• Introduction and sign in

• Community Agreement and Zoom Specific Agreements

• Roll Call//Academic Departments Present: [22 Graduate Representatives]
  § History of Art & Architecture [1]
  § Film & Media Studies [1]
  § Linguistics [1]
  § Religious Studies [1]
  § Theater & Dance [1]
  § Biomolecular science & Engineering [1]
  § Earth Science [1]
  § Molecular, Cellular & Developmental Bio [1]
  § Physics [2]
  § Communication [1]
  § Geography [1]
  § Global Studies [1]
  § Political Science [1]
  § Sociology [1]
  § Computer Science [1]
  § Chemical Engineering [2]
  § Electrical and Computer Engineering [2]

• Approval of last meeting minutes // MOTION CONSENTED

• Approval of current agenda // MOTION CONSENTED

• Presentations

• Co-Sponsorships
  o UCSB EEMB Undergraduate Research Symposium
  o Art History Graduate Student Association (AHGSA)
American Cultures & Global Contexts Center (ACGGC)

- **Administration Reports**
  - Graduate Division Report // Dr. Carlos M. Nash and Robert Hamm
  - Graduate Council // Giuliana Perrone
  - Academic Senate

- **Executive Board Reports**
  - Co-Presidents // Pedro Craveiro & Felicity Stone-Richards
    - Updates from Chancellor’s Committee on Budget: UCSB is running $50 million structural deficit, they are discussing what kinds of budgetary savings can be made without significant cuts to academic services.
    - The Committee will use one-time funds from the state to cover the whole deficit this year, but over the next few months will be discussing how to address the recurring $25 million ongoing deficit.
    - The deficit is the result of multiple factors including payroll increases, salary and benefit increases, covid shutdown loss of income, previous withdrawal of state funds

  - Vice President of Communication and Events // Maya Zaynetdinvova
    - Grad Student Appreciation Lunch on March 2, 12-1pm was attended by over 400 grad students!
    - GSA elections - Nominations close on April 6th!
      - We have received 18 nominations so far!
      - Candidacy statements due by April 13th
    - We held an info session and lunch for those interested in running on March 29th
      - Over 30 people attended!
    - Earth Day grad student lunch in the works
      - stay tuned ;)

  - Vice President of Graduate Student Affairs // Jordan J. Tudisco
    - Health Insurance:
      - Next year, health insurance premiums for grads will be fully decoupled from undergrads; this means that we are taking a **big** increase to our rates. We are currently trying to brainstorm ways to decrease premiums in the future without losing coverage
      - STI home-test kits and full body laser hair removal for gender affirming care will be covered by our insurance starting next plan year
    - Housing:
      - Next meeting is tomorrow; I’ll get a better sense of how we are doing for Fall 2022
Vice President of External Affairs // Heather Prentice-Waltz

UC Student Lobbying Trip UPDATES:
- Legislative Liaison Anne Berry is currently representing UCSB in Washington DC; working with UCGPC team to meet with congressional representatives
- Lobbying efforts include:
  - supporting AB 1602 Student, faculty and staff housing: California student housing revolving loan fund act
  - supporting H. Con. Res. 19 Urging the establishment of a US commission on truth, racial healing, and transformation
  - supporting Climate Corporate Accountability Act
- We will provide a more detailed follow-up report in the GA in May!

Vice President of Financial Affairs // Melanie Adams

- Two items to vote on later:
  - Increase grad student lock-in fees by $1 ($1.143 in total) to add to childcare grants
  - Increase amount of money allocated per travel grant to $400
- Travel grants:
  - **Advantage**: Higher amount per student
  - **Disadvantage**: With increase in in-person conferences, increase may lead to fewer students receiving a grant in the next year or so once the surplus is eliminated

- **Discussion Items**
  - GSA Bylaw Change

- **Action Items**
  - Vote to approve the change in bylaws to increase the travel grant to $400 // PASSED [19 YES, 0 NO, 3 ABSTAIN]
  - Vote to approve the increase to the childcare grant by $1 // PASSED [19 YES, 0 NO, 2 ABSTAIN]

- **Announcements**
  - Vox Populi

- **Adjournment**
  - Next General Assembly on May 3rd, 2022