



GSO Senate Resolution 16.01

A Resolution to Commend the Success of the Airport Shuttle Pilot Program and Make Recommendations on Future Year Operations

Whereas, the airport shuttle pilot program (program) transported over 300 students from the Syracuse Airport and Regional Transportation Center to the campus area during its period of operation, from August 3 through August 27, at a total cost to the GSO of no more than \$4,000, representing considerably lower per student costs out of the graduate student fee than those that would have been incurred by the students on taxi rides; and

Whereas, the program employed 11 graduate students during this time, providing an alternate income stream to several of our students in addition to experience and an opportunity to meet new students and introduce them to the Syracuse area; and

Whereas, the program provided an excellent opportunity to educate incoming students on the GSO and its benefits to students, particularly new students, including the time and location of the fall picnic, where the graduate student fee is allocated, and where and when the first GSO Senate meeting would take place; and

Whereas, considerable data was collected to improve the new student experience, program administration, and cost efficiency for next year, in the case that the program is approved for continuation; and

Whereas, due to an unexpected change in personnel within Enrollment Management, the program was largely administered by the GSO President, contrary to original program proposal documentation, resulting in overwork of the President and some misinformation about program work details to the employed students which could have been prevented by direct program administration from Enrollment Management or some other university office; therefore be it

Resolved, that the GSO Senate thanks Can Aslan, GSO President, and the drivers and staff involved in the program for their hard work in operating this pilot program and making it such a success; and be it

Resolved, that the GSO Senate recommends to the university that such a program continue in future years; and be it

Resolved, that if this or a substantially similar program occurs in future years, that GSO Board members be barred from administering the program and that university staff or other paid students perform administrative duties relating to the operation of such a program.