

Resolution # 66-04

The Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA) The Pennsylvania State University



of the 66th Assembly
October 19, 2016

Be it decided by the Assembly of Elected Delegates,

GPSA Bylaws Article I – At Large Delegates **Clarifying the procedure to move At-Large Delegates to Constituency Seats** (Decided: [Y / N / A])

1 **Nature of the Situation:**

2 The Internal Development Committee is tasked with “improving GPSA policies and procedures
3 and all other internal matters to ensure the well-being of GPSA and its members” (GPSA By-
4 Laws, Art. IV, Cl. F)

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6 This year, we, as a committee, are looking to close any procedural, and otherwise, gaps in the
7 GPSA bylaws. When there is an absence of procedural action, we hope to codify the ordinary
8 course of practice.

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10 **Recommended Course of Action:**

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12 We propose the following change to the GPSA Bylaws.

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14 Article I Section E. will now read:

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16 “There shall be a total of five At-Large delegate seats. Any current graduate or professional
17 student who is not already a delegate from a constituency may fill an At-Large delegate seat.
18 These seats shall be filled by a presidential appointment and approved by a majority vote of the
19 Assembly. **If a seat in the Assembly representing a constituency becomes vacant during the**
20 **Assembly term, and there is a currently serving At-Large Delegate from that same**
21 **constituency, that At-Large delegate shall automatically become the representative of that**
22 **constituency, and the At-Large seat shall be considered vacant. If there are two At-Large**
23 **Delegates from the same constituency, the President shall decide prior to the next Assembly**

1 **meeting which delegate will move to the constituency seat, and which shall remain At-**
2 **Large.”**

Respectfully submitted,

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President _____ Affirm Veto

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