

# October 2, 2012 Minutes

## GSC Meeting Minutes – 10/2/12

Meeting Start Time: ~10:10AM

People in Attendance: Mark, Walter, Diane, Danielle, Joanna, Chelsea, Lizzy, and Katie

### Social

**IM Teams** – The GSC will not organize the teams, they will encourage grad students to form them and pay the reg fees.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Mural** – Do we want one? If so where? Could go on the opposing wall, could go outside. We should make sure the Art department receives our e-mails because last time we had no submissions from them.

**T-shirts** – Discussion on having GSC T-shirts made, designed by grad students. E-mail all grads to submit designs. Grad students can vote for the different designs at the GSC Halloween Party and the November First Friday Event. The artist of the winning design will also receive \$100.

**Dodgeball Tournament** – Discussion on organizing and putting on a giant 1 day grad student only dodgeball tournament. Putatively set for some time in Winter Quarter.

**1<sup>st</sup> Friday** – It's going down THIS Friday. We can now have mixed drinks / hard liquor at all GSC events. No shots. We will be having Vodka Cranberry and Rum Coke drinks this Friday. Danielle and Joanna are doing a Costco run later today/Tuesday as long as Joanna agrees to push the cart. They will keep an eye out for pitchers or other large containers to make mixed drinks in. This will allow us to have a lot of the mixed drinks pre-made before the event starts.

Chelsea is organizing actual bartending shifts for First Friday. This will prevent some people from doing all the work while others just walk around and socialize.

Walter is going to do the Safeway ice run on Friday. Mark, GSC staff, and maybe others (but probably not) will help put beer in ice coolers.

**Halloween Party** – Need a PO for Halloween Decorations and GOOD pumpkin carving knives - \$200, although Diane might just use her Pro Card. Need a PO for Costco - \$800. Need a PO for Safeway - \$150. (VP Addition: Did we decide where we were buying pumpkins? Do we need a separate PO for this?)

**GSC gets Friendly. Family Friendly** – How do we make the GSC more Family Friendly?

Good kid ideas: night hikes with Kim? \$50/hr?

Movie Night: Kids welcome, popcorn, chips, soda, no booze, Thursday before Thanksgiving? 11/15/12?

**Passport Day** – Putatively set for 4/20 in Spring Quarter. Is a Bus possible? Diane will check with OPERS. We should also have people sign-up first, then rent buses based on firm sign-up numbers.

**Local Restaurant Deals** – No one wants to take the lead. Tabled until revived by a GSC member.

**Bands** – Definitely not at 1<sup>st</sup> Fridays and not at Halloween for fear of overwhelming the party. Tabled for further discussion.

## Professional

**Danielle** – Went over the Fall 2012 Professional Development events at the Commons – 32 RSVPs for event this week! Super Awesome. Outlined upcoming events including “Versatile PhD” and the new writing program we are collaborating with Grad Div. on.

Briefly outlined Winter Quarter Plans. Some discussion about a CPR class and how important it is.

**Replacement for Danielle** – *Hella* sad. To find “Danielle 2.0” we will need to start looking early. We will also need to try and figure out a NEW research focus for the replacement. It could be to focus on grad alumni involvement. Currently the Grad alumni organization is very sad and practically non-existent.

## Other

**Update on Dean Miller Meeting** – Talked about Danielle replacement. Also talked about figuring out what departments are not receiving/not letting GSC e-mails go through.

**Meeting with EVC soon** – Let Mark know if you have issues you want him to bring up with her.

**Meeting with GSA Presidents** – Mark will be meeting to make sure they are all on the same page about some building items etc.

**Sprinkler Update** – Diane worked a miracle and basically saved us ~\$10,000 by getting us a significantly lower bid on sprinkler repairs. HUGE Props to Diane!

**Web Presence** – We need to significantly increase our web presence. Consider a salary increase for our webmaster? \$300-\$500? Should we have him revamp the whole thing?

**Dept. E-mails** – Some departments are not getting GSC e-mails. Not exactly sure which ones. We don't think Music/Art, Education, and English are getting them for sure. Others?

## Board Elections

**Exec. Board:** Mark – President, Walter – Vice President. Both Elected last year.

**GSC Expanded Board:** The newly expanded board can have up to 15 voting members and 3 non-voting members including the Exec Board. There can only be three voting members from any one division.

Art: 0, Humanities: 1, Physical Sciences: 1, Engineering: 0, Social Sciences: 2.

There are a few people who expressed interest in joining but could not make the current meeting time. We will redo the doodle to try and accommodate these new members. Our current board has 5 voting members and 3 non-voting members, 2 members down from its largest size last year.

Meeting End Time: ~10:35AM