

## **PGSA General Meeting 9/6/2018 - Meeting Minutes**

We introduced the PGSA.

We did not select a new FYR... email will be sent out!

Attempted to explain the APS Bridge program.

Meeting Friday 9/7 at 10am in Foldy Room for more info

### **Constitution updates:**

We included the Diversity Committee as a standing committee (almost unanimous yes) - with careful recollection as to why it was set up in the first place.

DC needs to create a statement of purpose for constitution.

Want to solidify anonymity of grad students expressing concerns. Realized that we may be brushing up against some Title IX clauses. Our wording should be careful to fit into this regime.

Want to include super majority voting mechanism for impeachment, or reversal of executive board decision.

Will continue to edit, and bring draft to next meeting.

Diversity committee expressed plans for the upcoming semester, with emphasis on expanding it's reach to speakers from outside of the department.

It was discussed that the DC should not forget why it was originally created - to increase the inclusiveness of PGSA activities (including meetings, social events, and functions) in regards to physics graduate students.

We discussed reinstatement of recruitment committee. John, Kyle, Jagjit and Brian expressed interest in helping out. John is now nominal chair.

Our budget is the same as last year so we will try to maintain our usual level of activity and try to continue to host a monthly Happy Hour (every other month hosted by faculty).