1. **Bring the Meeting to Session - POGSS**
   a. Meeting called to session at 4:00 p.m.

2. **Roll Call - COGSS**

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3. **Introductions**
   a. Introductions were made
   b. Introduction to how meetings were structured; explanation of modified feminist procedures; voting procedures, etc.

4. **Approval of Meeting Minutes - POGSS & COGSS**
   a. Caroline made a motion to approve the minutes from the 5/12/21 meeting. Chelsea seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

5. **New Business - POGSS**
   a. Appointment of new senators - Karla will make appointments now that election season is over.
      i. Vice President - Caroline Kanaskie
      ii. CHHS - Sydney Olson
      iii. PAUL - Acacia Giberson
b. Vacancies - If Senators know of people that would be interested for the following positions, they should invite them to get in contact with the GSS:
   i. COLSA (1)
   ii. CHHS (3)
   iii. Manchester (1)
   iv. Graduate School (1)
   v. Housing (1)

c. Constituencies - Senators were informed of who their constituencies are and who needs to be contacted.

d. Committee Overview
   i. Financial Affairs Committee - Deals with all financial matters; chaired by Sreelekha.
   ii. Programming Committee - Plans and coordinates events for graduate students.
   iii. Governance Committee - Responsible for running elections and in charge of overseeing the Senators.
   iv. Diversity and Inclusivity Committee
   v. Housing and Transportation Committee
   vi. Health and Wellness Committees (Ad Hoc Committee).
   vii. Senators were given a link to sign up for Committees.

e. CEPS Graduate Student Advisory Board - POGSS
   i. CEPS wants students to submit information for surveys re: housing in New Hampshire. CEPS is looking to acquire responses from students about housing prices and affordability in New Hampshire.

f. Goals for the year - open discussion
   i. Griffin wants to continue to bridge the gap between the three campuses.
   ii. Sreelekha wants to confront health insurance issues for graduate students.
   iii. Caroline wants to bring up to administration that cost of living is increasing but UNH’s stipends haven’t been increasing. Increasing cost of living should be addressed.
   iv. Griffin asks how the recent divisive concepts ban in New Hampshire is going to affect GSS discussions.
   v. Chelsea wants to increase mental health resources for students. Specifically, wants to increase the amount of PACS sessions available.
vi. Ben also wants the administration to do more about mental health. Suggested that the students communicate with the administration to find out what’s hard on their end to do and work from there.

vii. Karla wants to be able to bring students together specifically when advocating so that the administration knows that just how many students are interested.

viii. Karla mentioned that the University makes us pay for the gym during the Summer.

ix. Caroline wants the administration to acknowledge that COVID is still an issue and make clear that there are options for students/faculty still concerned with their health.

x. Diana asked what resources are available re: mental health on campus. Caroline discussed PACS and how the language regarding the 8 sessions as it stands makes it seem like you shouldn’t go. Karla discussed health and wellness. Also discussed how Health & Wellness isn’t covered by University insurance during the Summer.

xi. Janie asked for better set up and better communications for people on Zoom.

6. Upcoming Events/Important Dates - POGSS
   a. The Nest Open House (Sept. 22, 2021) (note: meant to coincide with U Day; mention this in next newsletter)
   b. Graduate Student Lunch (TBA)
   c. Town Hall (TBA)
   d. Meeting at the Thirsty Something in Dover (TBA)

7. Adjournment
   Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Griffin seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote.