GSA Delegate Assembly Meeting Notes

September 9th, 2021

1:00-2:00pm

Zoom

Members in attendance:

- Aislinn Beam (IVP)
- Saima Aktar Sumaiya (Mechanical Engineering)
- Abigail Bolter (Psychological Sciences)
- Deepika Gunasekaran (Quantitative and Systems Biology)
- Deserte Weeks (Management of Complex Systems)
- Jay Colond (Sociology)
- Maryam Khazaei (Electrical Engineering and Computer Science)
- Radoslav Vuchkov (Applied Mathematics)
- Shaina Sta. Cruz (Public Health)
- Tony Hua (Economics and Business Management)
- Yulissa Perez Rojas (Environmental Systems)
- Ariell Smith (Materials and Biomaterials Science)
- Jordan Collignon (President)
- Reminder about up-coming GSA election and nomination
- DA chair
 - ✓ Will be elected after the GSA election
 - ✓ Email <u>Aislinn</u> or <u>Adam</u> to know about roles and responsibilities of this position
- Reminder about monthly GSA general meetings
 - ✓ Not mandatory for DA members to attend
 - ✓ September 21st, 4-5pm
 - ✓ October 19th, 4-5pm
 - ✓ November 16th, 4-5pm

- Vote on Budget
 - ✓ Approved by 11 votes
 - ✓ Yea: 11, Nay: 0, Abstain: 0
- New role for DA members
 - ✓ A trial run for each DA member to serve in a committee this academic year
 - ✓ Vote on this trial run will be held during next DA meeting (10/14/2021)
 - ✓ It is expected to be put in by laws during next academic year
 - ✓ Any committee related to UC Merced or Merced County would count
 - ✓ At present, no single list of all the committees exists
 - ✓ If you are currently serving in a committee, let <u>Aislinn</u> or <u>Jordan</u> know about that
- Discussion about GSA members getting paid
 - ✓ Current not paid as budget does not allow
- Updates
 - ✓ QSB department is in the process of electing 2^{nd} delegate from the department
 - ✓ UAW referendum upcoming in October
 - ✓ Public Health department conducted survey among students regarding concern about in person vs. virtual learning.
- Questions, comments, concerns?
 - ✓ Concern about access to computers for GIS labs

Jordan will discuss with Dean Chris Kello about the issue

Aislinn will bring the issue to EC