

Reminders

- Department Representatives: Take TGIO flyers to your department
- End of the year Reports due by Friday. E-mail your report to Scott even if you e-mailed Hayley already.

General meeting

- 1. President call to order
- 2. Roll call by Secretary
 - o Quorum Yes
- 3. Review and approval of meeting minutes from April 20th, 2015
 - o Motion to Approve Minutes from April 20th, 2015: Laura Bartock
 - o Second: Rick Joseph
 - o Unanimously approved

New Business

- 1. Final Budget Updates (Allison)
 - o The budget is not finalized. There are still some expenses pending, such as the TGIO purchases. We have tentative numbers and it seems like the budget was mostly spent as planned.
 - o Social Committee has enough money to cover the last event of the year this Friday, Professional Development had some funds left (already re-allocated into the general fund), Grants & Awards has \$660 left, Speakers has \$650 left. Grants & Awards committed to contribute to International.

- o Motion to move \$225 from Grants and Awards to International
 - Motion to move \$225 from Grants and Awards to International: Allison Oakes
 - 2. Second: Laura Bartock
 - 3. Unanimously approved
- o There is still about \$1110 left. Some options to use these funds are:
 - 1. Donation to Nepal Relief (Smriti and Kritika)
 - Nepal Earthquake relief: there is food scarcity, water scarcity, sanitation, etc from people living in camps. Houses collapsed and those that did not, cannot be safely inhabited
 - 2. They want a major focus on sanitation and there is a possibility to work with a single person who wants to focus on this, but there are limitations in donating to a non-associated organization
 - 3. Donation or help in having a fundraiser
 - 4. Stacey Mack: No official organization? That is a problem. Kritika: there is no organization, direct access to help.
 - Scott: A donation does not go in direct benefit of the students, for which may not be possible.
 - 6. We would be more than willing to have Smriti and Kritika collect donations individually at the TGIO.
 - 2. Graduation Caps and Gowns (Allison)
 - 1. We could buy for students to borrow
 - 2. Scott: We can explore getting people to donate them and have GSA facilitate the exchange
 - 3. Free of charge use and reuse
- 2. Updates from USA
 - o New executives discussed
 - 1. Margaret Foley, incoming USA President, wants to work closely with GSA in the future, events.
 - 2. Retreat to understand issues that affect USA and GSA, Similar with SU Student Administration, have a common voice

3. Budget Allocation

- o Motion to allocate \$314.40 for the GSA Retreat
- 1. Motion to allocate \$314.40 for the GSA Retreat: Natasha Kakorovski
- 2. Second: Laura Bartock
- 3. Unanimously approved
 - o Motion to move \$340 from the Speakers Committee to G&A:
- 1. Motion: Laura Bartock
- 2. Second: Stacey Mack
- 3. Unanimously approved

4. TGIO (Eileen Leon)

- o This Friday, May 1st, 3-7pm at Clark Reservation Park
- o Driver: Can anyone drive a school car? We will have two cars, Yunyun will drive one and we need someone to drive the other one, it's an SUV. Ideally leave around 3:30-3:45, but you can also leave later and come back earlier at your convenience.
- o Volunteers: Help with setting up, cleaning up. E-mail me if you can be there early 3:30pm or help carrying stuff there. I may e-mail some of you to shame you into helping. Take drinks and coolers, take stuff from Trailhead, games, shop ice on the way there, etc.
- o Trash: all the trash needs to be brought back with us. I will buy trash bags, the ones with odor control, but please help keeping trash under control and bringing everything back (cans or bottles, etc)
- 5. Recognition and passing onto 2015-16 Senate
- 6. Appointing Orientation Committee Chair
 - o Motion to appoint Colin Bragg (incoming Social VP) as Chair of the Orientation Committee: Natasha Kakoroski
 - o Second: Sarita Bassil
 - Unanimously approved

7. Approve Orientation Budget:

o Motion to approve \$300 from 2015-16 Senate General Fund to Orientation week activities: Colin Bragg

o Second: Natasha Kacoroski

o Unanimously approved

8. Adjourn the Meeting

o Motion to Adjourn the Meeting: Natasha Kakoroski

o Second: Rick Joseph

o Unanimously Approved

Attendance

GSA Senate

Scott Bergey President
 Jonathan Masih Das VP Grants and Awards (Absent with a Proxy)
 Yunyun Bi VP of International Activities

4. Alex Poisson VP of Speakers and Presentations
 5. Stacey Mack VP of Professional Development

6. Eileen Leon VP of Social Activities7. Ely Margolis VP of Communications

8. Allison Oakes Treasurer

9. Eugene Law10. Zach LaFaverBOT RepresentativeUSA Representative

11. Keshav Sauba Syracuse GSO Representative
 12. Becky Meissner Syracuse GSO Representative
 13. Sarita Bassil Syracuse GSO Representative

14. Sara Reinstein Landscape Architecture Representative

15. Laura Gonzalez Environmental Resource Engineering Representative

16. Veronica Gonzalez FNRM Representative

17. Becky Fuda Environmental Forest Biology Representative (I)
18. Jay Ward Wason Environmental Forest Biology Representative (II)

Laura Bartock Environmental Science Representative (I)
 Mirian Calderon Environmental Science Representative (II)

21. Rick Joseph Chemistry Representative22. Colin Bragg SCME Representative

23. Doug Morrison Faculty Advisor

Guests

Fernanda Oliveira (PBE, 2015-16 VP Prof Dev) Brigid Farrell (FNRM; 2015-16 SU GSO) Natasha Kacoroski (ERE, 2015-16 ERE Rep; Proxy for Jonathan Masih Das) Sherry Martin (GPES, 2015-16 GPES Rep) Kritika Thapa (ERE) Smriti Sharma (FCH)