Graduate Student Government, Colorado School of Mines

Nov 18, 2013 Meeting Agenda

I. Executive Officer Reports
   a. President
      i. CSM Strategic Plan – On GSG Website
         Currently on the homepage of the website. The deadline is Dec. 6th to give feedback. Faculty senate was interested in getting grad student feedback on the strategic plan
      ii. Proposal/Grant Workshop Review
          Very successful. Close to 80 people in attendance. It was well attended for being the first one.
      iii. LinkedIn/AlphaGraphics Workshop Review
           Late notice. Still had good turnout with over 100 people. Tried to catch the most people possible
           Taylor – better communication with the email
      iv. Thesis Template Employee via The Writing Center
          We have identified an employee. Currently we are planning to push that out in the first week of January (hopefully). There are no roadblocks as of now.
      v. Kun Wang – President of International Student Council (ISC)
          We want to increase communication across departments. Invited the president of the ISC to give us an idea of what they do.
          Kun Wang – The ISC is a cultural organization. The goal is to unite all of the international students. They want to enhance communication between international students and American students. The reach out in similar ways that the GSG does such as the student orientation and camping events. They have International student day. This is a way to bring the students together.
          Movie night idea and presentations about different countries around the world. We have over 77 countries represented. They want to increase participation in E-days. Collaboration with the GSG on dealing with the dental issues that have arisen.
          Mark – Very happy with what the ISC has done and looks forward to working with them
   b. Vice President
      i. CEER Website Update: Registration Opening Soon
         Emailed Erich and the website should be up and running soon.
      ii. NAGPS National Conference Review
          Good conference. Learned best practices
   c. Academic Chair
      Call in with the western region and the western regional will not be over E-days. They are looking at bringing more schools into the western region. We are also considering hosting the western regional there.
      i. Meeting with Dr. Graves, Dr. Dean, and Dr. Moore for Lecture-Specific Calendar
Mostly positive reviews. Some additions added such as the lecturer name and their respective organization.

d. Treasurer

e. Social Chair
	i. Evan Kias – Mtn. Toad???
     Between Mt. Toad and Bottle and Barrels. Unfortunately Mt. Toad is not good for the social (100 less than needed). Blue canyon is our mostly likely option. We would just need to pay for food. Looking at either this Friday or before school ends. Maybe 5th of December. During happy hour (4 – 7).
	ii. Cinnamon Roll Day planned for Dead Day(Fri, Dec. 6, 2013)
     Usually have it on Dead day. Unfortunately, café 13 has switched managers since the last dead day.

f. Advisor Report

II. Department Representative Reports

III. Committee Reports

IV. Old Business

V. New Business
a. Cooking Classes via the Gourmet Spoon a Success
     Very successful. Filled up both days that the emails were sent. May offer a series next year. They have ethnic specific and topic specific that would be possible.
b. Holiday Food Drive: Castle of Cans
     Would it be a good idea to do a can drive? Yes. Will look into options
c. Nominations for (a) Treasurer, and (b) Social Chair
     Nominations are open and will be open for 2 weeks.
     Nick nominates Sam for Treasurer
     Bebe nominates Mike for social chair
d. Discussion on New Initiatives
     Sent out an email after our last meeting in order to get new ideas for our new initiative capital
     Ben Goertz – Communication fits in well with our current goal of our unifying calendar.
     Mark – Regarding the option of increasing professional development, we could print business cards for grad students if they are interested in them. General approval by council
     Ben Goertz – look at the legal issues with business cards
     Amy – There is a need for professional headshots.
     Mark – Career days would be a good idea for professional pictures
     JK – Teaching would be a good investment
     Mike – There is a committee on teaching on campus
     Shawn – Got some feedback from students wanting teaching experience. Look at other schools to see what type of models exist.
     Brian Zaharatos - Applied Math and Statistics has GTFs
     Mark – we can put some resources online and see where it goes
     Mark – right now is a great time if we want to create a grad student lounge. We need to put funds toward this if we are interested to show them that we are interested in it. This is something that is pretty far in the future.
Taylor – Initially opposed to this idea, but has changed his mind. This would be a good idea for networking and it seems that there is a need for this across campus. Mark – Improve OGS relations or streamline some of the processes such as the thesis approval. Shawn – Computer infrastructure/Check status of approvals in real time.

VI. Announcements

Next Meeting: December 2, 2013 at 5:00 PM, Hill Hall 300