



HARVARD GRADUATE COUNCIL

12 GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS, ONE HARVARD.

THE HARVARD GRADUATE COUNCIL

October 2, 2023 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm EST

Harvard Graduate School of Design
Gund Hall 109
48 Quincy Street Cambridge, MA 02138

AGENDA

I. School Tour - GSD Representatives (6:30 pm - 6:55 pm)



II. Roll Call – Yuriko (6:55 pm - 7:00 pm)

- Roll Call of School Representatives

Schools	First Name	Last Name	Individual Present?	School Present?
SEAS	Mark	York	Y	Y
GSAS	Chanthia	Ma	N	Y
	Sonya	Gupta	N	
	Yash	Rana	Y	
	Max	Lu	N	
HLS	Ethan	McKenzie	N	Y
	Mazzen	Shalaby	Y	
	Maxine	Asenso	N	
HBS	Rex	Willis	N	Y
	Adhavan	Adityan	Y	
	Ty	Alfriend	N	
	Davida	Bynum	N	
HSDM	John	Couri	Y	Y
	Adian	Ke	Y	Y
HES	Emina	Dedic	Y	Y
	Brad	Canales	Y	
	Matt	O'Brien	N	
	Angelica	Remache	Y	
HKS	Wilfred	Mbah	Y	Y
HSPH	Olayinka	Fakorede	N	N
HMS	Jose	Orejas	Y	Y
	Yanni	Zong	N	
	Fielding	Fischer	Y	
	Robin	Hu	Y	
HGSE	Derrick	Holifield	Y	Y
GSD	Mike	Kaneshiro Chou	Y	Y
	Caroline	Arbour	Y	
HDS	Mustafa	Diwan	Y	Y
	Stephen	Kim	Y (20:00-)	

- Approval of the Agenda
 - Approval of the Agenda - **MOVED** by Mark York (SEAS) , **SECONDED** by Emina (HES) , **DISSENT?** No. Agenda **APPROVED YES**

III. Presentations (7:00 pm - 7:30 pm)

- Faculty Guest: Julia. C. Curran, Harvard Counseling and Mental Health Service (CAMHS)
 - Roles of CAMHS (non-exhaustive): provide initial consults (15-20 min) for students; bridge sessions between counseling; provide referrals to therapy, psychiatry, support groups; patient portal community therapy referral mailbox; encourage collaboration
 - CMHS support line -- not a crisis line, but a support line
 - Urgent Care -- preferably call in advance
 - Referral mailbox -- Harvard has a roster of doctors outside of Harvard
 - TimelyCare -- telehealth service (Oct 2022-); unlimited health coaching
 - CAMHS psychiatry -- longitudinal, available for duration of your degree
 - All support groups are available online
 - Liaisons assigned to each graduate and professional school (as of fall 2023)
 - Wait times were a concern, but now reduced to ~10 business days
- Open Floor: Ian and Jeff (GSAS) (5 minutes)
 - Intramural athletics: 2 years ago, cross-graduate school league was created with full time staff to oversee the programs
 - Challenges:
 - FAS (Harvard athletics) gym fee varies by school and thus creates inequity
 - Is there a data point?
 - Can each school rep advocate for expanding his/her school's gym access to other Harvard students?
 - Limited coordination / cross-school messaging (Intramural has its own mailing list, Slack)
 - Types of sports available: Volleyball, basketball, soccer → Flag football, ultimate frisbee added this year

IV. New Business (7:30 pm - 8:30 pm)

- [Resolution 23-4-R HGC Logo Change](#)
 - **PASSED** by unanimous, **SECONDED** by Wilfred (HKS), **DISSENT?** **APPROVED YES**
- [Resolution 23-5-R The One Harvard Socials Series](#)
 - Should the funds be allocated based on the student size of each school?

- Key issues
 - HES students are unable to live in Harvard graduate student housing
 - HES - only school conferring undergraduate & graduate degrees, but no mention of program name -- only MLA
- 85% US domestic students; 15% international students
- Rally on Saturday

V: Executive Board Reports (8:30 - 9:00)

- President
- VP
- Operations
 - Request: Fill out GradFest volunteer sign-up form
 - Request: Complete host school sign-up form
 - Next General Council meeting on Mon, Oct 16 at 6:30pm at HLS
- Finance
 - Cash: good through December
 - Gross budget is ~100K; the difference is through ticket sales, fundraising
 - No reimbursements -- everything will be prepaid
- Information
- Programming
 - Welcome back buddy meals
 - Harvard-Yale Football Game
- Advocacy
 - Non-citizen voting rights -- collaboration with MIT graduate student council
 - One Harvard WhatsApp / central communication efforts
 - Lack of prayer space -- Kennedy House on the Yard is the only option; disabled use for graduate students
 - HDS, HLS -- have spaces but need IDs
 - Working with chaplains, faith leaders within Harvard

VI. Adjournment

MOVED by unanimous, **SECONDED** by Angelica (HES), **NO DISSENT**. Meeting was adjourned at 8:54 PM.

VII. Recreation - Russell House