



THE THIRTY-THIRD CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS

Calendar: February 3, 2025

Location: Senate Chambers

Time: 6:30 PM

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Reading and Approval of the Minutes

- 01/27/2025 Meeting Minutes

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Report of Officers

- Report of the Speaker
- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Finance
- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Communications
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- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Advocacy

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Committee Report

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- Student Advocacy
- Outreach
- Budget

- Strategic Planning

Funding Requests

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New Business

- Resolution 4: COGS standardized Templates and adopting new Templates
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 - Attachment #2: Transfer Bill Template
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Round Table

Closing Announcements

Adjournment

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**THE THIRTY-THIRD CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS
FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES
Date: January 27, 2025 at 6:30 PM
Location: SSB 214**

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Call to Order

- The Call to Order was issued at 6:40 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

- Since there is no flag, we have skipped the pledge.

Roll Call

- The quorum was met and verified at 6:40 pm.

Reading and Approval of the Minutes

- Speaker Rowan called for a motion to approve the minutes and announced a change from the Agenda sent out earlier today and that grammatical issues were corrected.

Representative Strickland made a motion to approve

Representative Balogun made a second to the motion

Representative Alleyne made a point of question: Representative Alleyne asked if we could come back to the Agenda so that representatives could look over the newly edited Agenda.

Speaker Rowan said we were allowed to do so if we objected to the motion.

Representative Alleyne made an objection

Representative Strickland removed their motion to approve.

Speaker Rowan announced the minutes would be tabled until the end of the meeting.

(Returned to after new business)

Representative Alleyne made a motion to approve the minutes.

Representative Stokes made a second to the motion

No objections were made.

The minutes were approved

- 12/12/24 Meeting Minutes

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- 1/13/25 Meeting Minutes

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Petitions into the Assembly

- No new Petitions were made to the Assembly.

Special Introductions and Student Comments

Members of the Student Body are welcome to address the Congress at this time.

- There were no special Introductions or student Comments.

Messages from Student Government

- There were no messages from the Student Government.

Report from the Office of Governmental Affairs

- There were no reports from the Office of Governmental Affairs.

Report of Officers

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- Report of the Speaker
 - Speaker Rowan: This should be our last meeting located in SSB. This weekend, we will be having our retreat **on February 1st**; it will mainly be conjoined with Graduate Assistants United (GAU); please let us know if you are unable to make it. There will be food; we will be in a room adjacent to the one we are currently in, so we will be in SSB. I would also like to apologize for the weird timeline that we are currently in. A general meeting will be next week, and the agenda will be short. We should be back on a regular schedule by that point. February 10th will be the point at which committee meetings will be held regularly.
- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Finance
 - Representative Aboulhosn reported that Jared is sick, so I will be the interim. The financial report is here. COGS grants will soon be launched, and emails designated for the budget committee will be sent out soon. If there are any more questions please get in touch with Jared on his Deputy Speaker's email.
 - COGS Financial Report, Fiscal Year 2024-2025 as of January 24th, 2025
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- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Communications
 - Deputy Speaker Baez: Hello, everyone. I hope you all are doing well. I apologize for the incorrect agendas; I am still learning Civic Plus. Other than that, I have no new announcements.
- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs
 - Deputy Speaker Balogun: Hello, you all. I hope everyone is doing well. I will resend the financial certification exam to ensure everyone is updated. Once completed, please send it to Deputy Speaker for Communications Noah.
- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Advocacy
 - Speaker Stokes: I hope everyone is doing well; at this time, I have no new updates.

Advisor Announcements

- Advisor Austin: I hope you all had a fantastic break, and at this time, I have no announcements.

Committee Report

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- Internal Affairs
 - Representative Mederev: Due to the weather, we did not meet last week and will meet after this COGS meeting.
- Student Advocacy
 - Representative Hussain: We have nothing to report since we did not meet due to the weather.
- Student Affairs
 - Representative Strickland: Hey, Everyone. Outreach met today at 6:00 p.m., and we talked about how we can do passive outreach around the university.
- Budget
 - Vice Chair Aboulhosn: We talk about the grants, how many people will be able to apply, and how much of the budget we will give towards grants.
- Strategic Planning
 - Vice Chair Stokes: We discussed what COGS will be working on in the future and what we could do better. Hopefully, there will be workshopping; the 17th is the hope for the mission statement to be ready for Cogs as a whole.

