Graduate Student Association Meeting Minutes February 20, 2012

I. Executive Officer Reports
   a. President
      i. Appointment of representative to ASCSM
         1. The new EB rep will take this position
      ii. Interest in GSA Executive officer positions for 2012-2013 (discussion tonight)
      iii. Spring Family Assistance Grant Applications
         1. No
   b. Vice-President
      i. CEER Update
         1. 13 participants
         2. 137 presenters
         3. 55 judges
      ii. Please encourage students to participate, you can edit your abstract through March 10
   c. Academic Chair
      i. Workshop on LyX was successful
      ii. Discussion on bylaw changes
         1. Look at the updated version
         2. Add NAGPS-elected CSM students as non-voting reps to council
         3. Keep Vice President, Academic Chair, and Social Chair election in the spring. President and Treasurer will change to the fall.
   d. Treasurer
      i. Updated FY12 Budget
         1. Revised version, only half of the ASCSM budget was included in the previous version (actual of $77,022.98 versus the projected $38,739.31)
      ii. Discussion on funding position for remainder of year
         1. The graduate continuance fellowship budget
      iii. Anticipated changes in budget for FY13
         1. ASCSM allocation will drop from 35% to 25% next year
         2. Fee increase of $3 will occur next year
         3. Lecture grants not as well used as anticipated
         4. Department social events are not being used as anticipated
      iv. Discussion
         1. Departmental social events: will likely pull from discretionary funds if more than 3 departments request allocation
         2. 70% of budget 3 years ago was for social events
         3. Denise will put effort towards planning a social event during CEER
   e. Social Chairs
   f. Advisor Report

II. Department Representative Reports

III. Committee Reports
   a. Sustainability – Ross Wyeno
      i. Making campus more green: light bulbs, etc.
      ii. Rocky Mountain Sustainability Summit (bi-annual event) hosted by DU
1. DU will no longer host; CU has turned down the offer to host; would GSA like to host the Summit?
   a. GSA would give funding and provide volunteers
   b. Have this be a part of CEER in Spring 2013
2. Typically 200 people attending; max was 400 people one year
3. Looking for support from GSA and the CSM community
4. The Summit would be whatever CSM wanted it to be
5. Sustainability committee was supportive of this venture
6. Two undergraduate positions on sustainability committee to be dedicated to this
7. This would require a large effort from the GSA person that sits on the sustainability committee
8. Asked RMSS what support they can offer
9. Setup and effort would be complimentary to current CEER efforts
   a. Symbiotic with CEER
10. Previously it was workshop oriented with overlapping sessions
11. Is there any interest from GSA in funding?
    a. Roughly thumbs up support
12. If there is someone interested in the sustainability representative position please contact Ross
b. Parking – Michelle
   i. No parking garage
   ii. When the light rail opens, freshman will not be allowed to bring a car to campus
   iii. Set up a ‘Mines Bus’ like the Buff bus that will transport students
   iv. Graduate students purchasing spots is up to the Faculty Senate
   v. Parking will be putting out daily reports of what spots are open; should go online in the next month
   vi. Encouraging students to park in Mines Park
   vii. Discussion on adding a gravel lot up by the survey fields
   viii. There is a gravel lot up by the Johnson (??) apartments
   ix. Perhaps have a job exemption form
   x. Ask parking services (Anne) to attend a GSA meeting
   xi. Requested a budget from parking services
   xii. Justification of new computer system

IV. Old Business
   a. Need every council member to volunteer hours for CEER
   b. Enter Data; Q/A booths
   c. Volunteer: Noa Cueve, Mattie Albert, Mike Morse, Karyn, Evan, Ishan
   d. Check with EHS for barcode readers (for judges using papers)

V. New Business
   a. Approval of FY12 budget updates
      i. Motion to approve revised budget, seconded, carries unanimously
      ii. Forging and forming class thanks you for approving the Hinkel trip