

GSC Governing Board Mtg.

16 June 2020 / 5 - 6 PM / Graduate Student Commons via Zoom

Attendees

Ryan VH, Fiona, Ryan P, Daniel C, Brynna, Harrison, Alexandra, Rachel N., Sona K., Daniel A., Sara

Zoom Considerations

1. Please mute your mic when not speaking.
 - Press and hold the spacebar to temporarily unmute.
2. Voting mechanism
 - Motion will be typed into chat, voting members will type “yay” “nay” or “abstain” to vote.

Agenda

3. Review and approve E-board minutes
 - Motion passes; eboard minutes approved
4. Vote in new voting members: Must attend (2) GSCGB meetings + meet stipulations of a committee of interest (programming, outreach, finance) to receive \$100
5. President:
 - Submit paperwork for Spring 2020 stipends!
 - Did anyone not receive stipends at this point? Emailing is fine.
 - Do we want to do anything with the \$500 Programming stipend?
 - Split between RJ / Sona or Split between the whole Gboard.
 - Proposals
 - 250 for RJ, then thinking about 250 for Sona
 - Motioned, seconded
 - Passes
 - 250 to allocate to future ideas.
 - Split between whole Gboard
 - For even split: Brynna will recuse the stipend
 - For Sona, could be done under the Local Award / Star Award policies, sometimes can't pay extra for work in job duties.
 - Just need to be clear about whether the Programming Chair responsibilities fall under the GSC Intern's job description

- Elections for all executive officer positions (expire on July 1st).
 - President/Chair
 - Ryan VH running
 - Vote to make Ryan VH President for 2020 - 2021
 - Passes
 - Vice-President/Outreach Committee Chair
 - Treasurer/Finance Committee Chair
 - Brynna intends to run
 - Appreciative of / open to co-treasurer
 - Vote to make Brynna Treasurer for 2020 - 2021
 - Passes
 - Programming Committee Chair
- 2020 GSC Constitution with changes to voting bylaws now on GSC google drive, [link here](#).
 - Update to website
- Lack of interest due to remote work, could do a 2nd push in the Fall, with a skeleton e-board in the interim
 - Even just getting board members to join, now and in the Fall will be impacted
- Graduate Intern Position
 - Will still be funded in the upcoming year
 - Sona's plans for continuing in Fall depend on summer, will be in touch
 - Once Sona vacates position we will do a recruitment
 - No hiring freeze on campus, but in July there are new review processes for the position
 - Even if vacated now, same review process as if vacated later

6. Programming

- Remy Franklin Workshops
 - Good attendance after gentle reminders. Intent is to do an 8 week series.
 - Feedback was positive, preference for group rather than individual workshops.
- Karaoke Night (5/21)
 - Good attendance and no major issues. Not many "random grad" attendees.
 - Specific hosts were great
 - 7 - 9 grads (this and game night v)
- Game Night (5/29)
 - Very successful, but again not many "random grad" attendees.

- Social events specifically not pulling many random grads
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- Prof Dev Workshops
 - ODEI: Writing Diversity Statements (6/4)
 - Interviewing/Salary Negotiation (6/4)
 - CITL: Preparing Teaching Portfolio (6/9)
 - Academic Job Prep (6/12)
 - Very easily adapted to online, made more accessible to grads who wouldn't have came in person
- Programming for Fall 2020
 - When to start planning?
 - Do we want to do any summer programming?
 - Reach out to us!
 - For virtual events
 - Social events can work
 - PD Workshops don't take much work but bring good turn out
 - Seem to be a hit
 - Some funding available for virtual programming
 - GSC building open in the Fall?
 - Rachel: imagines it will remain closed until more information about return to work and return to in-person operation
 - Cleanliness protocols, etc.
 - Daniel C: Very few classes appear to be in-person, very few people on campus

7. Treasurer:

- Proposed 2020-2021 budget
 - Note the \$18k deficit even if we lose no Iveta revenue → we cannot afford our base operations with our main revenue streams
 - Serious budget problem
 - Fine given the amount in savings
 - Pulling from savings during pandemic is okay
 - Vote to approve the Proposed budget
 - Motioned, seconded
 - Motion passes; Approved
 - With decreased Iveta revenue and decreased grad enrollment, things will be worse
- 2020-2021 budget narrative: Words to explain the budget
- Vote to approve budget
 - passed

- Document explaining utility of grad student fees.
- 8. Vice President & Outreach:
 - Message addressing struggles of the past year
 - PG&E Outages
 - Strikes
 - COVID
 - Racial Injustices / Anti-Black Racism
 - What can we do to help?
 - Forwarding along the AARCC statement
 - Increase funding for events catered to this end
 - Putting on our own education/resource events.
 - *Black Graduate Voices: Navigating the Racial and COVID19 Pandemics on College Campuses*
 - *A draft exists of what we can say to the community about how we can help. Input is asked for.*
 - June 18th, 7 - 8pm EST on [Zoom](#)
 - Space for Black graduate students + Invited speakers
 - Perhaps we can do some events like this.
 - Ryan: Good idea to put on events like these, rather than just asking other groups to do it.
 - Would take work, but great to go for it
- WISE
 - Email to all grads
 - Message of solidarity, providing resources, then talking about next steps
 - Planning to put on events and collaborations with campus groups
- Budget has line item for Culturally Diverse programming
- Graduate Orientation
 - Programming ideas?
 - It will be a virtual orientation as well
 - Graduate student panel
 - Share experiences, answer questions
 - Alexandra: Good idea

- Swing into Spring
 - Had all ERCs come in and speak about their center
 - How to transition to online?
- Connecting incoming Black graduate students with campus resources + ERCs

9. Building Updates:

- Iveta lease renewal
 - No exceptions to new mandate
 - Iveta will need to pay \$26.40 per hour to employees
 - Work-study in this case?
 - Would fall under if the GSC ran our own cafe, and opened a work-study position
 - Iveta cannot do this, as a separate legal entity
 - They do not have to hire students, can hire employees who do not need training / can work full time.
 - Goal: Finalize a lease extension that is viable for Iveta and UCSC
 - Options if cannot be finalized:
 - Look to UCSC dining services
 - GSCafe
 - Can we hire John and Danielle as Cafe managers?
 - Is GSC interested in buying the equipment?
 - Establishing an ad-hoc GSC restaurant group?

10. GradLab Updates:

- Needs a new chair for next academic year.

11. Other announcements:

- Summary from SFAC: Campus fees will be charged in full through pandemic despite no campus presence because vast majority of all fees goes towards someone's salary
- Student employees over the Summer
 - Hoping to have 15 hr/week
 - Alexandra: Nice to have a budget prepared, then vote online. Esp given uncertainty with tenant.
 - Alexandra: any programming comes with graduate work as well, thinking about graduate compensation too
 - Can think of Summer work
 - Social media work
 - Virtual programming over the Summer
 - Promoting GSC itself

- Establishing Instagram + Twitter
- Can help with Orientation work
 - SFAC money could go here
- Website needs some updating
- Division of Student Success put out message advocating to keep students employed

12. Motion to adjourn the meeting

- passes

Next Meeting

Governing Board: Fall 2020

Executive Board: Summer 2020, date TBD