Funding Requests

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- Bill #7: AGSA Funding Bill
 - Speaker Rowan: This bill is sponsored by Representative Ebuara
 Representative Ebuara: Thank you, everyone, for paying attention to the bill. This organization is the umbrella organization for all African graduate students. It means a lot to me because it is a part of my identity, made to create a community. Each year, this RSO has a beach get-together and visits St George. The money will be used for T-shirts, food, and transportation. I am happy to answer; we also have representatives from the organization.

General Questioning:

Representative Vaughn: since it's after the end of the school year, will students still be in town

Representative Ebuara: Yes, they will be here

Speaker Rowan: we are now in a period of Pro.

Deputy Speaker Balogun: since there is nowhere to go after the school year, this will be able to be used for all of us to get to celebrate the end of the year, and I think it would be great for us to purchase it; we have done one in 2023

Representative Vaughn: I also remember the event in 2023, and I also think you should all get funding during the budget period.

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a period of Con

No comments were made during the period of Con

Speaker Rowan: I will entertain a motion to call the Question
Motion to call the Question by Representative Alleyne
A second to the motion by Representative Aboulhosn
Closing statement by Representative Ebuara: thank you, and hopefully, the bill will go forward

Vote:
yes-21
no-0
abstain-0

- **Bill #8: (L)iteratures and Linguistics (In)terdisciplinary (C)onference for Graduate Students (LINC)**
 - **Speaker Rowan:** This bill is sponsored by Representative Fahmy
Representative Fahmy: Hello, everyone. The LINC organizing committee is the only RSO allowing graduate student collaboration across language programs within the Department of Modern Languages and Linguistics. We look forward to hosting our two-day graduate student conference in 2025. The program will feature one internal keynote speaker, Dr. Martin Munro (MLL), and one external keynote speaker, Dr. Karen Evans-Romaine (traveling from the University of Wisconsin-Madison), along with a curated selection of presentations and panels from undergraduate students, graduate students, and non-affiliated scholars. They also want food catered by Publix and water jugs and cups. We also have the representative of the organization here with us today.

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a period of general questioning.

Representative Vaughn: I believe there is a typo in the unit price. If you have 15,000 instead of 1500, can you let us know the event dates?
Representatives from the organization: the conference will be on February 27 and 28th.

Deputy Speaker Balogun: what is the travel cost?

A representative from the organization: The travel cost is for the keynote speaker, Dr. Karen Evans-Romaine, who is traveling from the University of Wisconsin-Madison

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a period of pro
pro: none

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a period of con
con: none

Speaker Rowan: We are now in the second round of pro

Representative Vaughn: motion to amend the unit price of contractual services from 15000 to 1500

Representative Strickland: Second, the motion

Objection: none

Speaker Rowan: The amendment is now adopted

Speaker Rowan: We are now in the second round of a con. I will entertain a motion to call into question

Motion call the question by Deputy Speaker Stokes
A second to the motion by Representative Holdrum
Speaker Rowan: We will now call the question on the bill
Closing statement: none

Vote:
yes: 21
No: 0
abstain: 0
Bill passes as amended

- **Bill #9: Clinical Psychology Diversity Committee**

- **Speaker Rowan:** This bill is sponsored by Representative Daniels, but they are not here today so that Representative Alleyne will give the opening statement.

Opening statement: Hello, everyone. The Diverse Speaker Series is a clinical science colloquium in which an invited speaker presents their work in clinical psychology. The Clinical Psychology Diversity Committee will host Dr. Caroline Silva for this event. Dr. Silva's presentation will focus on integrating the Interpersonal Theory of Suicide with cultural determinants of health to inform the development and evaluation of suicide prevention interventions for at-risk youth. The main cost is the speaker fee, and catering services will take place in the psych building. Representative traveling is from Rochester and 500 for honorarium

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a period of general questioning.

Representative Ebuara: I have no question now after reading the bill closer
Deputy Speaker Balogun: do we have to worry about a contractual service limit

Speaker Rowan: We are okay with moving forward with the bill. We heard from them in the fall when they had a speaker on Zoom. This speaker will come in person, and it's the exact cost as last time.

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a period of pro
point of information by Representative Vaughn- The bill needs to be rounded up in terms of total cost and expenditure from 1949.74- 1950 and unit price.

