

1. Attendance

Kristynn Sullivan
Chelsea Carey
Jason Baumsteiger
Emily Wilson
Katie Amrine
Alisa Keyser
Rachael Martin

Absent:

Janelle Szary

2. Approval of Minutes

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3. Officer Reports (32:00)

3.1. Campus Affairs; *Kristynn* (4:00)

3.1.1. President's report

Waiting for approval from GRC or for them to post their minutes. .

3.1.2. President's Council

System-wide retreat last weekend. Kristynn called in. Each body went over their make-up, their funding model, and their structure for GSAs. We can use this in the talk of our strategic plan. They talked about how they want to be different from UCSA, but Kristynn needs to check the minutes for detail. They are trying to have a voice like UCSA, but they will focus on more internal issues that happen across campuses.

3.2. Internal Affairs; *Janelle* (4:00) – **Absent**

3.2.1 SFAC.

3.3. External Affairs; *Chelsea* (4:00)

3.3.1. UCSA

Drafted a response to HR35 issues and it basically says that they are sorry that the persons had a problem with the condemnation of it, but they weren't changing their response.

3.4. Academic Affairs; *Jason* (4:00)

3.4.1. CAPRA

Reading briefs (not so important to grad students). Political science is saying that it is interdisciplinary but this concept is not consistent throughout the document. They justify that it is interdisciplinary within political science. CAPRA is deciding if it is their place to say something.

3.4.2. Ombuds advisory

No meeting. Only will contact when issues arise for now.

3.5. Public Affairs; *Emily* (4:00)

Supposed to make a list of opportunities for graduate students. Emily is trying out the different things to see if they are useful for graduate students. Working on the Girl Scouts project, and their goal is to get undergraduate women involved in leadership.

3.6. Treasurer; *Alisa* (4:00)

3.6.1. Ledger

Got with Cindy and Connie on Friday to understand our money and how it works. Trying to get things coded. We'd have to do it each year though. So we now need to do

our own ledger, and Alisa is going to set it up. Right now we have 10,262.98. We need to figure out what is supposed to be our savings and everything. We are not allocated actual enrollment until July 18th of the next year. So we need to make sure we aren't spending more than we actually have, but Alisa is going to keep track of it.

Less than \$900 given to students for summer funding. Kristynn and Alisa and Katie met together to do it. Rejection/Acceptance sent today.

3.7. Secretary; *Katie* (4:00)

Fixed the stuff on the website to reflect current status. Katie is going to start working on the newsletter. Would like business stuff next Monday from officers. Student grievance is still being worked on, Kristynn is still keeping track of it. The student doesn't have an advisor, so UAW is working with him. This student missed TA training, and this may be an issue we could take up. Are international students missing TA trainings because of Visa issues?

3.8. Graduate Support; *Rachael* (4:00)

Have a workshop on how to effectively communicate with your advisor. Chris Kello did it last year, and is doing it again this year. Alisa comments that it would be nice to have a recently graduated student, like a post doc, to show that they had achieved a successful relationship.

Rachael gave Charles a proposal to organize a campus-wide graduate support services retreat. All schools, all units that have a hand in graduate student support would be invited to plan for the new growth model for graduate students. Hoping to get it scheduled for early December. If prop 30 doesn't/does pass, a discussion needs to happen. It would be a one-day 3 hour catered thing or something similar.

4. Committee Reports; *Jason/Katie* (8:00)

4.1. Progress on people using and returning forms from committee meetings

4.2. University Advisory Boards: TAPS, Heath Care, Info Tech, Web Portal, Student Affairs, Bookstore, Dining, Student Recreation, Graduation, ECEC

4.3. University Wide: University Conduct, Research Week, WASC Steering, Commission on Women, Referendum Fees, Student Fee Advisory, Course & Miscellaneous Fee, Capital Planning, Chancellors Sustainability, University Budget

4.4. Academic Senate: Academic Personnel, Committee On Committees, Privilege and tenure, Rules and Elections, Undergraduate Council.

5. Old Business

5.1. Summer funding for grad students (20:00)

Doesn't seem like anything is happening. Chris Kello has responded that grad div has given large amounts of money to each grad group. There is no accountability for the money, grad groups can decide what to do with it. USAP money can be used to pay graduate student TA appointments. Could make more TA lines, NRTs or create staff support for graduate students. But it could be used for non-grad student support. Chris says there is no need for accountability. Summer funding is gone, and lots of schools don't have funding on other campuses, so Chris says that it isn't necessary.

(3) We want accountability from grad groups, (2) set of goals for this money, (1) response to the goals set forth by the Chancellor. (4) Transparency and Consistency, Timely communication regarding funding models, Resolution or memo. Send to Chris Kello, Grad group chairs, Chancellor, Sam Traina, Deans. Lets get statistics on what our school does. Lets get statistics on other schools and how their funding models work. Should we set up a meeting with the chancellor first? Should we set up a meeting with the chancellor after we send the letter? GSA says that we really want a formal response and the whole university to know. Katie motions that we have a formal letter, Alisa seconds, no one disagrees. We will write a formal letter.

There are no statistics on retention. Lets ask for this.

USAP money allocated on other campuses? What about internal fellowships? (Katie) Where is it going. How many jr faculty on other campuses? (Kristynn) Unemployment (community data? - Emily) How are GSR's and TAs allocated (Alisa)? What does USAP money say? How many students take out loans? It will affect different students in different schools differently. Write the body (Jason). Pieces together from everyone by Monday. We have to let the grad population know what's going on. This letter will go to students as well.

5.2. Money raising strategies (10:00)

5.3.

6. New Business

6.1. Travel Grant approval (5:00)

6.2. Strategic plan/ Goals for this year (30:00)

Trying to re-invent the wheel. Lets come up with a strategic plan. Give it a scope so things can be plugged in. People's money tends to come from auxiliary operations more than from student fees on other campuses. We could put a time-frame plan on it. 1-5 year plans. Lets get groups to do things and then get together.

6.3.

7. Next Meeting – **Every other Monday, 9:30-11:30 -- November 19th**