GSCGB Meeting - February 16th, 2012

GSCGB Meeting Feb. 16, 2012 Present Board: Mark, Scott, Neil, Aadil, Walter, Joanna, Chelsea, Sarah Employees: Dianne, Danielle Visitors: Sayo, Lizzy, Eric Lopez, Erik Green Call to Order Meeting called to order at 1:05PM. Agenda approved. Minutes approved. New Member Did no show. Tabled until next meeting. Discussion of Enlarging Governance Board Board is already infinite in size. Mostly just to make people voting members. Will do this when we rewrite constitution for move to Grad Division. Think about a democratic way to do this. March Meeting Dianne cannot make the planned date, so it will be rescheduled. Mark will send out a doodle. Meetings with Allison Galloway, Alma ???, and Tyrus Miller Mark scheduled and attended these meetings. Talked about Constitution (name) changes Talked about moving to Grad Division, who is open to the idea. The university has changed its lockdown policy: now keeping buildings open as much as possible. We may need to be more nimble on deciding if we lock down. Moving to Grad Division Administration over Dianne would change; paperwork would be handled differently/more efficiently; would like to funnel some money through us. Travel Grants: Eric Lopez GSA runs the travel grants program, and funds \$8000/quarter; we fund \$6000/quarter. For anything researchor academic- or professional development-related. If you submit the forms right and haven't gotten money recently, you get funded up to max award (\$365 this term). Number of people both apply and filling out forms correctly has increased over the past several years. \$24,653.86 requested; \$14,329.77 funded. Looking to increase funding from other sources via ballot measure. We would like forms to also state partially funded by GSC. Motion to fund Travel Grants \$6,000 for Fall quarter. Passed. Funding Committee Report & Recommendation Recommended added a few things to the online form: ask: open to all grads?, how they are advertising, have you done this before / how was the attendance? other possible funding sources? mention: \$5-20 per grad student per term, depending on if the event is social or academic- or programmingrelated. Approved Executive Board action of funding Queer Lunches at \$200 for Winter term. Motion to make the Event Sponsorship Committee a standing committee with up to \$2000/year, subject to approval by the board. Passed. New Funding Request: Lizzy 1-day anthropology conference on care (Sat April 21). Budget of \$1500 (for venue, travel fees, keynote speaker, lunch for speakers/panelists)

7 student papers, 4 bay area faculty, 1 keynote speaker. Expecting 100 attendees, probably 40 or so UCSC grad students.

Funded from Event Sponsorship Fund at \$200. (\$1600 remaining for the year.) Vendor Contracts: Sayo

We just renewed our contract with Joe's for 5 years, but in the future the real estate office will be requiring a more open bidding process every 3 years. Real estate take care a lot of the extra work on our end, leaving us mostly just reviewing proposals. Straw poll: this move by the administration sounds good to us (7-4). Winter Event Update: Danielle

Have had three programming events so far (CV/Cover Letter for STEM, academic jobs,). Turnout is lower than last quarter, possibly because they are now all around dinner time. Upcoming panel on websites. Fall Event Presentation: Danielle

Tabled until next meeting.

March First Friday Social (Mar 2)

Mark and Scott will be out of town, someone else needs to take point. Neil can head it. Neil can be in charge. Danielle and Joanna can go to Costco. Walter can get the ice the day of and put the ice in 2 hours before starting.

Mural Selection

4-5 people said no mural

Less complicated -- 2/3rds liked, but must correct DNA and should add.

Gears, money, brain/freud's couch, math equations.

More complicated one -- some liked, but others said didn't apply to them.

5 people want to help paint.

Will ask artist of less complicated one to resubmit a rough idea with corrected DNA, and a few more things for other divisions.

Continue Paying Building Manager Full Time?

Increased Dianne from 75% to 100% time. Currently expires in May. Dianne is updating her job description. Straw poll: in favor of keeping things at 100%. Tabled until next meeting.

Continue Professional Development Coordinator Next Year?

Mark will see if Grad Division is interested in half funding again next year.

Scholarship Dinner

Danielle can't attend; Mark and Scott are out of town. Walter and Neil may be able to attend.

Adjourned at 2:41PM.