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a period of con
Con: no comment

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a second round of pro
Motion to amend by Representative Vaughn the total cost and expenditure from 1949.74- 1950 and the unit price
A second to the amendment by Representative Ebuara
Speaker Rowan: The amendment is now adopted

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a second round of con. I will entertain a motion to call into question

A motion to call the question by Deputy Speaker Stokes

A second to the motion by Representative Alleyne

no objection

Speaker Rowan: We will now call the question on the bill

the closing statement was waived

Vote

yes: 21

no: 0

Abstain:0

Bill 9 passes as amended

- **Bill #10: Art History Association**

- **Speaker Rowan:** This bill is sponsored by Representative Fermin, but they are not here today, so that Deputy Speaker Stokes will give the opening statement.

Opening statement: Hello, Everyone. I will read directly what the bill says: the Art History Association requests funding for their annual symposium. The symposium consists of presentations, networking events, and a keynote speaker, all of which provide graduate students with an opportunity to develop and expand their connection to art history and meet with researchers and alumni to further their academic and professional knowledge. These funds will be used to cover the cost of the symposium dinner. The symposium will be advertised via physical and digital means through posters in high-traffic areas for students most likely to be interested in the program. Information will also be distributed via emails and newsletters to various majors and programs associated with art history. The event is open to all students, and there is no cost associated with membership to AHA or attendance at the event. We also have representatives from the organization here today.

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a period of general questioning.

Representative Ebuara: is there an invited speaker?

A representative from the organization: Yes, we do have a keynote speaker, but the department will be paying for the honorarium

Representative Vaughn: Are you all using Campus Catering

A representative from the organization: Yes

Representative Vaughn: can you explain the different sources of funding you all have?

A representative from the organization: We mostly get funding directly from the department. However, this time, we were not able to procure the funds, so that is why we are at COGS today.

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a period of pro

Pro: no comment

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a period of con

Con: no comment

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a second round of pro.

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a second round of con. I will entertain a motion to waive COGS Code 201.7

motion to waive COGS Code 201.7 by Representative Strickland
a second to the motion by Representative Aboulhosn
no objections to the motion

Deputy Speaker Balogun made a motion to call into question
a second to the motion by Chair Hussain
objection: none

Speaker Rowan: We will now call to question on the bill
closing statement: thank you for your patience with our paperwork and your time
vote:
yes- 21
no -0
abstain- 0

Unfinished Business

- There was no unfinished business.

New Business

- - Resolution 2: AGSA Off-Campus Waiver
 - **Speaker Rowan:** This Resolution is sponsored by Representative Ebuara

Opening statement: Hello, Everyone. I appreciate your support of the Bill that goes with this Resolution. COGS code makes it so that we can only fund on-campus events, but this waiver will allow us to fund this event happening off of this campus

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a period of general questioning.

Deputy Speaker Balogun: What will the safety measures be for this event?
Representative Ebuara: We will be having the buses taking students to and from, and the exec board will be in charge of making sure all are safe

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a period of pro.

Deputy Speaker Balogun: It would be a good event, and nothing will happen. That is also why I asked the question in the beginning.

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a period of con

Con: no comment

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a second round of pro. I will entertain a motion to call to question.

motion to call to question by Representative Aboulhosn
a second to the motion by Deputy Speaker Balogun
no objections to the motion

Speaker Rowan: We will now call to question on the resolution
closing statement: thank you, everyone, once again
vote:
yes- 21
no -0
abstain- 0

- Resolution 3: MAAPPA House of Rock Off-Campus Waiver

- **Speaker Rowan:** This bill is sponsored by Deputy Speaker Bethke, but they are not here today, so that Representative Aboulhosn will give the opening statement

Opening statement: The legislative session is coming up soon, and they want to host a kick-off event. The resolution is to allow them the ability to have it off-campus.

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a period of general questioning.

No questions were asked.

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a period of pro.
Pro: no comment
Speaker Rowan: We are now in a period of con
Con: no comment

Speaker Rowan: We are now in a second round of pro. I will entertain a motion to call to question.

motion to call to question by Deputy Speaker Stokes
a second to the motion by Representative Strickland
no objections to the motion

Speaker Rowan: We will now call to question on the resolution
closing statement: thank you, everyone. I think this is a fantastic event idea

Vote:
yes- 21
no -0
abstain- 0

Round Table

- motion to call to waive round table by Representative Ebuara
a second to the motion by Representative Fahmy
no objections to the motion

Closing Announcements

- Speaker Rowan: Thank you for your patience. The storm threw our timelines off, so we should return to Senate chambers next week. Please be up on discussion items for the retreat. Let me know. See you all at the retreat on Saturday.

