GSC Governing Board Mtg.

January 11th 2022 / 4:30 - 5:30 PM / Graduate Student Commons via Zoom

Attendees

Ryan Van Haren, Claudia Castaneda, Harrison Shieh, Peter Biehl, Kevin Lunzalu, Dori Weiler, Rachel Neuman

Zoom Considerations

1. Please mute your mic when not speaking.
   ○ Press and hold the spacebar to temporarily unmute.

2. Voting mechanism
   ○ Motion will be typed into chat, voting members will type “yay” “nay” or “abstain” to vote.

Agenda

3. Motion to approve executive board meeting minutes

4. Motion to approve this meeting’s agenda

5. Vote in new voting members: Must attend (2) GSCGB meetings + meet stipulations of a committee of interest (programming, outreach, finance) to receive $100

6. President:
   ○ Vice President/Outreach Chair executive board position is open
   ○ Qualifying GSC member stipends
     ■ Forms confirmed signed, should have received stipend

7. Programming:
   ○ Upcoming events- Winter 2022
     ■ Confirmed events
       ● Grad womens & men’s groups continuing
       ● Remy Franklin coming back on Tuesdays (co-sponsored with GradDiv, who is paying for catering)
         ○ Very popular and well attended
       ● No more international writing together
       ● Jan 13 Beginner Yoga for Queer Bodies moved online
       ● Additional events offered by UCSC Adventure Programs → we will be promoting these in newsletter (registration opening Jan 11)

   ○ Events to plan
     ■ Winter quarter social event- First Friday for Feb (Gather.town) → planning meeting next week
       ● Up to 25 attendees for free, undergrad staff can design the space
Planning meetings this week
  ● Global Engagement Programming collaborations (Tuesday)
    ○ Meeting with Lisa and Andy from the Global Engagement Program
    ○ IDs international grad student needs
    ○ Encouraged them to lead workshops on maintaining employment visas and navigating immigration issues
    ○ Most grads know International and Student Scholar Services but the Global Engagement does much more— connecting directly with ISSS, which works more directly with visa requirements
  ● Investment and financial planning workshop (Friday)
  ● Grad writing initiatives (Wednesday)
  ● Grad wellness programming (Wednesday)
  ● Speaking together workshop(s): public speaking/ research storytelling workshop(s) in prep for Grad Slam (Jan 28)

Graduate Student Wellness Week (Mid-quarter): Week-long themed event. Partnership with the The AAPI Resource Center and CAPS (Counseling and Psychological Services).

Public speaking/ storytelling workshops

8. Treasurer:
  ○ Overview of the Budget
  ○ SFAC funding proposal applications deadline was January 10th at 11:59 pm.
  ○ SFAC Proposals
    ● OMNI Lock
      ○ ~ $18,000 to replace
        ▪ Hold off for now
    ● Boiler Replacement
      ○ High priority- recommended to replace 2-3 yrs ago
      ○ ~ $500,000
      ○ ~ $350,000 in plant reserve
      ○ Deadline to spend is within one year of the award
    ● Peer Mentorship
      ○ Requested Funding Amount: $54,500
      ○ GSC support $4,500
      ○ Funding for stipends for mentors
      ○ Inspired by HSI Research Apprenticeship Program ($2500 stipend)
      ○ We need to develop expectations for peer mentors
        ▪ Mentor Training
        ▪ Mentor/Mentee Workshop/Boot camps for incoming grads
Office hours
One-on-one mentorship
Propose the peer mentor program as a Model not Pilot
Financial support from other areas
Joint programming/treasury committee meeting for new event planning using equity and mental health funding. Please let us know when you are available: when2meet
   ■ Equity in Mental Health Funding link

9. Vice President & Outreach:
   ○ Updates to Events Website
   ○ GSC Associates Google Group
      ■ Wipe associates list of old members
      ■ Put a link to the associates list in the newsletter
   ○ Emailed list to ask if members still want to be involved
      ■ Twitter?
      ■ Slack?
      ■ Take photos from events
      ■ Ask guests to submit photos from events for use
         ● Photo submission raffle to encourage engagement?

10. GradDiv announcements
   ○ Reach out to GSA about representation on task force for inclusive excellence on graduate education
   ○ New associate dean of graduate studies, Donald Smith (was previously a non-voting member of GSC Governing Board) starting Feb 5

11. Building Updates:
   ○ Closed for covid closure
      ■ Still open for 24 hour access
   ○ Tenant Lease Negotiations still in progress
      ■ Moving in a positive direction

12. GradLab Updates:
   ○ Open call for GSC reps
   ○ GradLab received request for funding
      ■ (In)Constant Companions: Anthropology Graduate Student Conference
      ■ Ryan will consider, Kevin is willing to join gradlab

13. Other announcements:
   ○ GSC presents at Grad Advisors Group meeting Jan. 20
      ■ Rachel, Dori and Kevin representing
- Highlight the importance of representation at the GSC - opportunities for students to both get funding and have professional development/ networking/ leadership opportunities
- Introduce peer mentorship program
- Ask exactly what communication protocols would be best
  - Vacation Request
  - Rachel vacation 22nd through 29th

**Next Meeting**

**Governing Board:** Tuesday February 8th, 4:30-5:30 PM

**Executive Board:** Tuesday February 1st, 4:30-5:30 PM