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WHEREAS ASAP described their efforts to organize and fund charter bus service for graduate and professional students to attend this event both at the February 6th, 2017 GPSA Meeting and the February 9th, 2017 Appropriations Committee Meeting; and

WHEREAS this event is open to all matriculated graduate and professional students on a first come, first-served basis; and

WHEREAS ASAP disseminated a survey for graduate and professional students to reserve a space on the buses that will remain open until March 3rd⁵; and

WHEREAS as of March 6, 2017, 148 graduate and professional students have reserved a seat on one of ASAP's buses, and 4 individuals have been placed on a waitlist; and

WHEREAS ASAP in conjunction with the Graduate School have booked 1 39-passenger bus at \$3,884 and 2 56-passenger buses at \$9,260 (totalling 151 individuals, including a single driver per bus) which can be seen in the attached invoice document; and

WHEREAS the total cost for this reservation is \$13,144; and

WHEREAS the Graduate School is contributing \$3500 to ASAP to help cover the cost; and



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56 **WHEREAS** ASAP has already secured \$3000 through their own fundraising
57 efforts; and

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59 **WHEREAS** ASAP is currently and actively seeking out additional
60 fundraising options, but they are asking the GPSA for assistance in securing
61 funding for the three reserved buses; and

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63 **WHEREAS** as of March 3, 2017 the GPSA holds \$23,430.26 in rollover
64 funds to be utilized for an event or service accessible to all graduate and
65 professional students;

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67 **BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED**, that ASAP will inform the GPSA
68 Appropriations Committee of all fundraising efforts undertaken and how
69 much revenue is generated from these events prior to chartering any buses;

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71 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the GPSA will grant ASAP up to \$5,600
72 to charter three buses to take 148 graduate and professional students, their
73 spouses or partners and/or children (\$37.84/individual) to the March for
74 Science in Washington D.C. on April 22, 2017;

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76 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the external sources of funding will be
77 fully utilized before the GPSA Appropriations Committee funds, and that
78 copies of the receipts from the bus order and a final headcount the day of
79 the event will be provided to the GPSA Appropriations Committee, with the
80 exact number of graduate and professional students, their spouses or
81 partners and/or children noted.

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83 **RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,**

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85 **TYLER MCCANN**

86 **GPSA Appropriations Committee Chair**

1. [Link to March for Science website](#)
2. [Link to ASAP website](#)
3. [Link to March for Science mission](#)
4. [Link to Cornell University's mission](#)
5. [Link to ASAP reservation survey](#)