

GB Minutes 12/4/2017

- Exec Updates
 - President
 - Greg and Tom finally got a meeting with CAPS
 - Talked about how CAPS is not equipped to deal with graduate students.
 - Creating a survey with them
 - Asked to train a person to deal with graduate students
 - Maybe dedicating someone to create a worksheet for everyone working at CAPS with relevant information about issues relevant to graduate students
 - Maybe create topic based CAPS group sessions for graduate students
 - Talk with Greg or Tom if you have ideas about this.
 - GAPSA update
 - No central diversity office. IDEAL and GAPSA are pushing for this
 - Finance updates
 - All travel grants have been decided. Decisions will go out this week and next week
 - Please claim department merit funds
 - Will review two merit fund applications today
 - Social
 - Trip to DC at the end of last week to the museum of African American History and Culture
 - No other events at this point in the semester, but a back to school event at the beginning of next semester
 - Public Affairs
 - Resolutions have been put on the website.
 - Information about resources regarding sexual harassment etc. that we have been discussing will be added to the website
 - Encourage people to submit abstracts. Due January 26th.
 - We need student volunteers to judge
 - Communications
 - Only missing information from two reps for the data gathering project for Research Council + Math and Psychology
 - First meeting next semester is Tuesday 1/16 at 6:30pm.
- Discretionary Applications
 - Chemistry Biology Interface (CBI)
 - Invite speakers (professors and students) speak about Biology and Chemistry.
 - \$500 ask.
 - The event already happened. This was their projected budget, but they don't know what the final figures were.

- Finance approved the application (Total score 14)
 - There was some discussion about whether SASgov could fund only parts of it.
 - Funded in full.
- Constructivist Criticism Workshops
 - PhD students in History, Comp Lit, Anthropology targeting students in those departments as well as language (slavic etc)
 - End of January
 - \$450 getting \$200 from Lauder. Asking for \$250 from SASgov
 - 3-4 presenters
 - Discussion during deliberation on whether or not we need a matrix for the diversity category
 - Funded in full
- Proxy Amendment
 - Except for Budget and Executive board election meetings proxies can be submitted one hour in advance.
 - Passes
- End of Semester Concerns?
 - Who does not have a lounge/ graduate space? Only biology and one other department.
- Committees
- Happy Hour