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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE  
HORTICULTURAL SCIENCE GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION  
NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY

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- Act as liaison between Departmental Technology Support Specialist and graduate students.
- Assist in the purchasing of new equipment.
- Meet with new students and regarding computer use policy.
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- Responsible for maintaining the mission of the HSGSA Seminar Series to present nationally and internationally renowned speakers to increase the horticultural knowledge of faculty, staff and students within the department, college and university.

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signatures of voting members of the Horticultural Science Graduate Student Association:

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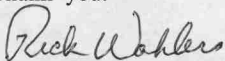
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Memo to HS graduate students:

RE: HSGSA Constitution

Constitution amendments were made and voted on. This is just a note to inform you that we all accepted the changes previously described. If anyone wants a copy of the revised Constitution, please contact me. Thank you.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rick Wahlers". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

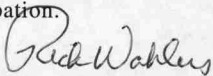
Rick Wahlers, HSGSA President

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RE: Elections for unfilled GSA positions

Rogério Prata was named Secretary-Treasurer and Marianne Pedersen was named Social Chairperson after recent GSA elections.

Thank you for participation.

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