1) Meeting called to order at 5:50pm
2) Regular introductory remarks
   a) Pamela Weisenhorn encourages people to talk to others in their delegation
3) Break out into college delegations
4) College Delegation Lead reports
   a) AHC: Kathy Nelson
      i) Health care concerns, will be addressed later
      ii) Parking concerns, students walk far for parking. Professional students trying to get a
          flex parking program, grad students trying to get added to this too. Trying to work
          out the logistics.
   b) CEHD
      i) Discussed upping their delegations representation in COGS
      ii) VP of Internal Relations notes that at the start of the year we recruit at orientations
          if you’re involved in these orientation activities let cogs@umn.edu know
   c) CFANS
      i) We had an ice cream social with the deans it was very successful! They requested
         feedback on transition communication; they aren’t doing great so we will
         communicate with them on how to improve things
   d) CBS
      i) Communication issues discussed; college rep who meets with the dean has tried to
         improve communication with collegiate reps
   e) CSE
      i) Brief discussion over confusion on health insurance. Discussion on number of
         journals that CSE has subscription to
   f) CLA
      i) Vague health insurance email, it wasn’t supposed to go to graduate students. They
         should email all graduate students to clarify. Graduate students feel like they are
         in the dark writhing regards to the restructuring
   g) Humphrey
      i) Discussed dean search; it is currently in the decision making part
5) Motion to approve the minutes; minutes approved
6) Motion to approve the agenda; agenda approved
7) Devin Driscoll, Presidents report
   a) It has been a tumultuous year but it has been a pleasure to lead this organization. He is
      excited about all of the candidates up for election.
   b) Kathy Nelson gives a report on SHAC (Student Health Advisory Committee) and SHBCC
      (Student Health Benefits Consultative Committee)
      i) SHAC mental health visit copays were discussed; they were concerned cost was
         preventing mental health utilization. Put together a student fees request for waiver
         of student mental health copays. Got a very negative reaction, they are now talking
         to OSA to see if OSA could at least partially fund this
ii) Smoke free campus subcommittee. Have been shut down before but have now put together an implementation plan. She would like feedback on this, are people for or against this idea? Email cogs@umn.edu

iii) Hard waiver, next year every student at the U will be charged for the student health plan to make sure that everyone has insurance. If you fill out the waiver you will get the fee removed. The problem is that people may not understand that they can waive this fee. SHAC will talk to OSHB about communicating this to students. We will have to waive the fee too!

iv) Went over change to the student health benefit plan and graduate assistant plan.

v) They are going to add a dental plan, optional opt in dental plan with a 1000 max coverage.

vi) The email that we all got should not have gone out to graduate students. Kathy will talk to Sue Jackson about getting an email sent out to graduate students

8) Melody Hoffmann, Exec VP, has no report

9) Jeremy Wang, VP internal relations
   a) Working with CDLs to set up events for grad student appreciation week
   b) Meeting with collegiate reps as well
   c) Please talk to your CDL if you have questions
   d) Graduate school and COGS are sponsoring a GPEA offsite event. The GEPA is the graduate and professional education assembly where we will be talking about graduate program evaluation. If you are not going to the onsite event consider attending this instead! Monday April 19 212 mechanical engineering

10) Mandy Stahre, VP of University Relations’ update on the leave of absence policy
   a) Because of the way the undergraduate policy is written, we have to write an entire new policy. We also talked about the graduate school transition website we can send it out again

11) Elections
12) Devin will make sure that people are accepting the nominations, if we are not having a contest we will take nominations from the floor

13) President
   a) Emily Combs spoke
   b) Ed Hahn spoke
   c) Questions asked of both candidates
   d) Voting occurs by secret ballot

14) Executive Vice President
   a) Pamela declines due to personal issues
   b) Call for nominations, hearing none
   c) Melody Hoffman speaks, motion to approve her election by a vote of acclimation. Motion passes

15) VP Internal Relations
   a) Call for nominations, Nirav Desai self nominates
   b) Gabe Shapiro could not be with us his wife Emily speaks instead
c) Nirav Desai speaks
d) Voting occurs by secret ballot
16) Announcement of results of President election Emily Combs won 36 to 34
17) Vice President for University Relations
   a) Call for nominations from the floor, Scott Petty self nominates
   b) Scott Thaller speaks
   c) Scott Petty speaks
   d) Voting occurs by secret ballot
18) Announcement of results of VP Internal Relations election: Gabe Shapiro
19) VP for Communications
   a) Leia Rollag speaks
   b) Nirav Desai speaks
   c) Adam Dahl speaks
   d) Questions asked of both candidates
   e) Voting occurs by secret ballot
20) GEC representatives
   a) Pamela Weisenhorn speaks
   b) Pamela speaks for Kimi Johnson
   c) Tim Salo speaks
   d) Motion to vote by acclimation; motion passes
21) Motion to extend time by 10 minutes; motion passes
22) Announcement of results of VP Communications election: Adam Dahl
23) Senate
   a) Emily Durham-Shapiro speaks
   b) Someone speaks on behalf of Lauren Deland
   c) Someone speaks on behalf of Kathleen Vandevoorde
   d) Amit Singh speaks
   e) An-Min Wu speaks
   f) Sarah Nelson speaks
   g) Nirav Desai speaks
   h) Voting occurs by secret ballot
24) Motion to extend the meeting by 15 minutes, motion fails
25) Motion to extend the meeting by 5 minutes, motion passes
26) Challenge to the ruling of the chair, chair decides to hold revote
27) Revote on motion to extend the meeting by 5 minutes, motion fails due to even division of the votes