

Texas A&M University
Graduate and Professional Student Council
General Assembly
2016-2017 Session

**A Resolution renaming the “Multicultural and Diversity Affairs”
Standing Committee to “Diversity & Inclusion” Standing
Committee**

Presented by Alisha Ahamed on September 6, 2016

- Whereas: The Graduate and Professional Student Council exists to govern and to serve as the voice of all graduate and professional students at Texas A&M University
- Whereas: The Texas A&M University’s Diversity Commitment statement emphasizes diversity of background, ethnicity, and perspective
- Whereas: The Texas A&M University’s Department of Residence Life’s commitment statement includes diversity of ability, religious affiliation, veteran status, socioeconomic status, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, age, gender, race or cultural identity
- Whereas: The naming of “Multicultural and Diversity Committee” is not in line with the commitment statement and places undue emphasis on only the cultural aspect of diversity
- And
Whereas: The present committee name also does not capture the work done in bringing this diverse student body together through measures of inclusivity
- Let it be
Resolved: The Graduate and Professional Student Council supports renaming any reference to the “Multicultural and Diversity Affairs Committee” to “Diversity & Inclusion Committee” within changes to the constitution, by-laws, and associated digital content
- Let it be A copy of this resolution shall be posted and delivered to:

Further Resolved: Paul Taele
President of the Graduate and Professional Student Council
Jamie Wangler
Advisor to the Graduate and Professional Student Council
Stefanie Baker
Advisor to the Graduate and Professional Student Council

Action Taken: _____

Certified By: _____

Christian Nygren
Executive Vice President

Date: _____

Duly Approved By: _____

Paul Taele
President