April 7, 2014 GSC Board Meeting Minutes

Agenda 4-7-14
Attending: Juan, Lisa, Rachel, Katie, Sean, Jim Moore, Alex, Tash, Walter, Marc, and Joanna.

Meeting Start Time: 4:08

The weather is great for our meeting. Katie thinks it's gross. Walter thinks it's perfect.

Agenda has been approved.

-Forms
  You need to fill out a form if you have a key for the GSC. Talk to Rachel after the meeting. If you would ever like to host a First Friday, you need to host a First Friday. We need to have a host for every First Friday. We need to do this several weeks in advance of each first Friday.

-Treasure Election
  Erik is currently the acting treasurer for the GSA. He is the only candidate running. We will not be an anonymously voting. Brief discussion on how great Erik is. Concern is raised about one person having too much power. People trust Erik, he has been great. Something to keep an eye on for future candidates. He is voted treasurer, uncontested.

-Strike Policy Subcommittee
  There was a strike last week. We have historically been apolitical organization. We historically don't support activism, but we also do not want to be insensitive to grad student needs. The purpose of this organization is simply to be supportive as many graduate students from across the University as possible.

  Erik, Katie, Alex, Jim, Lisa, and Rachel have all volunteered to be on the strike sub-committee to discuss and orchestrate a policy for the GSC on how to behave.

  Rachel asked for comments about staffing during the strike. Brief discussion on how access is important. It is also important for staff to feel comfortable on whether or not they should cross the picket line.

-GSA Travel Grants
  GSA rep could not make it. Erik will make sure someone comes to the next meeting.

-Volunteers for Symposium
  Katie asks for volunteers. Let Katie and/or Rachel know if you would like to volunteer by May 1st.

-E-board Report
  Meetings have been 1st Monday of the month. Except the last meeting. That will be decided by doodle poll because we will have voting.
  There are speeches. Some questions. There is some discussion. Need to know by the June meeting. No term limits.

  Walter has been given the OK to graduate in June, so he will need to be less involved in the GSC this quarter. He will still be around this quarter, but we need someone to take minutes at the next board meetings and a new Social Committee Chair/Co-Chair. Sean, Rita and Tash interested in taking over.

-Social Report
  We had ~140 people showed up at First Friday. We had a fair number of beers.
  There has always been an informal drink policy of 2 drinks. Erik likes having this informal policy, but not too Social committee needs to come up with a recommendation on this.
Bartenders mark on wristbands every time.
Overall, the First Friday was awesome.
Katie says Brixie is awesome
The next First Friday is 5/2.
April 25th is an alumni Happy Hour.
Grad Div./Jim is having an alumni event.
There is now no more brunch, but there is the awesome happy hour.
There is a game night.
There is a karaoke night.

-Finance Report
Erik gives report.
- Word on the street is SFAC has granted us a bunch of money. ~$40,000. This pushes off bankruptcy for at least 2-3 years. This is great news! We should work on having a student fee referendum in a year or two. Also would like to request a budget from the social committee.
-Funding request for the non-denominational tree: Erik is requesting/asking $100. Motion approved. Seconded. Approved.
-Funding request: $60 for grad IM soccer team. They have 8 people so far: 5/3 male/female ratio. Typically have done this in the past.
Are they all grad students?
Is this team all inclusive?
Joanna suggests that we make sure that they send out an e-mail inviting all grad students?
Motion to fund the IM soccer team the full $60 as long as they send out an e-mail inviting all graduate students to participate.

-Facility Report
We are famous. We are on page 5 of the newsletter spotlight on PowerSave Slugs. We are also working on getting Green Business Certified. We would be considered a "Business", even though we are not technically a business.
Motion to move forward with a free audit. Motion seconded. Motion approved.
Working on the new facilities documents. Will be ready by the next meeting.

-Dalia =)
Couldn't make it.
Happy hour on 4/25. Dalia will probably need help. Help her out.

Meeting End time: 5:00PM.