



**Reminders/Follow-up:**

**All: Publicize upcoming Professional Development events: Research Mixer**

**Lewis: Circulate description from S. Shannon of Graduate Student Advisory Body**

**General Meeting**

Committee Updates

1. Professional Development

- a. Preparing for Your Defense Friday Feb. 24th 12-1, 110 Moon
- b. Meeting of interested students preparing for candidacy exams 1 pm in GSA office
- c. Research Mixer/Elevator Pitch Friday March 30th 3:30-6:30
  - i. Video ads coming your way
  - ii. Reps: announce at faculty meetings; All: spread the word!
- d. Spotlight
  - i. Email announcement on March 1st, event is coming along

2. Speaker Committee

- a. Shifting Paradigms Wed. April 25th Peter Reich -- terrestrial biosphere
- b. still hammering out date with Gavin (mushrooms), potentially Tuesday April 10th
- c. Student Speaker Series: Anna Stewart Friday March 2 12pm in 110 Moon
- d. Let's find a different time slot that noon on Fridays -- losing engineering students

3. Social Committee

- a. Ice skating Friday Feb. 24th 5-7 pm at Tenny, free for ESF/SU grads, followed by beer at the Inn Complete -- combined event with GSO
  - i. Kids? probably fine coming along with ESF/SU students (Kat will check)
- b. Wine tour in the future (Kelly F) might be cheaper to coordinate than we thought

4. Budget -- nothing new, get receipts to Jen, she's still trying to meet with the budget office

5. OIGS Graduate Student Advisory Body

- a. New duty of departmental reps, or find someone else to serve from dept.
- b. Suggestions:
  - i. One rep from within GSA, one from general grad body
  - ii. Lewis suggests an amendment to our constitution to include, but perhaps this already seems like a rep's responsibility
  - iii. Format open meetings with representation from dept.
- c. Lewis: have Scott Shannon write up a description of objectives, goals, responsibilities of this body, circulate before next meeting

6. Alcohol Task Force

- a. Laura Crandal/USA rewriting alcohol policy

- b. meeting next thursday, time/place TBA -- connect via Whitney (Tom and David)
  - c. Not driven by issues originating from us, but from other clubs maybe
  - d. Calling for a review of current policy, rewrite if necessary, related to residence hall?
  - e. There is final oversight by Dean Lombard on the final policy
  - f. Make sure to include protection so that problems with one club won't affect others
7. International Night (Emily Hughes)
- a. April 1st 6-9 pm
  - b. outline of event:
    - i. Set up around 5 -- decorations, prepared food (need help)
      - 1. Make sure we have enough sternos that function
    - ii. Come at 6pm -- students/faculty/staff/students
    - iii. Cooking "cultural" food of all sorts
    - iv. Band to play during eating?
    - v. Sit eat, Caroline Salter to talk ~6:45
    - vi. Then bring out desserts to put on tables, encourage mingling
    - vii. Cap evening with performances: Leticia salsa group then leading dancing
      - 1. Other dancers out there?
    - viii. Ppt with pictures/music (Abbie)
  - c. Refunding up to \$30 for food items only (tax-free items) -- invite faculty/staff to cook as well
  - d. Email contacts: before and after spring break
  - e. Decorations
    - i. International flags
    - ii. Solicit ideas for table themes
    - iii. Decorations from Raydora in multicultural affairs
8. GPES Information (Lori, Emily, Ruth Yanai, Russell Briggs meeting)
- a. Breakout orientation sessions to reduce confusion -- need current students
  - b. Reviewing GPES handbooks -- need PhD perspective
  - c. Generally interested in our survey, had questions to add
  - d. Want to get students to semester mixer -- better email methods, schedules, doodle
  - e. Handbook for GPES faculty too? perhaps they need their own workshop
  - f. Physical GPES space -- offices in Bray, GPES lounge -- networking, collaboration
9. Joe Rufo GSO/GSA relations (Scott)
- a. Meeting was scheduled, canceled, rescheduled for Monday
10. EFB faculty meeting (EFB)
- a. Changing training and safety policies (due to California case)
  - b. Liability of faculty, staff, all those hired by ESF
  - c. Boost to resumes
  - d. Incorporate training at orientation/colloquium, also for specific lab spaces
    - i. Potentially mandatory in first year for everyone
  - e. John Weasel can set up (free) training sessions: CPR, basic first aid, WFA
    - i. This is within the obligations of his job
  - f. Open up to any interested students -- not just hired ones?

- g. Variable types of training throughout campus right?
  - i. Paper trail of general safety training, more specifics for other needs
- h. Problematic for getting everyone together? Logistics?
- i. Online option? Services provided by county?
- j. If we certify, we are all the more liable, they have to do it right, look at state mandates
- k. Does this just shift responsibility off faculty and on to students?
  - i. Be sure there is the proper language to prevent this
- l. Not a GSA responsibility -- but something to weigh in on as grad students

**Attendance:**

Doug Morrison	X	Bali Quintero	Alex Levine	
Lewis Grove	X	Jenny Wang	X Nick Pasco	
Jennifer Yantachka	X	Scott Sveiven	X David Schmidt	X
Abbie Larkin	X	Emily Hughes	X John Paul Buyondo	
Jesse Robinson	X	Kat DeVilbiss	X Tom Brumbelow	X
Cat Foley	X	Kelly Fitzsimmons	X Stephanie Figary	
Whitney L Marshall	X	Lindsey Perez	X Natasha Karniski	
Lori Cornell	X	Emily Johnson		
Kelly Bancroft	X	Kelly Purcell	X	
Leticia Isquierdo	X			