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Quorum Count

- Voting Memebtrs:
 - Foaad Khosmood, Neil Miller, Liz Bishop, Chris France
- Non-Voting Members:
 - Vice Chair: Chelsea Juarez, Diane Brooks, Kathryn Tobiach
- Program Coordinator
 - Jasmine Syedullah
- Called to order 12:10pm

Approval of Agenda

1. Approval of agenda
2. Approval of minutes
3. Graduate div. vote on 24% time
4. GSC damages / restitutions
5. Coordinator / officer binder
6. GSC Poster / damages
7. Motion to accept as written by Chris, second by Liz. Accepted.

GSC Poster / Damages Update

From Foaad:

- Ross and Foaad have not communicated to finish poster. They expect to have it done by end of quarter.
- Chelsea will follow up with Ross

From Diane:

- Total cost went up to \$18,900 from previous estimates.
 - The large gouge in floor can be filled in without the floor being replaced. Got estimate on both yesterday.

Travel Grants Update

Nic Kinsman: 39 students @ \$385 or less. 25 students have never received GSC and GSA funding before.

Graduate Division Vote on 24% time

- Chelsea: In recent meeting about AGEF with Tyrus Miller from the graduate division. We could combine the 24.9% position from the GSCGB with Grad Division to provide 25.1%. We would have to split Jasmine's time with the graduate division. The Graduate Division has interest in this sharing of resources. This means we would have 10hrs only focused on GSCGB activities.
- Foaad: Thinks 10hrs is a good idea.
 - We need to know if the Graduate Division would cover the fees in the entirety.
 - We need to know what responsibilities the Graduate Division is expecting for this person, and how much would that overlap with GSC Coordinator
- Chelsea: AGEF is apparently being reorganized due to new funding coming in; however, it is probably less well structured.
 - This joint position would facilitate communication between the Graduate Division.
- Questions for Grad. Division
 - Does grad. div. want 10 hrs/wk?
 - What expectations does the Grad Div. have? Job description. List of duties.
 - Would grad. div. cover fees entirely?
 - What input do they want in the hiring process?
 - When can we start
- Foaad: Motion for Chelsea to continue talks about this position. Second: Liz. Vote: 4-0-0

GSC Damages and Restitutions

UCSC Restitutions

- Chelsea and Foaad met with Doug from the legal department. Looks like they are not punishing people academically. We passed on information the students that the board voted on in previous meeting.
- The University is pursuing restitutions. Does the GSCGB want to ask for restitutions? If so Bob will look at Diane's list of damages and he will approve or deny specific line items.
- We do not know who they will prosecute, and we will have no control of it.
- Foaad: Doug said that they will use our damages from Diane unless we tell them no.
- Chris: This will probably be the only way the University will help us financially.
- Diane: Saying no to pursuing restitution will be seen as a sign of a quiet support.
- Kathryn: Was part of the move out agreement that the occupiers would pay for damages?
 - Chelsea: Yes.
- Kathryn: We can frame this in the term of accountability to the evacuation agreement. We can put a statement about damages and accountability on our website.
- Jasmine: Could there be some amount of formal accountability without the legal element.
- Neil & Diane: Do we really want to not show support of the University.
- Foaad: Our support strengthens UCSC's argument, but they are not very supportive of us, nor would they help more if the building gets occupied again.
- Saying we don't want to pursue legal action could make Student Affairs feel we don't care about our building.
- Foaad: Motion to send Doug a message that we do NOT want to pursue restitutions. Second by Chris. Motion unanimously rejected.

Informal Accountability Statement

- We should post information on the website that iterates the the verbal agreement made between occupiers, and how that agreement has been kept or not kept. This would be tied in with the poster that we are making.

Programming Coordinator / Officer Binders

We should pick 2-3 for Jasmine to focus on. Each person in room can vote for 2

- Fellowship workshop.
- CV workshop.
- Presentation workshop. - 2 votes
- Negotiation workshop. - 1 vote
- Publication workshop. - 2 votes
- Job search / teaching portfolio workshop.
- Post-doc workshop.
- Dissertation writing workshop. - 1 vote
- Effective teaching workshop. - 4 votes
- Quiz night
- Acupuncture
- Truffles.
- Roller skating
- Speed dating / social networking.

Top 3 things to focus on:

- Effective teaching workshop
- Presentation workshop
- Publication workshop

There will be an ExecConn meeting over break to look at the budget, and Chelsea will meet with Jasmine to work on programming plan.

Motion to adjourn, Liz. Second Foaad. 13:20pm