition to a candidate.

#### 50 ☐ Ways to get involved: GSG Committees

- Academic Affairs, Campus Relations, Facilities, Health and Life
- Committee Chairs (can be co-chairs)


#### 51 ☐ Ways to get involved: Student leadership at Princeton

- *Ivy Summit 2006: Dartmouth*  
Vera Keller (Queer Graduate Caucus representative)  
Donna Sy (Graduate College House Committee)  
Shin-Yi Lin (GSG Exec)  
Dan Raburn (GSG Exec)
- *Ivy Summit 2007/Brown*: did not attend
- *Ivy Summit 2008/Harvard*
- *Ivy Summit 200/PRINCETON!*
  - Grad school will support \$5000-8000


#### 52 ☐ Ways to get involved: Student leadership at Princeton

- *Council of the Princeton University Community -- General Council (2007-2008)*  
Shin-Yi Lin (**Executive Committee member**)  
Grace Wang (**Executive Committee member**)  
Silvia Bulow  
Jeff Dwoskin  
Elizabeth Bakanic  
Chris Said  
Yaron Ayalon


- *Council of the Princeton University Community -- Subcommittees (2007-2008)*
- Governance -- Mike Sekora*
- Judicial -- Bart Bonikowski*
- Priorities Committee** -- Jeff Dwoskin, Ryan Harper
- Resources -- Ben McKean*
- Rights, Rules, and Responsibilities --*  
Grace Wang, Chris Crutchfield

53  **Ways to get involved:  
Student leadership at Princeton**


- **Academic Affairs**
- *Faculty Meeting Representative (has to be CPUC member)*  
Yaron Ayalan
- *GSG Task force on Firestone Renovations*  
Yaron Ayalan (Chair)

54  **Ways to get involved:  
Student leadership at Princeton**

- **Campus Relations/Student Life**
- *Alumni Council (2007-2008)*  
Shin-Yi Lin
- *Association of Princeton Graduate Alumni Board (2007-2008)*  
Shin-Yi Lin
- *Frist Campus Center Advisory Board (2007-2008)*  
Shin-Yi Lin
- Jenny He
- *Labyrinth Advisory Board (2007-2008)*  
Katya Ossorgin and others
- *Princeton U-Store Board Members - Student Trustees*  
Praveena Joseph-de Saram  
Harvey Stark
- *Committee on Academic Programs for Alumni (CAPA)*  
Scott Gregory
- *Campus Club Advisory Board: 3 representatives TBD (February 2008)*
- *Campus Club Program Board: 6 representatives TBD (Spring 2008)*

55  **Ways to get involved:  
Student leadership at Princeton**

- **Facilities**
- *President's Advisory Committee on Architecture (2007-2008)*  
Anita Adhitya
- *Graduate Housing Policy Committee (2007-2008)*  
Agata Becalska  
Jeff Dwoskin  
Neven Fuckar  
Donna Sy
- *Graduate Student Shuttle Advisory Group (2007-2008)*  
Jeff Dwoskin  
David Beckman  
Hilary Bergsieker  
Kevin Collins  
Medini Padmanabhan  
Donna Sy

56  **Ways to get involved:  
Student leadership at Princeton**

- **Facilities**
- *Dining Committee (2007-2008)*  
Kellam Conover

Melissa Carroll

- *Princeton Sustainability Committee (2007-2008)*

Jeff Domanski

- *Office of Information Technology Policy Panel (Summer 2007)*

Aryeh Amihay

## 57 Ways to get involved: Student leadership at Princeton

- **Health and Life**
- *UHS Director Search*

Dante Ricci

- *Advisory Board for a Healthier Princeton*

Karin Sigloch

## 58 Discussion: Academic Affairs

- Firestone renovation
  - GSG Library Taskforce: Yaron Ayalon
- New Science library
- APGA Career mixers in each division (SEAS, APGA)
- Mentoring survey from Graduate School (Dean Russel)
  - Conducted in spring 2007, a committee prepared a report in fall 2007, we are waiting to hear about the results
- Mentoring program (Dean Jackson-Weaver)
  - Being discussed spring 2008, hopefully will launch sometime in 2008
- Diversity initiatives (Dean Jackson-Weaver, Diversity Taskforce)
- Time to degree (Katya Ossorgin)
- Graduate student office needs
  - Currently being looked into by Provost office (Paul LaMarche)
- Teaching load for AIs
- Improve travel funds
- University fellowship/2nd year DCE policy
- Woodrow Wilson Responsive Ph.D.: we are members

## 59 Discussion: Campus Relations/Student Life

- Grad-undergrad relations
  - Residential colleges: Residential Graduate Students (RGS)
  - Residential colleges: lobby for two free meals for all graduate students
  - Campus Club: New campus space coming online fall 2008 for graduate and undergraduate students
    - Volunteers for Advisory Board, Program Board
    - Publicize space to graduate student organizations
  - Grad-undergrad seniors events?
- Graduate student campus center  
GSG/VP Dickerson/GSO co-authored a proposal that was submitted fall 2007
- Postdoc-grad events?
- Graduate appreciation day?
- Campus Pub?
- Annual Giving
- APGA: Department Liaisons
- Press: Daily Princetonian articles, PAW articles, articles on main webpage

## 60 Discussion: Facilities

- 10-15 year campus plan (NEW: will be announced)
- Sustainability plan (NEW: will be announced)
- Housing
  - Long-term housing plans
  - Retention-based draw
  - Off-campus housing
- Shuttle
  - Long-term plan: new routes, Forrestal campus, weekend, shopping centers
  - Operational issues, Customer service
  - P-Rides express
- Services during academic breaks, summer (e.g., dining, UHS hours, Frist hours, Café hours, gym)
- Update on student billing (previous work in 2005)
- Building access, prox
- Graduate student-specific sustainability promotion?

## 61 ☐ Discussion: Health and Life

- Child care (SCCAP), child care center
- Medical care during breaks/summer
- Dental coverage: increasing SHP dental subsidy from \$125/year
  - Publicity: SHP benefits, Eastern dental, Aetna Vital Savings Plan
- Public safety: sidewalks, lighting

## 62 ☐ Discussion: Governance

- Membership
  - Balance of responsibilities within Exec and between Exec and Committees/Assembly
    - 2006-2007 Exec: Only 4/7 positions were filled
    - Did not attend the 2007 Ivy Summit
  - Committee Chair vacancies, reports, elections
  - Streamlining meetings further
  - GSG contingency plans (e.g., canceling Assembly meetings, vacancies, quorum)
- Institutional memory
  - Establish a Wiki
  - Make retreats more regular
  - Orienting new Assembly reps (suggest elections in Sept or Feb?)
- Connections to Assembly
  - Exec members meet with Assembly members one-on-one
  - Semesterly Assembly-only social events
- Get back to writing the Graduate Student Life Initiative (GSLI)
  - Last one written in 2003, 85 pages long!
  - Future ones should be 10 pages

## 63 ☐ Discussion: Governance

- Connections to student body
  - Beginning of the year "Tip" list?
  - Update better?
    - November, March Assembly meetings: Summer letter writing campaign update (with PriCom results from February)?
    - Midterm reports?
    - Town Hall meetings?
    - CPUC, Committee Chair, Events Board reports
- Graduate School
  - Improve GSO/(GSG) website!
  - Annual Dean Russel Town Hall meetings?
- Interface with departments
  - DGSC connections (formalize connection to GSG rep)
  - Department official reports: ART, CEE, SHE, EAS, EEB, ELE, GEO, MOL, POL, SLA, SOC