

**GSS Executive Meeting Minutes**  
**10.25.2018**

**Graduate College Update**

**Associate Dean Campo**

- Commencement
- First deposit
- Social Science, Humanities & Arts Fellowship is live
- Updating graduate college website to make important things more visible
- There's going to be an MFA summer fellowship – meetings upcoming
- Associate Dean candidates are going to be here in 2 weeks
  - Opportunity to participate here
- 3MT finals next week

**Membership Update:**

**KaLeigh on behalf of Caroline**

- Updated 2018-2019 membership list using Landon's format
- Essentially, has a google doc with all the names of senators who replied to emails
- Working on how to reach out to DGS' for GSS participation w/o sounding punitive

**State of Committees:**

**KaLeigh and Christian**

- Still no responses from committees regarding chair people
- Might switch from breakout sessions at to reports at GA meetings

**Jakobsen Update:**

**Ryan S.**

- Met for the first time this year
- Theme:
  - Developments
  - Dean Campo: Might sound like we're asking for money
  - Going to revisit this
- What can we do to make this something people want to participate on?
  - Regional, specialized conferences happening simultaneously often take priority for students
  - Market it towards masters' students and early PhD students
- Taking the professional development approach by way of a two-day professional development thing
- May get a bit costlier due to food costs
  - Lyndsey & KaLeigh - Shouldn't be an issue
- Could be a good idea to link the networking with poster session
  - Incentivize with food!
- Senior students could be included as:
  - Judges
  - Panel members
  - Mentors
  - Etc.

- In the next month things are really going to get going:
  - Call for artwork
  - Marketing
  - Call for abstracts
- How to include performing arts?
  - Performances accompanied by Q&A
  - Rethink types of presentations that are eligible?
- Date is March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019

### **Website Review**

**All**

### **Timeline for possible bylaw changes**

**Peter/All**

- Renaming the “Handbook” to something a bit more descriptive
  - Currently contains our constitution and bylaws
- Peter has a running list of things we need to change
  - Going to finalize and send around

### **Social Committee**

**KaLeigh on behalf of Gurjap**

- Tried to set up a social thing at Airliner
- Issue boils down to this:
  - Gurjap wants signing rights for approval to spend money and organize events
  - KaLeigh expressed concerns about this – why should a committee chair have signing rights? Could be a slippery slope.
  - Gurjap pushed back – Social committee spends most of the money so, why shouldn't they have freedom to spend?
  - The same logic could be applied in the reverse direction
  - We would have to change our bylaws to allow for a change to the signing privileges away from just President, VP, and Treasurer
- **Solution:**
  - Detailed how-to document to use to organize events
  - Include a timeline – how long does each step take?
  - Gurjap can help put this together

### **Finalize agenda for Tuesday, October 30<sup>th</sup> meeting**

**All**

- Include 10-15 minutes for Ombudsperson presentation
- Committee reports
- Lyndsey on research grant if Shelley/John doesn't do it
- Presidential report aka “State of the Union”