

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

- GAPSA
 - Renewal project moving forward
 - Union
 - Date will probably be end of March
 - Optimistic about appeals
 - CAPS Survey
 - Almost ready
 - Derived from national survey
 - Can only present, not actually release survey data
 - Google document soliciting feedback on questions
 - Student Health Advisory Meeting
 - RC
 - Funded Science Cafe
 - Feedback directed to Grad students during program review
 - 1-pagers: how public is public?
 - Meeting with PVP
 - Change to Reporting Policy may be in the works?
 - PVP has no huge concern for funding, needs more staff for adequate grad outreach
 - Possibility of setting up a CTL-fellow type outreach program?
 - Meeting with Eve Tomorrow at 2:30
 - Who else can/wants to join?
 - Asminet can join Greg
 - Agenda:
 - Insurance for Medical Leave?
 - School Policy or Eve's?
 - Can we put it on the website?
 - Any way for retroactive for last semester's students?
 - What happens when students go on medical leave in the spring?
 - Why is it not written down?
 - Sexual Harassment Reporting Policy
 - Fellows for PVP
 - Who should be asked about this?
 - Grad program handbooks/guidelines for removal
 - Harvard and Stanford have it in their graduate student handbook. Tom will share this with Greg.
 - Eve's Replacement? What policies may or may not change?
 - Could the Dean Travel Subventions disappear?
- Social
 - Happy Hour this Friday
 - Scotch Tasting?
 - Future Events?
 - Definitely need to accelerate GAP spending
 - Superbowl party?
 - Movie tickets for the Oscars?
- Public Affairs

- BenTalks?
 - Deadline will be extended
 - Some submissions so far (but not too many)
 - Faculty and student judges needed:
 - Greg may be able to do find a faculty judge from the Humanities
 - Hong will do it. At Penn it is a natural science (?)
 - The blog is up, facebook is updated
- Finance
 - Any discretionary?
 - No new discretionary
 - Travel grant window?
 - Thinking of opening it second week of February and closing it after spring break?
 - Overemphasized how much money we have left.
- Communications
 - Switch around committee assignments?
 - Art History as new communications rep
- Policy
 - Solidarity Fund - policy discussion:
 - Other reasons than medical
 - Timing - running out of GB meetings
 - Effective and useful way to spend large budget
 - Increase fund size to \$15,000
 - Professional and academic development fund
 - Books/academic supplies/research materials
 - Travel for job interviews
 - Training courses
 - Ideas:
 - \$20,000 - half of an individual's expenses up to a maximum of \$100. Funds 200 students each year — more geared towards books etc.
 - \$20,000 - max \$400 per person. Funds 50 students each year and is more geared towards travel for job interviews (also helps support people in later stages who may have less funding opportunities). Estimating 50 people every year graduate from SAS.
 - FOCUS on what we want to get out of it.
 - Policy related workshops
 - NEH
 - Tax workshop/tax information

MEETING WITH EVE:

- Medical Leave
 - Always Covered
 - No Official Announcements
 - But Grad Chairs Should Know
 - Family Leave Funding
 - Available any time
 - Personal Leave available in coursework
- Sexual Har. Reporting Policy
 - Graduate Coordinators are

- Fellows for PVP
 - Val Cade, Vice Provost for University Life
 - Anita M. (Beth's Assistant)
 - Beth W.
 - Eve Will Ask Beth who would be helpful to talk to
 - Student Intervention Services
- Dismissal Procedures
 - Definite Agreement that there needs to be clarity
 - But who is really qualified to evaluate academic quality if not the faculty of a department?
 - Ombuds is always a place of appeal, even for grad students
- One Pagers are with Grad Chairs, should be shareable with students