

Graduate Student Commons Governance Board

Minutes from meeting on April 3rd, 2002

Graduate Student Commons

In attendance

Brandon Allgood (GSCGB Chair), Ruth Schmitz (GSCGB Vice Chair), Diane Brookes (GSC Facilities Manager), Heather DeShon (grad rep, earth sciences), Nathan Sanders (grad rep, linguistics), Blake Riggs (grad rep, biology), Jason Farris (grad rep, physics)

Absent

Tara Crowley (Student Centers director), Kathryn Tobisch (Alumni Association rep), Robert Hartmann (grad rep, mathematics), Lee Ritscher (GSA President), Christopher Sugarman (Staff Advisory Board), John Holloway (Vice-Chancellor of Student Affairs), Betty Rush (Associate Vice-Chancellor of Planning and Budget), Frank Talamantes (Dean of Graduate Studies)

Call to order 9:13m

1. Approval of Agenda

Approved as is.

2. Approval of Minutes

No minutes to approve.

3. Mugs and brochures

No news on the mugs or brochures

4. Upcoming events in the area

Sat. April 13th Grad Forum, 9am -4pm: about 1000-1400 college juniors and seniors. There's workshops, and courses, recruiters. It's brought on by a California Forum for Diversity in Grad Education, Perla Lopez, 408-273-2710.

Idea for Grad Commons: Low-key event with signs, balloons, staff the building with a student worker and a board member. Have people come into the building and use it as a way station.

Blake will contact Perla and organize things with Ruth, Diane will get the staffing. Brandon and Jason will staff the building.

4. Whole Earth Update

There was a fire in a light fixture in one of the show-cases.

The elevator people turned over the elevator service to us, it's been broken since an hour after that.

There were many complaints: weekend service not good, Bela is still parking in no parking spaces, no clean-up done behind the building.

There is an intermittend water leak in the plumbing above the cash register, Bob already lost 2 registers due to this problem.

Bob has been complaining about tableing in the plaza and about food being given away in the area. Bob McC will notify Diane in the future about events like that. Tableing can be approved by either Bob McC or Tara.

5. Student Union Report

Tara and Diane were hiring joint hires for the Union and GSC. There were 50 applicants and 6 people were hired.

Blake and Heather: report from the Student Center Governance Board. Discussion about the Redwood building and Tara's space - tabled until the vote at next meeting. Financial situation tight.

6. Manager's Report

Omnilock still theoretically on for April 6th.

Back doors key screw-up corrected.

Diane and the Bob have been meeting with grounds keeping: initial estimate was \$7 per square foot. Now they want to charge us \$10,000 retro-actively, there are lots of issues with landscaping and garbage, now the number is down to \$4,000. Next meeting is April 17th.

7. Officers' Report

Brandon: We got a zip drive for the MAC, people use it and are happy. We replaced the printer, the old one died. MAC had to be re-installed after a file system corruption.

Introduction of Jason Farris, our new board rep from physics.

Diane and Brandon talked about charges for the building. Decided to charge non-grad groups a charge of \$50 for events up to 5 hours.

Adjourn 10:18am

Next meeting April 17th, 9am.