GSA Bill # 10

A bill creating an ad hoc committee on distance representation

**WHEREAS,** the Graduate Student Assembly (GSA) is tasked with representing graduate students in every department and program at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, as per Part 1, Article 1, Section 1 of the GSA bylaws; and

**WHEREAS,** there are graduate and professional students enrolled in departments or programs located outside of Lincoln, as well as in programs that are offered exclusively online; and

**WHEREAS,** the University is expanding its offerings of online-only programs; and

**WHEREAS,** all UNL graduate and professional students, regardless of where they currently reside, can expect representation in GSA; and

**WHEREAS**, the GSA makes many key decisions by vote during assembly meetings, and yet currently does not have adequate procedures to ensure that students can remotely participate in assembly meetings.

**THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED,** that the GSA authorizes the creation of an ad hoc committee to create a list of recommendations for best practices to ensure that off-campus graduate and professional students can participate both as observers and as voting members in GSA assembly meetings.

**THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED**, that this committee be composed of no more than seven members, with one being a member of the Executive Committee, and one being currently enrolled in an online program or in a department located outside of Lincoln.

**THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY ENACTED,** that this committee will submit a list of detailed recommendations for remote participation in GSA meetings to the GSA Executive Committee no later than May 1, 2018.

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