Executive Council Meeting

January 29th, 2024

Attendance:

1. Call to Order – 17:04
2. Approve November Minutes – voted and approved!
3. Graduate College Updates – Dean Campo
   a. Associate Dean search this week
   b. Digital Studio Fellowship applications close next Wednesday
   c. Summer Tuition scholarships will also close soon
   d. Summer and post comps fellowships coming soon
   e. T. Anne Cleary Fellowship still has funds so may be allocated to degree related travel from GSS.
   f. Grad-DEI planning many events – watch for announcements
   g. Grad Student Employment committee – contracts for AY/FY 2024-25 will be posted soon.
   h. Dean of Students office for graduation caps and gowns.
   i. CLAS awarded 5 Marcus-Bach Fellowships
   j. Dissertation Writing Fellowship will be handed out tomorrow.
4. Executive Council Member Updates
   a. President: Karley
      i. Seminar Series
      ii. Had our first series last week. Will upload recording soon
      iii. Calendar invites for next ones
      iv. Friday Night Vibes
      v. Late March/early April to hand out awards
   b. Vice President: Mekhla
   c. Treasurer: Soheil
      i. Remaining Budget
         1. Will have about $500 remaining according to the planned events
      ii. Have some GPAC funding
   d. Travel Funds Director: Emese
      i. Gave out funding for Cycle 2
      ii. 52% of funds used ($45,580 left)
      iii. Go on Fiscal year
      iv. International students don’t get the money they apply for as taxes are applied up front. So, debating whether to increase limit or money
      v. Help international students get funds for visas for international conferences
   e. Executive Associate: Stuti
   f. Parliamentarian: Val
   g. Membership Officer: Jordan
      i. Multiple students have had charges pressed against them by UIPD
      ii. Most of them are POC or queer students
iii. Community Relations Person for UIPD: Alton Poole
   https://police.uiowa.edu/people/alton-poole
h. Webmaster: Kyleakin
i. Social Media Manager: Hannah
5. Committee Updates
   a. Teaching – Joey Small
      i. Getting forms ready for Peer observation framework
      ii. Moving major event moving to Fall.
   b. Social and Service
   c. Travel Funds
   d. Jakobsen
      i. Close to finishing registration form. Will put on flyer
      ii. Deadline for submission Feb 23rd
      iii. Get abstracts scored and top abstracts will get a chance to present
      iv. Theme – Broadening Human Knowledge
      v. Award for artwork
      vi. Looking for judges
   e. International Student
      i. First event on Feb 10th – Salsa Night
      ii. Second event on March 9th – Hungarian Dance (Emese)
      iii. Finally on April 26th – Not sure what dance?
6. General Assembly Agenda (In Person - UCC 2520D)
   a. Ombudspersons Office Presentation (~20 Minutes)
   b. e-waste initiative needs a GSS volunteer to work with them.
7. Adjournment – 18:01