Advisor Austin: Budget training will be held on Feb 25th from 2 pm to 6 pm. This is an excellent time for you all to learn how the budget is done

Adjournment

- The COGS meeting was adjourned at 7:24 pm.



COGS Resolution #: 4

Sponsor(s): Fermin, Rowan

A RESOLUTION

Amending the IROP to Require Standardized Templates for Bills and Resolutions, and Adopting New Templates

1 **WHEREAS**, the Student Senate has recently introduced a new set of templates for bills and
2 resolutions, as well as introducing a new system of cover sheets for items of business; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the Congress wishes to adopt similar templates to make the preparation of bills and
4 resolutions easier; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the COGS Internal Rules of Procedure do not currently provide for a standardized
6 template for bills and resolutions;

7 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the 33rd Congress of Graduate Students at Florida**
8 **State University that:** Rule 4.1 of the COGS Internal Rules of Procedure is hereby amended to
9 read:

10 Rule 4: Submission Of Bills, Resolutions, ~~And Motions~~

11 1. Bills and Resolutions shall be the exclusive methods of the Congress expressing its written
12 beliefs, opinions, wills, or orders. Bills and Resolutions shall be submitted to the Deputy
13 Speaker of Communications and the Advisor by email no later than noon on the Thursday
14 preceding an Assembly meeting, unless this rule is waived by the Speaker, Deputy Speaker of
15 Communications, or a two-thirds vote of the Assembly.

16 a. Bills and Resolutions must have at least one Representative as a sponsor.

17 b. Bills must include a statement of the purpose of the bill.

18 c. Bills and Resolutions shall conform to the templates approved by majority vote of the
19 Congress and shall include a cover sheet, which shall be established by majority vote of
20 the Congress.

21 d. If a Bill or Resolution is commending or condemning an individual, organization or event,
22 it shall solely represent the opinions of that Congress which approves its passage.

23 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:** the Congress hereby approves, pursuant to new IROP Rule 4.1(c),
24 the attached templates for bills changing COGS Code (Attachment #1), bills transferring or
25 allocating COGS funds (Attachment #2), and resolutions (Attachment #3), as well as the cover
26 sheet template in Attachment #4; and

27 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:** the templates for the annual budget and the semesterly budgets
28 for MSC and LSC shall be forthcoming; and

29 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:** the Congress intends to take up a bill providing further definitions
30 for bills and resolutions in COGS Code, as part of the COGS Code revisions being considered by
31 the Internal Affairs Committee; and

32 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that:** A copy of this Resolution, and its attachments, shall be sent to:

33 The Members of the 33rd Congress of Graduate Students,
34 Jack Rowan, Speaker,
35 Noah Baez, Deputy Speaker for Communications, and
36 Kyanna Austin, COGS Advisor.

DONE AND ADOPTED by the 33rd Congress of Graduate Students at Florida State University this DAY
of MONTH, YEAR.

FLOOR VOTE: Deputy Speaker to Add Vote Count

COMMITTEE REFERENCES AND DATES OF PASSAGE:

- Referred to the floor upon introduction.

By: _____
Jack Rowan
Speaker, 33rd COGS

By: _____
Andy Johnson, Program Director
Student Governance & Advocacy

Date: _____

Date: _____



COGS Bill #: Do Not Fill – Deputy Speaker Will Add

Sponsor(s): Representative(s) that authored this legislation

AN ACT

Copy and paste the text from the “Short Title” section on the Legislation Cover Sheet.

1 ***Be it enacted by the 33rd Congress of Graduate Students at Florida State University that:***

2 **Section 1. Amendment to COGS Code Chapter [Number], “[Title]”.**

3 Section ##-## of the Florida State University COGS Code, entitled “[Section Title]” is hereby
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Add legislative revisions here; be sure to include strikethrough/underline as needed to indicate
6 proposed changes to the COGS Code.

