The major topic that was touched during the past senate meeting was that of two resolutions trying to be passed. Both were on whether the president violated two articles of the code when he shut down the five majors and allegedly did not discuss it properly with the Senate. Both were turned down by the senate members.

This same topic was revised and discussed again at the Graduate Academic Council, as was reported by Pavel Terpelets, one of our GSO senators. He reported that at this meeting the opinions were divided, some expressed great concern about the conclusion made by that committee, since it was misrepresented.

On the order hand, at the Governance council meeting the main topic discussed was the future revision of the Senate Handbook since it appears that some parts of this document do not agree with the Faculty Bylaws and the Senate Charter. Part of the documents were carefully revised and discussed by the members of this committee, including myself, and at our next meeting we agree on the proper changes in writing that have to be made.

Also I would like to take the chance to thank all graduate students who have come forward and expressed their interest in being part of a committee and/or council. At this moment all council and committees in which graduate students hold a sit have been filled up. If there is any additional openings in newly stated committees we will let you know, this is specially directed towards those who were interested initially but spots were filled up quickly so did not get the change to be involved.

Thanks for your time.

Sincerely,

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