

## Executive Council Meeting

September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Attendance:

1. Call to Order – 17:03
2. Graduate College Updates
  - a. Hiring search for replacement of Assistant Dean Steve Varga
    - i. Grad student may be able to attend
  - b. Peer-to-peer mentorship program
  - c. Establishing programs that foster reflective teaching practices
    - i. Jen Teitle and Bedlar from Graduate Success working on this
3. Executive Member Updates
  - a. Emese – concluded first cycle of scoring for graduate travel funds
    - i. Gave about \$15000 to students going to conferences and music festivals
    - ii. Want to increase the inclusivity of these grants, need to level the field for performing arts
    - iii. Difficult for performing arts students to apply as public abstract asked
    - iv. Jordan – agrees with Emese that we should level for performing arts students.
      1. However, they suggest that the question should be broadened instead of creating a new application
    - v. Brooke and Emese trying to work on language for this.
    - vi. Kyleakin suggested a general question “ask just a general question of what the applicant is going to present at the conference/festival?”
  - b. Kyleakin – please review the list of resources posted
  - c. Jordan – working on updating the roster
  - d. Stuti – Weekend at Wilson’s sometime soon.
    - i. Work with Social and Service on this
  - e. Mekhla – Vivian (Grad Success Coordinator) reached out and put her in touch with the new coordinator; meeting to follow
4. Executive Dinner
  - a. Karley will send out a when-to-meet survey soon
5. General Assembly Agenda (Zoom)
  - a. UCS will be talking for ~20 minutes
  - b. Go over Engage – for events for chairs
  - c. Crash Course Series – want grad students to show up and learn something from them, like access to nutritionist, rec center, fitness consultant, Koru mindfulness course etc.
    - i. Mekhla – Building resilience among graduate students
    - ii. Stuti – safe house in the IMU
    - iii. Emese – area for grad students with couch to take a breather  
<https://internalmedicineiowa.org/2022/06/20/westlawn-open-wellness-wow-room-open-house/>
    - iv. Maybe gets the benefits office to share resources for adults like insurance, saving, budgeting, taxes (VITA and Tippie)

6. Budget Discussion
  - a. Committees – general discussion and amended some multipliers
  - b. Get executive committee honorariums half-December and half-May
  - c. Collaborate!
7. Logo – Jordan put together new logos to look over. Can't have acronyms
8. Flyer(s) for recruitment – Hannah has been working on that
9. Adjournment – 18:06