7 **Section 2. Amendment to COGS Code Chapter [Number], “[Title]”.**

8 Section ##-## of the Florida State University COGS Code, entitled “[Section Title]” is hereby
9 amended to read as follows:

10 If amending more than one Chapter of the COGS Code, include as many Bill Sections as needed.
11 Revisions to each Chapter should have their own section in the bill. If only amending one Chapter, delete
12 this Section and renumber the following Section (“Effective Date”) accordingly.

13 **Section 3. Effective Date.**

14 The provisions of this bill shall take effect Either “upon signature of the Vice President for Student
15 Affairs” or specify a different date the bill is to take effect.

DONE AND PASSED by the 33rd Congress of Graduate Students at Florida State University this DAY
of MONTH, YEAR.

FLOOR VOTE: Deputy Speaker to Add Vote Count

COMMITTEE REFERENCES AND DATES OF PASSAGE:

- Deputy Speaker to Add Committee References and Dates of Passage

By: _____
Jack Rowan
Speaker, 33rd COGS

Date: _____

By: _____
Andy Johnson, Program Director
Student Governance & Advocacy

Date: _____

By: _____
Dr. Amy Hecht
Vice President for Student Affairs

Date: _____



Allocation, Revision, or Transfer

33rd Congress of Graduate Students

Bill #: Do not fill.

Sponsored by: Click or tap here to enter text.

Date: Click or tap here to enter text.

Amount: Click or tap here to enter text.

From (account name): Click or tap here to enter text.

To (account name): Click or tap here to enter text.

Purpose & Description: Click or tap here to enter text.

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	Description	Unit Price
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here to enter text.



COGS Resolution #: Do Not Fill – Deputy Speaker Will Add

Sponsor(s): Representative(s) that authored this legislation

A RESOLUTION

Copy and paste the text from the “Short Title” section on the Legislation Cover Sheet.

1 **WHEREAS**, Enter your resolution text here. Start with general/overview information and get
2 progressively more specific in each subsequent clause; **and**

3 **WHEREAS**, FUN FACT: the clauses beginning with “Whereas” in resolutions are known
4 individually as “recitals”; **and**

5 **WHEREAS**, FUN FACT: collectively, the recitals are sometimes referred to as the “preamble” to the
6 resolution; **and**

7 **WHEREAS**, PRO TIP: generally, shorter = better in a resolution! Check out [this webpage](#) for some
8 helpful guidance from the ALA on writing resolutions; **and**

9 **WHEREAS**, PRO TIP: end the final recital with just a semicolon; omit the word “and”;

10 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the 33rd Congress of Graduate Students at Florida**
11 **State University that:** FUN FACT: these clauses in the resolution are known as “resolving
12 clauses” and specify the action(s) that should be taken by COGS/SGA;

13 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:** Include as many resolving clauses as necessary, but keep it
14 short and sweet!;

DONE AND ADOPTED by the 33rd Congress of Graduate Students at Florida State University this DAY
of MONTH, YEAR.

FLOOR VOTE: Deputy Speaker to Add Vote Count

COMMITTEE REFERENCES AND DATES OF PASSAGE:

- Deputy Speaker to Add Committee References and Dates of Passage

By: _____
Jack Rowan
Speaker, 33rd COGS

Date: _____

By: _____
Andy Johnson, Program Director
Student Governance & Advocacy

Date: _____



33rd Congress of Graduate Students Legislation Cover Sheet

COGS Bill/Resolution #: Do Not Fill – Deputy Speaker Will Add

Sponsor(s): Representative(s) that authored this legislation

Short Title: *(Include a short title explaining what the legislation does. This text will appear on the COGS agenda and agenda packet, so it should be kept as brief as possible. For example: “Amending Chapter 104, COGS Code, to Create a New Deputy Speaker for Advocacy” or “Recognizing National Hispanic Heritage Month.”)*

Summary of Legislation:

(Provide a 2-3 sentence summary of the legislation that provides more detail to your fellow Representatives and other interested parties as to what the legislation changes. Example: “This bill would amend Chapter 104, COGS Code, to create a new Deputy Speaker for Advocacy.” The bill also clarifies the duties of each member of the Executive Committee to account for the new position.”)

Background Information:

(Provide as much information as needed regarding the background and context of this issue. Explain why this legislation is being presented to COGS for consideration. Include any relevant history and discuss any student groups, campus partners, and/or any other stakeholders that may be impacted by the legislation.)

