GSA Minutes 10/15/2010

Attendance

Katie Amrine Beth Hernandez Kaiqi Hua Joshua Phillips Julie Phillips Kristynn Sullivan

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 10:15am.

Katie – GRC Report

- Demographic statistics
 - Lot of Chinese and Euro-American students
 - Next is Mexican-American/Chicano
- IRB and IACUC support for grad representation
- Faculty lines
 - \circ 5 new
 - Trying to decide on application process (from grad groups to get the line)
 - Only one proposal per grad group and working in collaboration with another group counts as the application for both groups

Kaiqi – CAPRA

- Bylaw 55 in last meeting
- Approval of calendar
- Retirement issues
- Draft proposal on recruitment and retention

Kristynn – UCSA

- Drafting survey to UC grad students
- Several topics covered
- Mostly income and living issues
- Relationship with advisor
- Support systems utilized
- Some work on parking issues

- Additions?
- Lots of campuses have "Bill of Rights" but they are often not enforced (or are unenforceable).

Beth – Outreach

- Meeting with city council member next week
- Get groundwork going this semester for outreach program
- Hit the planning hard next semester
- Community Committees
 - MCAC
 - Citzens advisory committee
- Who should be on these?
- United Way committee would also like to have grad student or GSA assistance
- Beth proposed as a possible permanent committee for Public Affairs Officer
- MCAC people who we know that might be interested, try to contact them.

Julie – Ledger

- \$9290.82 in account currently
- Budget allotments may need to be adjusted and needs to be addressed soon.
- Current travel grants are not taken out and some summer may still be left for unknown reasons

Josh – Secretarial Stuff

- Proposal to change password on Gmail account
- Archive older documents from GSA
- Email policy addressed
- Make sure Secretary sends back acknowledgment for message receipts

Kaiqi - Committee Reports

- Not getting responses from committee appointees
- Need to include line about responding to the appointment.
- Julie assigned to ECEC seat.
- Need to get more representation from each school on Research Week committee
- May need to adapt speaker selection process or at least review how this occurs
- Need to send email to Research Week committee asking for Eric to be included and hopefully having one representative from each school in the future.

Katie – Building Advisory Committee (for CAO (classroom and office))

• Wanted to just use cubicles in a big room

- Addressed need for common meeting space and private space for grad students
- Asking for both new buildings, but may only get one
- New building will have more office and less classroom space compared to current COB

Kaiqi – Committee Seats Left

- Need a TA on TAPS
- Need to fill other committee slots (see email for list)
- Add CAO committee to list as well
- Add lines about what these committees address
- Send out UCSA representative requests separately

Julie - Case on Travel Application Decision

- Review of specific details of grievance case
- Discussed for 30 minutes
- Resolved to vote to approve the applications
- Vote decided and will be sent to applicant over email

.Julie and Beth – Town Hall Meetings

• Going to meet with Karen to ensure that this is reasonable

Katie – Old Business

• Pushed off to next meeting or addressed as resolved

Kristynn – UCSA

- Draft letter
- How do we pay UCSA dues? Need to look into this.
- Travel reimbursement money look at budget and ledger

Katie – NAGPS

• Email from NAGPS recirculation

Kaiqi – Meeing time for the semester

- General 2:00pm-4:00pm in Friday.
- Meeting for GSA Leadership at homes? See if normal hours will work for now.
- Friday Oct. 29 next meeting @ 2:00pm.- location TBA
- Look into Aspen room

Katie – Extra member for GSA

• Sorry that the committee selection didn't make it through in time.

• Until we put in an official seventh member, we will decide on a plan for ties on each vote.

Katie – New Leadership Program

- Remember objectivity
- Try to talk about conflict, maybe a third party
- Ombudsman for GSA or grad in general
- Funding for training for faculty to take these positions in the interim

Meeting adjourned at 12:11pm.

Old Business to discuss at next meeting(s):

- Travel Grant Application and Rubric Julie
- Research Week Rachael
- UCSA Dues & Budget Julie
- Focus Group / Town Hall Meeting Dates Beth and Julie
- Seventh GSA Position Katie
- CatTracks Katie
- NAGPS Katie