

GSS Executive Meeting Minutes

9.28.2018

Grad College update:

Dean Keller

- Nomination for associate dean sarah Larson is complete
 - Going through interviews
 - 3 complete
 - 2 more to go
- Arrangements being made to accommodate for Jen Title's health situation
- Excited about the research award that Lyndsey has made lots of progress in
- Moving into a period of relative "quiet"
 - But still pretty busy
 - Just not planning graduation or orientation at the moment

Dean Campo:

- Post Comp Fellowship deadlines were yesterday
- Notifications will be going out to students on the 15th or so
- Examining for potential tweaks to fellowships
 - Increasing number of post comp & Ballard fellowships possibly
 - Making tweaks to some of them
- Moving into 1 deposit system
 - "Defend then deposit"
 - What is the best way to advertise this to GSS?
 - In grad college update or Kaeleigh's?
 - Earlier is always better – if it's done, send it in

Travel Funds update

Lyndsey

- \$48k starting balance
- Some discussion about GPSG funding allotment decreasing next year
- Next deadline is next Friday Oct. 5

Presidential Update

KaLeigh

- We need to be better about utilizing our funds
 - Spend down reserve as well
 - So GPSG allotment doesn't decrease
 - Next year public health might become its own member government
 - 6 degree programs currently represented by Public Health
 - IF this happens there will be less representatives so, we get less money and it goes to Public Health instead
- Interest in serving on GPAC committee?
 - Caroline is!
- International student fee increase from \$75-\$125
 - Gurjap may be writing a resolution
 - Needs some help & support
 - Lyndsey will reach out to Jenny to see if she can help
 - General frustration among Graduate international students b/c of this
 - Andrew Metzger tried to track down where this \$75 fee is going
 - Couldn't get a good answer which makes this issue more frustrating
- GSS "Wrap up" document should be written at the end of this year
 - Shows what we & committees have achieved over the academic year

Jakobsen update:

Ryan S.

- Met with Jen Title

- Has it run its course?
- Its purpose has gotten lost
 - Opportunity to see work outside of your field
 - While also practicing presenting before a large national conference
- Increasing amount of competition
 - Lots of other, smaller conferences on campus
- Update marketing
 - Ryan's background is in marketing
 - Update PR
 - Making it clear what they can get out of Jakobsen in marketing materials
 - Funding awards available!
 - Update the slogan / theme
 - Recently: very creative but very vague
 - Need to bring the focus back to professional development

Concerning Committees:

- Only 27 respondents
- Jakobsen & International student committees need more members
- Assigning first choice and asking for help from those that indicated interest in two committees

Bylaws Update

Peter

- Need to figure out how we appoint to GSEC
- Peter is compiling a list of things that we need to be update
 - One of these is the definition of a department
 - "A department shall be defined by the office of the registrar unless a program petitions for representation" (?)

Membership Update

Caroline

- Hopefully attendance list will serve as a good tool that will help verify new members
- Landon's Membership Audit
 - Tried to define what a "department" was
 - If you can get a degree in it, you're a department?
 - Maybe not the best way to define it due to outsized or undersized representation issues
 - Figured out how many people are in each department
 - Proposed 1 senator per 100 grad students
 - Decided against it because it really shrinks the GSS body
 - Decided on 1 per 50 grad students
 - Going forward
 - Narrowing down the definition of a department
 - "These are the programs that are represented by this senator"
- Tracking hours
 - Meant to keep track with what frequency committee chairs are meeting with their committees outside of general assembly meetings
 - Those that contribute the most hours are awarded at the end of the semester

Finalize agenda for Tuesday, October 4th meeting

All

- Announcements
 - Date to score
 - Date of next travel funds deadline
- COGS speaker on recertification vote 5-10 min
- Moving to 1 deposit system for theses & dissertations – either in grad college update or KaLeigh's update