

MGB Agenda

April 2nd, 2025

1. Notifications from Chair and Vice Chair

- (a) Account Balance: \$540.48 (plus \$40.88 from GPSG that can be used for events)
- (b) The next travel funding window closes on April 25th for conferences between March 24th to May 18th.
- (c) GOLDrush fundraising is going on. It would be great if every grad student could get a \$10 donation.
- (d) Chipotle fundraiser on Tuesday, April 15 4-8 p.m. People must tell the worker at the register that they are there for MGB. Students can find little business cards to hand them in the math lab.

2. Officer Updates

- (a) General Liaison
 - i. There will be a Qual Prep this summer, but it is not guaranteed for the following summers.
- (b) Social Co-Chairs
 - i. There is a Joes Night this Friday.
 - ii. The Spring Picnic will be on April 26th and an email will be sent out with more information.
- (c) Newsletter/T-shirt Ministers
 - i. Expect an email this week or next week asking for material for the next Newsletter.
- (d) GAUSS & DRP Co-Chairs
 - i. Nicholas is talking today at GAUSS.
 - ii. There will most likely be a final event for DRP this semester.
- (e) Heartland Chair
 - i. No updates
- (f) International Liaison
 - i. No updates
- (g) Webmaster
 - i. No updates

3. SIAM Updates

- (a) There are still writing groups every Tuesday from 11:00-2:00pm in B11.
- (b) The Three Minute Thesis is April 18th in 118 MLH from 3:30pm-5:00pm. It is too late to sign up but please still attend. There will be an audience vote.

4. GSS Updates

- (a) Friday Night Vibes at Big Grove: April 11 from 6-9 for Graduate Student Appreciation Week.
- (b) Time to nominate new senators!
 - AMCS: Garrett, Yuan, Manu, Shital, Brooke
 - Math: Edo, Juan Felipe, Bradley, Nandita, Evelyn

5. COGS Updates

- (a) We recently ratified the 2025–2027 contract as dues-paying members of UE Local 896 – COGS. The agreement includes a 3% raise each year, totaling 6% over two years. This is the first time since 2017 that a public-sector union in Iowa has secured more than the state-mandated minimum from the Board of Regents. The new contract goes into effect on July 1, 2025. You can view it here: <https://cogs.org/cogs-faq/contract>.
- (b) COGS dues will be increasing from \$29.24 to \$30. The exact date is still to be determined. Just a reminder: dues-paying members get a free t-shirt.
- (c) COGS is hosting a social gathering this Friday for Pay Day Beers (free beer on the union) – Friday, April 4 at 7pm at Joe’s Place.

6. AWM Updates

- (a) Time management workshop Friday, April 18 at 11 a.m.

7. Comments/Suggestions

- (a)

8. Thank you for attending!