Effect of Proposed Legislation:

(Discuss exactly what this legislation would accomplish or change if enacted by COGS.)

Attachment(s):

- Attachment #1: Example: “Proposed Bill” or “Proposed Resolution,” etc.; add additional attachments below as needed.



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS

Statute Revision or Addition

33rd Congress of Graduate Students

Bill #: 11

Sponsored by: Speaker Rowan

Date: February 3, 2025

Purpose & Description: A Bill to Clarify the Approval Process for Acts of the Congress, and to Revise the Process for Amending the Annual Budget and Accompanying Proviso.

Be it enacted by the Thirty-Third Congress of Graduate Students:

Section 1: Chapter 106 of COGS Code shall be amended to read:

Chapter 106 After-The-Fact Amendments To The Annual Budget

1. After the Annual Budget has been approved, ~~an amount not to exceed \$500.00 monies~~ may be moved within a line item between the categories of Salary, OPS Wages, Contractual Services, Expense, or OCO upon request of any COGS-funded entity by a majority vote of the Assembly. Such transfers of \$500 or less shall be deemed approved when, during New Business, the Deputy Speaker for Finance presents *en bloc* all pending transfers of \$500 or less and no Representative objects. If there is an objection, each bill shall be debated as normal. ~~with the signatures of the Speaker, Deputy Speaker for Finance, and Vice President for Student Affairs or his/her designee.~~
2. Annual Budget proviso may be amended by bill.
3. ~~COGS, by a majority vote of the Assembly, may make any lawful amendments to the Annual Budget it deems necessary, regardless of amount or category. Any such revision amendment to the Annual Budget, or its proviso, shall still require the signature of the Vice President for Student Affairs~~ University President or his/her designee.

Section 2: Chapter 107 of COGS Code shall be amended to read:

Chapter 107 Amendments To The COGS Code Forms of Action

1. Bills shall be used to amend COGS Code, Annual Budget, and Annual Budget proviso. Amendments to the COGS Code shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote of COGS.
 1. Bills shall include a title which summarizes the bill, a short title for the bill, and shall include the enacting clause "Be it Enacted by the [Number of Congress] Congress of Graduate Students that:".
 2. Bills may include proviso language to take ancillary actions, including, but not limited to:
 1. Setting an effective date later than upon signature of the Vice President for Student Affairs,
 2. Issuing waivers under COGS Code (unless Code requires the waiver to be made by resolution),
 3. Providing limitations on funds allocated by COGS,
 4. Providing approval for COGS to enter into written agreements related to the bill.
 3. Bills amending COGS Code shall be signed in the following order after approval by the Assembly:
 1. The Speaker, who signs in a ministerial capacity to signify the Assembly's approval of the bill,
 2. The COGS Advisor, who shall sign, in a ministerial capacity, within two (2) school days of receipt to signify receipt by the SGA Advising Staff, and
 3. The Vice President for Student Affairs, who has ten (10) school days from being presented with the bill to sign or veto the bill. Should the bill not be acted upon within the aforementioned time limit, the bill shall be deemed as approved and enrolled.
 4. Bills amending the Annual Budget or its Proviso shall be signed in the following order after approval by the Assembly:
 1. The Speaker, who signs in a ministerial capacity to signify the Assembly's approval of the bill,
 2. The Deputy Speaker for Finance, who signs in a ministerial capacity to acknowledge the amendment to COGS finances,
 3. The COGS Advisor, who shall sign, in a ministerial capacity, within two (2) school days of receipt to signify receipt by the SGA Advising Staff, and
 4. The University President or their designee, who has ten (10) school days from being presented with the bill to sign or veto the bill. Should the bill not be acted upon within the aforementioned time limit, the bill shall be deemed as approved and enrolled.
2. Resolutions shall be used to convey the opinion of the Congress, amend the Internal Rules of Procedure, and issue waivers (as required by Code). Resolutions shall be

signed by the Speaker, acting in a ministerial capacity, to signify the Assembly's approval of the resolution.

1. Resolutions shall included the following resolved clause: "Be it Resolved by the [Number of Congress] Congress of Graduate Students:".
2. The Congress may not enter into written agreements unless approved by resolution, except for those agreements allowed for in bill proviso.

Section 3: This bill shall be effective upon signature by the Vice President for Student Affairs.