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Present: Mark, Scott, Joanna, Chelsea, Danielle, Diane

Diane Budget – moved to June meeting when finances will be cleared up

Total budget = 20k

GSR (professional development) – 3k spent (7k under budget)

Social Events (3 parties, 1st Fridays, Speed Mingling, etc.) – 8k spent

Travel Grants – on budget

Diane's End of Year Evaluation – Mark, Sayo, Gail, and Diane

Most likely the EOY evaluation needs to go through student life, but still up in the air.

Danielle will also be involved in the evaluation of Diane's performance.

GSCGB will receive eval forms in a few weeks. Qualitative feedback is much more useful than the quantitative (likert scale) portion of the evals!

Increasing (voting) board size, modifying the board, and selecting new members

Opening the board to anyone leaves us open to "special interest takeover"

Set number of students per division (5 divisions x 3 students = 15)

If divisions fail to fill all their seats by end of first quarter, then the board can fill the seats if there are under 10 voting members

Appointed members: no 1 division can have more than 50% voter representation (i.e., 1 div no more than 7 members)

Is Education Department it's own division or part of social sciences?

Summer Programming:

GSR funded at quarter time through all of summer or just the month of September?

1/4 time funding to organize social events?

Recommended: Mimosa Brunch Orientation welcome before campus tour

Concerns about doing events on campus during summer: difficult to get to campus (parking permit) just for an event, a lot of money and energy if just a few people show

Other ideas:

Swift Street courtyard wine/beet tasting

Passport days (wine tasting) – we would rent vans, and individuals pay for their own passports (\$45, but good for life) – July 21st

Beach BBQ's/bonfires - August

Contact local businesses about "discount days" for 1st Fridays during the summer

Locals night Tuesdays during summer at the Boardwalk (\$1 rides, cheap beer)

Bowling at Boardwalk

Summer hikes off campus (land of medicine Buddha in Soquel)

We need point people for these events – GSR funding?

Elections in June

Send general email for more board members, as well as opening it up for people to run for elected positions

Mark has received some replies to his email recruiting efforts

Open Questions

Diane: job description, mid year review

100% time through GD

Follow-up:

Mark is going to call Tyrus about funding

New plan (to be written up to be included in the Constitution):

Size to 15, up to 3/division first quarter.

Quroum = 2/3rds of current voting members.

After the 1st quarter, board can appoint up to 15, no more than 7/division.

Pay is currently \$100/quarter for everyone.

Propose to increase Pres to \$300? / VP to \$150.

Make clear the expectation to help with parties.

Use quarter signups for people to take point on events.

Website:

Upcoming events mostly aren't upcoming.

Sections: professional development, social, health/wellness

Suggestion form.

FAQ page empty.

What is the difference between Grad Commons and GSA?

Front page should have the most used things / with events upcoming or just had.

Change colors to blue & gold instead of red.

Add" How can I get involved?" section.

Diane's budget:

Tabled

Agenda Items for Next Meeting:

Pay, budget, constitution

Question:

What is happening to the education program/department/division?