



AT-LARGE DIRECTOR

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Greetings Exec Board and Assembly Members,

This past month, I have wrapped up the GAPSAs Needs Assessment Survey, attended and helped out with the President's Reception, attended the Public Affairs committee meeting, and began organizing the GAPSAs presentation for the upcoming National Graduate and Professional Student Association annual conference.

The survey was a huge success in terms of response rate—we had 1,749 replies, which is slightly over 10 percent. The responses were telling. We still need to work on recruiting more graduate and professional students to our events and getting more information out about our grants program, which were the two areas that had the most interest.

The Public Affairs Committee is preparing to set our legislative agenda for the upcoming session. We're planning to craft a brief, one-page document that we can easily take with us into legislative meetings and leave with staffers, so if you have any ideas, please let me know.

Finally, we decided on Support the U Day as the topic for our presentation at the annual NAGPS meeting. In the next month, Matt Schmit and I will be taking the lead on organizing the presentation and logistics for attending the conference.

Also, in the next month, Kevin Wendt and I will oversee the Internal Affairs Committee proceedings. As I mentioned last month, the IAC proceedings have been changed to try to get more objective, candid feedback from the executive board members and staff.

Thank You,

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