Reminders/Follow-up:
Cat: poll interest in wine tour, set International Night date (contact R. Drummer, C. Salter)
Jenny: coordinate meeting next week with GSO representatives
Jen: prepare list of GSA members for ITS
Lewis: send info on Bolivia film to all of GSA, email listserv for International Chair
Scott: logo for Women’s Caucus event; Limburg, Cohen, others for speaker contacts
Whitney: edit GPES survey to be applicable to all departments

General Meeting:
COMMITTEE UPDATES
1. Social Committee
   a. Sunday afternoon Feb. 12 skiing/snowshoeing at Highland Forest
      i. GSA provide transportation, not rental fees
   b. Friday Feb. 24th or March 2nd Ice Skating TG at Tennity + food/keg at Inn
      i. coordinate with SU GSO?
   c. Chili Cook-off Feb 26th or March 4th
      i. prizes, no reimbursements, no beer
   d. Wine Tour
      i. off-set bus rental not tasting fees, maybe $20-25 per person
      ii. send out survey to test for interest
   e. Traditional April TG
   f. Bowling TG on a Friday or Saturday
   g. Good-bye BBQ on a Weekend
      i. check on dates of Mayfest, USA, SU TGIO for conflicting events

2. Budget
   a. less funds that we anticipated, likely coming out of misc. or some other fund
   b. Jen’s on top of it, and we will straighten it out next meeting
   c. ITS dept. request: a list of GSA members expected to make posters (Jen)
      i. ~$7 for glossy poster, ~4 for matte -- can’t recycle glossy posters!

3. Professional Development
   a. Friday Feb. 3rd @noon So You Want to Graduate? open forum, paperwork, OIGS
   b. Spotlight on Student Research April 12th (grad posters only)
      i. working out budget for awards
      ii. committee might need more help to pull off event!
   c. Elevator Pitch (postponed)
i. faculty want to come, but not enough students registered
ii. could host a training session first (run by Lim)
iii. funding from OIGS and maybe Outreach
iv. suggestion: extend personal invitation to Faculty (face to face)

d. Grant Writing Workshop
   i. Boyer (Chem) wants to get "Exemplary Research" award winners on campus (faculty) to form a committee to review proposals
   ii. future plans to commit more resources/funds as grants to students

e. Maybe one other Panel: preparing to defend your thesis/dissertation
f. Careers for Grad Students (end of semester) supported by Career Services
   i. send out info to grads to entice them to come

4. Speaker Committee
   a. Michael Amadori 110 Moon at noon
      i. 6 total this semester
   b. support Lilian Alessa April 17th 4-5pm presentation with Women's Caucus
      i. plan reception, make sure our logo ends up on posters
   c. Shifting Paradigms
      i. Paul Stamets "Ways That Mushrooms Can Save the World" ($$)
      ii. Gavin (Cat's connection) wants to replace plastics with fungus products
      iii. Martin Dovciak's former advisor
      iv. contacted Cohen, potential coordination with Adaptive Peaks
   d. Standing on the Shoulders of Giants
      i. Leandro Costello (former ESF, Maxwell grad)
      ii. Contact of Karin Limburg?
      iii. Contact of Cohen, couldn't make Spotlight?
   e. Evaluate the goals of the speaker series: big names? resources to support?

5. Bolivia and MacDonalds Film + Pedro
   a. $200 to show, support from PLACA
   b. Lewis will send out more info on the film
   c. maybe with USA

6. International Chair (Lewis)
   a. Cat has an idea for a person, but Lewis will ask the listserv
   b. the only event left is really International Night
   c. Cat will set date, will check with Raydora Drummer (rsdrumme@esf.edu) and Carolyn Salter (cmsalter@esf.edu)
   d. identify chair by next meeting or we will run the event as a GSA
7. March 2nd New Student Event (OIGS?)
   a. plan event? (Cat and Jesse)
   b. same day as Ice Skating TG, maybe move
   c. find funding from other departments for TG?
   d. good feedback from prospective students regarding website!
      i. get site on Graduate School Website

8. GSA relations: Faculty/Undergrad
   a. faculty would like to more involved
      i. too busy to read our emails, would like a personal invitation
   b. put events on campus calendar

9. GPES Follow-up (satisfaction survey)
   a. 15 responses, will send out survey again, also to other departments (edit)
   b. Community Land Planning Program
   c. do secretaries keep track of offices? who to talk to?
   d. student/department committee to review handbooks?
   e. make this information more public, so folks are more accountable
   f. give clear suggestions on how to improve
   g. prepare summary of report comparing departments, provide some solutions to
      problems, disseminate amongst all department/division chairs/coordinator,
      faculty, Faculty Governance.
   h. GPES email from Patti, also directly from GSA to other
      i. confidentiality of survey results?
      ii. add Lori and Emily J’s emails as contacts on the survey
      iii. change from "advisor" to "home department"

10. Spring Awards (Not Discussed)

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