GSA Council Meeting Minutes for Sept. 3 and 17, 2012

Introduction and Roll Call

- **Exec. Officers** Cici introduced the GSA executive Council. Cici explained she coordinates a lot of the grant programs. Michael Young (Academic Chair) works mostly with the thesis submission template put forth by Erich Hoover. Amanda and Bebe are the social chairs, work with the different social events.
- **Dept. Reps** GSA council representatives introduced themselves. Michele expressed interest the GEM program.

Exec. Officer Reports

- **President** GSA meetings will be held on every 1st and 3rd Monday of the month. Will get an e-mail reminder for every GSA meeting.
- **Bylaws** Available on website. Cici read the bylaw excerpts from the GSA website to council. All students that are full-time or part-time are automatically a member of GSA.
- **Explanation of Dept. Rep responsibilities** Caryn voiced that attendance under B and C articles are redundant. Cici explained that departments across campus all operate differently, and the GSA meetings are a great place to discuss how other departments operate. Evan Kias uses the departmental e-mail for the grad students to garner participation and input from other grad students in his dept. Kias further mentioned you can send e-mails through the department administrators to get emails distributed.
- **JOA** Cici informed council that GSA broke off from ASCSM (now UGS) 2 years ago, because our needs are different than the undergraduate needs. There is a JOA for issues administration needs us to pass jointly.
- **GSA Grants** Cici copied and pasted grant information from the website
  1. GCF
  2. Lecture Series Grant: Not as well utilized as we’d hope. Intended for departments who do not have a well-funded colloquium. Can get the grant, especially if the topic of discussion spans multiple disciplines.
  3. Travel (attendee, presenter, undergrad)
  4. Family Assistance Grant
- **GSA Events & Programs**
  1. CEER
  2. Grad Experience Mentoring Program
  3. Academic Workshops
  4. Social Events
- **VP**
- **Academic Chair**
- **Social Chairs**

Dept. Rep. Reports
Committee Reports  Alan Turing computer scientist, showing a movie.  Good movie and fun event.  Spread the word. Thursday 4 p.m.  Caryn asked for an e-mail about the showing.

New Business-None

Announcements

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Shawn spoke about GEM: benefits of program (coffee week) and other social events

Mark spoke about CEER, encouraging participation

Academic workshops: Michael Young explains the LyX interface.  LaTeX editor for thesis formatting.

Bebe: explains the social events, fall BBQ to meet other grad students, will have one in the Spring.  Potentially Art museum and cooking class

Cici: GCF.  Masood, Bethany and Grant Hudish were awarded the GCF fellowships for this year.

Mark: spoke about the CCHE initiative

Michael Young: will hold LyX workshop. Either 26\textsuperscript{th} of Sept, 2012 will have lunch, or 3\textsuperscript{rd} of October, 2012.  \textbf{Oct 3, 2012 confirmed.}

Nikko: discussing the budget.  No approval necessary, what is shown is from May 2012.  Spring student fee shown is the estimate.  Presenter grants allocations were increased because we ran out in April of last year. New line item is the GEM.  ASCSM allocation dropped to 25\% from 35\%.  Caryn asking about budget items, mostly social events and department events.

Dept. Report: Mike Riederer on NREL, Coors, CoorsTEK.  Asking for connections to any of the above. Would like for the tour to be more academic.  Adam Richmond voiced that NREL cannot have any international students.  Mike mentioned he will have the tour open to other departments.

Cici: Committee Appointments.  GSA department representatives volunteered for the following committees:

1. Technology Fee Committee  
   a. Doug Hakkarinen  
   b. Ben Petri  
2. Calendar Committee  
   a. Joe Capriotti  
3. Undergraduate Student Affairs Committee  
   a. Adam Richmond  
4. President’s Committee on Diversity  
   a. Joe Carr  
   b. Kevin McCann  
5. Parking Advisory Committee  
   a. Nick Van Gundy  
6. Student Health Benefit Plane (SHBP) Appeals Committee
a. Mike Riederer
b. Caryn Homsher
7. Sustainability Committee
   a. Rodrigo Prugue
8. Non-voting Graduate Council of Faculty Senate
   a. Michele Wiechman
9. Non-voting Research Council of Faculty Senate
   a. Evan Kias
10. Non-voting Student Senate of USG
    a. Eric Threet
11. CEER Committee
    a. Amy Morrissey
12. Classroom Committee
    a. Jeremy Washington
14. Colorado GSA Committee: None

Was agreed upon that Shawn Kimmel will be full-time GEM coordinator, and will not have to take a committee assignment.

ILL: Resolution. GSA has always provided funding to the library for ILL. Sometimes the library has to pay for the article. Over the past 4 years, asked us to bring their funds up to $2250. Last year they spent ~$1600, and they’re asking us to replenish the funds. Pay $1,621 for the ILL allocation. Adam Richmond asked about the ILL system going down and wanders about an association to the amount. Cici said No, that it all depends on how many graduate students request papers and how many need to be paid for. Nikko explained that fund allocations were budgeted for on the miscellaneous expense. Unanimously passed.

Special Announcement by Amar: Entrepreneurship club is a group to foster and encourage the issue. Will bring in outside professionals to come and speak. Have representatives spread the word about the organization. Wants to bring in diversity and wants to expand the member base beyond business and economics majors. Have had a patent lawyer speak already. Alumni Association will work with the entrepreneurship club in the spring trying to bring in alumni. Meets every other Monday at noon, and usually provides food.