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**Graduate and Professional  
Student Government**

University of Iowa Graduate and Professional Student Government  
**Legislative Meeting**  
18<sup>th</sup> Session  
December 2, 2025

1. Call to Order
2. Quorum & Roll Call
3. Presentations
  - a. USG Governmental Relations, USG Director of GR Kartik Kalra
    - i. Continued work on mental health funding ask through state appropriations, working to meet with the governor's office and other representatives.
    - ii. USG priorities that align with GPSG include:
      1. Mental health
      2. Basic Needs
    - iii. USG and GPSG have worked through many joint initiatives together this year. Planning more for next spring, particularly during the spring legislative session at the state capital.
    - iv. Questions: None
4. Old Business
5. New Business
  - a. [D.B.8 Winter Clothing Drive FY26 Supplement](#)
    - i. [D.B.8 Voting Link](#)
    - ii. Basic Needs at Iowa distributes many winter clothing items to students in need, as requested. Last year, GPSG donated clothing items to help supplement this initiative.
    - iii. Questions: none.
    - iv. Passed
  - b. [D.B.9 Student Legal Services FY26 Supplement](#)
    - i. [D.B.9 Voting Link](#)
    - ii. Support for student legal services, as previously discussed in our first legislative session.
    - iii. Questions: None.
    - iv. Passed.
  - c. [D.B.10 FY26 Grants Cycle 3 Approval Bill](#)
    - i. [FY26 Cycle 3 Results](#)

- ii. [D.B.10 Voting Link](#)
  - iii. Overview provided in the Results document.
  - iv. Questions: None.
  - v. Passed.
- 6. [Member Government Announcements](#)
  - a. Association of Graduate Nursing Students (AGNS)
    - i. Gala planning and fundraising
  - b. Carver College of Medicine Student Government (CCOMSG)
    - i. Wrapping up the year: M1s have new LC leadership teams, M2s are preparing to start core rotations, M3s are finishing up core rotations and getting ready for boards, and M4s are interviewing for residency.
  - c. College of Pharmacy Student Leadership Council (COPSLC)
    - i. Looking at ways to use the building more effectively
    - ii. Ongoing drives led by student orgs
  - d. College of Public Health Graduate Student Association (CPHGSA)
    - i. Spring formal planning underway
    - ii. 60 responses to a mental health survey
  - e. Graduate Student Senate (GSS)
    - i. Exec Board sponsored People's Choice Awards
    - ii. Basic needs supplements
  - f. Iowa American Student Dental Association (IASDA)
    - i. Successful National Leadership Conference and District 8 Conference
  - g. Iowa Student Bar Association (ISBA)
    - i. Gearing up for finals
    - ii. Done with ISBA meetings until Spring
    - iii. Spring Barrister's Ball planning underway
- 7. [Director Announcements](#)
  - a. Communications Director
    - i. Marketing requests!!
    - ii. Making an elections webpage with Airiana's help, will be published in January
  - b. DEI Director
    - i. Trans Resource Guide social post was a success
    - ii. Working on a name change workshop
    - iii. Working with USG on a cultural food drive
  - c. Government Relations Director
    - i. BoR in Ames: communicating mental health advocacy efforts to the Regents and spoke about campus initiatives and legislative priorities
    - ii. Meeting: collecting student perspectives on housing in Iowa City as a potential item for local advocacy
  - d. GPAC Director
    - i. Funding Cycle 3 opens on January 20
    - ii. Closes Feb 13<sup>th</sup> (for all events between March 2 and June 30<sup>th</sup>)

- iii. Current GPAC allocations around \$54,000 (of about 117K)
  - iv. GPAC rapid funding always ongoing
- e. Grants Director
  - i. Done with Cycle 3 review
  - ii. Budget allocation for cycle 3 was \$8,166
    - 1. 27 travel grants
    - 2. 4 research grants
    - 3. 1 service application
- f. International Affairs Director
  - i. Planning for Spring activities with the committee
- g. Interprofessional Director
  - i. Working on the GPSG Ball
- h. Mental Health Director
  - i. Working with the UCS focus group and scheduling the final committee meeting of semester
- i. Physical Health and Safety Director
  - i. Public transit info packet to help summarize options for students
  - ii. Working on a resolution
  - iii. Collecting ridership data and needs
  - iv. Rec Services partnership: fitness programs survey
  - v. Surveying Bike Stations
  - vi. Winter Clothing Program (in coordination with USG)
- j. Sustainability Director
  - i. Several spring events in progress
  - ii. Having another GIF meeting soon
  - iii. In progress: bike repair stations, coordinating an event with the bike library
- k. Finance Director
  - i. End of semester logistics: budget updates, SDP updates, transition document
  - ii. Comments and concerns on GPSG money
- l. Cabinet Director
  - i. Directors: schedule 1:1s for January
  - ii. Those sitting on a Presidential Charter Committee please share updates with us!
- m. Vice President
  - i. GradPlus Loans and Grad/prof definitions changes
  - ii. BIG Group
    - 1. Grad and professional student governments across the Big 10
  - iii. SLS review
  - iv. Delegate spring project
    - 1. Resources for students looking to take entrance exams
  - v. Delegate mid-year feedback

- n. President
  - i. Mental Health Funding recommendation
  - ii. Nite Ride updates: Pilot program in the spring
  - iii. Policy on Sexual Assault and Harassment
- 8. Adjourn