Graduate Assistant Task Force
Conference Call
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AGENDA

1. Approve Agenda
2. Approve July Meeting Minutes
3. Review Graduate Assistant Salary Information by Campus
4. Parking Lot Issues
   a) If tuition is paid, may need to limit the number of credit hours taken by graduate assistants.
   b) How will universities be compensated for a student who has an assistantship at one university but is taking a course at another institution?
   c) Because salaries tend to grow by inflation, and tuition at a rate of 6 to 7% per year, the stipends paid to graduate teaching assistants may be $0 or negative five years from now.
   d) What GA’s would be included if we use .49FTE or greater found in the proposal?
   e) Should there be a consistent method of billing grants and contracts for tuition remission if we all waive tuition?
   f) Additional information is needed regarding the number of “hybrid” (both TA and RA) graduate assistants.
   g) Legal interpretation of 100% tuition and fee waiver.
   h) Do we want a “pilot” program rather than full implementation?
   i) Does everyone need to do this the same way or could some stick with the current approach?
   j) How will this impact a student’s financial aid?
5. Taxability of Tuition Reduction