



Reminders/Follow-up:

Katie B: committee on student rights and responsibilities

Sarah: investigate how SU selects travel grant award winners

\*\*Need someone to serve food at the TG

Agenda:

1. Committee Reinstatement

a. Grants & Awards

- i. Aim for clear assessment metric, quantitative evaluation point system
  1. Although a random selection among all qualified applicants might be good (Michael D)
  2. Sarah will look into SU's protocol for such matters
- ii. Retool announcement, be clearer on what we are looking for
- iii. Form committee 3-5 people to review applications as well
  1. Volunteers to double up on committees?
    - a. International committee might have flexibility
    - b. Most seem to have a lot of spring events to come
- iv. Michael D: motion to reinstate G&A committee, second by Michael A and Whitney -- no one opposed

b. Communications

- i. Created last year to retool website – achieved goals
  1. Previous members: Katie D (website), Will (GSO rep), Angela (sec)
- ii. Uses of potential new committee
  1. Promote student research
    - a. Common bulletin board
    - b. Revamp Facebook account – announcements as a status
  2. Present capstone information
    - a. Dept. reps get info from secretaries to Katie D for website
    - b. Post lists in grad office – reps need to find these locations
- iii. Bali: merge old committee and webmaster into communications officer?
  1. Michael D: all this might be too much for one individual and the website takes a lot of effort without a guaranteed payoff.
  2. Refresh presence of the group on FB, send out new invites
- iv. Katie D'Amico will assume responsibilities, send ideas to her, if responsibilities grow too great we will revisit in the Spring

## Committee Updates

2. Professional Development
  - a. Panel : *How To Write a Proposal* 5:30 pm Nifkin Lounge Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>
    - i. Panel of professors and students, info packet, food and drinks.
3. Speaker Committee
  - a. Joan Roughgarden Stanford: sexual selection and society, long time professor
    - i. \$2000 honorarium, \$1500 from EFB
    - ii. Mid April
  - b. Bernardo Aguilar
    - i. Collaboration with ES – he was coming here anyways 1<sup>st</sup> week in April
  - c. Established speaker themes
    - i. Disregard them?
    - ii. Whitney: replace Standing on the Shoulders of Giants with student speaker series potentially
  - d. Student Speakers
    - i. Identified 7 dates for the spring
      1. Melody Kight
      2. Chris Standley
      3. Email solicitation for more names
    - ii. Great turn out at last event: Michael Dimpfl
4. TG – Trivia Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> 5:30
  - a. Send questions to Michael (has 5 now)
  - b. Fliers to hang up in grad student offices
  - c. Middle Ages Kegs (Katie D) and Wegmans Pizza (Whitney)
    - i. Need folks to pick it up, always takes longer to pick them up
    - ii. Take “skip the beer line” cards if you are bartending
    - iii. Set up: Marvin, Yazmin, Sarah (5 pm)
    - iv. Serving beer: Bali, Lewis, Doug
    - v. Checking ID’s: Yazmin, Sarah
    - vi. \*\*Need someone to serve food
    - vii. Clean up: Doug (8-8:30 pm)
  - d. Can’t do semi-formal, not enough time in the space, move until next semester and pair with awards and presentation of new officers (April)
  - e. SU combo pushed off to next semester as well
5. International Committee
  - a. Ecological engineering students who went to Mexico are presenting their experiences: food, slide show, interviews
  - b. Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> Baker 408 5-8 pm; show starts around 6 pm.

6. Departmental Updates

- a. none

7. Action Items Follow Up

- a. Who plans elections for next year?
- b. Office refrigerator
  - i. Staples and craigslist
  - ii. Get a full size – check with physical plant
- c. Follow up with Katie if you think of more things.

Attendance:

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Katie Barnhill	X	Bali Quintero	X	Meghan Kirchgessner	X
Lewis Grove	X	Sarah Wilkinson	X	Artem Treyger	
Dinesh Moghariya	X	Meredith Atwood		Marvin Montefrio	
Abbie Larkin	X	Shiuli Mahmud		Michael Dimpfl	X
Katie D’Amico	X	Laura Calandra		Jordan Kelley	X
Michael Amadori	X	Yasmin Rivera	X	Bhavin Bhanyani	
Whitney L Marshall	X	Jim Arrigoni		Neal Maker	X
				Doug Morrison	X

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