

# End-of-the-Semester Report to the Steering Committee | Spring 2024

## Actions Taken Throughout the Semester

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### January 17, 2024

- Postponed discussion on the Israel-Hamas war (endorsement of the ASMSU resolution?) Members of the agreed to reopen this item for discussion.
  - There was a debate about whether COGS should endorse the ASMSU resolution. Finally, the discussion was called to a close.
  - Vote:
    1. Yes = 42
    2. No = 3
    3. Abstain = 2
  - The discussion on the AMSU resolution endorsement was subjected to a vote.
  - Vote
    1. Yes = 30
    2. No = 14
    3. Abstain = 5

### February 21, 2024

- 24-SS-36: Resolution to provide \$1500 to the In Joy! Gala
  - Request from event leader Gloria Ashalou, to increase the funding amount to \$2000. Amendment to increase the amount from \$1500 to \$2000.
  - Votes
    1. Yes = 37
    2. No = 7
    3. Abstain = 1
- Resolution to give \$2000 to provide to the In Joy! Gala
  - Vote
    1. Yes = 40
    2. No = 4
    3. Abstain = 1
- Call for Michigan State University to divest from the Israeli government.
  - During the discussion, it was agreed that the resolution draft should be brought to the following House Council meeting.
  - Votes
    1. Yes = 37
    2. No = 7
    3. Abstain = 2
- Proposed amendments to the COGS Bylaws

- Parliamentarian Amaniampong briefed the House and asked permission to amend and review the bylaws. The resolution will be discussed during the next council meeting.

**March 13, 2024**

- 24-SS-38: A Resolution to Call for Michigan State University to Divest from Weapons Manufacturers.
  - Amendment of the resolution to make it more specific.
    - Votes:
      1. Yes=35
      2. No=4
      3. Abstain=0
    - Approval of the resolution.
      - Votes:
        1. Yes=33
        2. No=7
        3. Abstain=0
  - 24-SS-39: A Resolution to Approve the WDBM Tax Referendum Language
    - Votes:
      1. Yes= 37
      2. No= 4
      3. Abstain=0
  - 24-SS-40: A Resolution to Approve Recommended Modifications to the COGS Bylaws
    - Votes:
      1. Yes= 39
      2. No= 1
      3. Abstain=0
  - 24-SS-41: A Rebuttal to the Mention of Graduate Students in the Miller & Chevalier Report
    - The resolution was postponed to the next full house Council meeting.
    - Votes:
      1. Yes= 33
      2. No= 0
      3. Abstain=1
  - 24-SS-41: A Resolution to Increase the WDBM Tax
    - Votes:
      1. Yes= 39
      2. No= 1
      3. Abstain=0

- COGS Executive Board Election Results:
  - President—Miles Roberts
  - Vice President for Internal Affairs—Noah Lubben
  - Vice President for External Affairs—Priyanka Kothari
  - Treasurer—Nic Heilman
  - Secretary—Saviour Kitcher

### **April 17, 2024**

- Planned actions:
  - Resolution issuing a rebuttal to the Miller and Chevalier report
  - Confirmation of the COGS appointed positions (Dir. Of Event Planning, Dir. Of Equity and Antidiscrimination, Parliamentarian, Medical School Liaison)

### **Projected Activities for Fall 2024**

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- Fall Welcome Celebration
- COGS Executive Board retreat