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SUB, Amigo Room, 6 – 8 pm

- The Committee discussed the Preamble, Organization, and Legislative articles
- Committee members proposed writing a new preamble that updates the language and more clearly articulates the mission and purpose of GPSA. Keywords to include are: academic, diversity, support, advocacy, rights, education, public services, and fair access to resources
- Committee members discussed what would be included in the Organization article (GPSA name, Objective, and Membership definition)
- Objectives were clarified and combined (previously both goals and objectives appeared at both the Constitutional and Bylaws levels).
- Membership was discussed in terms of how to define GPSA membership. The primary definition is those who have paid the GPSA fee. There is some confusion as to when it is appropriate/ideal to talk about programs vs. departments vs. schools vs. colleges.
- Legislative article – discussion about a preliminary draft
 - o Committee discussed and agreed upon the need for Council Committees, specifically related to issues of financial oversight and continuity of legislation