

UNIVERSITY GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Council Meeting Agenda

October 27, 2014 - Senate Chambers, Talley Student Union

- I. Food Served (6:45 PM)**
- II. Call to Order (7:00 PM)**
- III. Roll Call #1**
- IV. Guest Speakers:**
 - A. Brooke Bailey – University Housing
 - i. Works with undergraduate students, and would like to get graduate student panel regarding what it's like to apply to a school and general information.
 - ii. Research/TAs, how to evaluate a funding package
 - iii. Some have good mentors, others, not so much
 - iv. Goal is 4 panels, have a lot of education, need humanities and stem individuals at this point in time.
Green Sheet for information
Nov 13 at 8pm, Nov 18 6:30pm, Nov 19, 20 at 7pm
Bebaile2@ncsu.edu
Please sign up for only one.
 - B. Adam Ward – GLBT Center
arward@ncsu.edu
GSYPN – Graduate student Professional Network at NCSU Meetings monthly
Trying to increase in the region, works with Duke and UNC other groups
Working on getting networking going. Allies are welcome.
Listserve – Contact Adam Ward to get on that
Check the Facebook group
Online version of survey will be upcoming shortly for people to fill out if they so choose.
Day/time not specific yet. This will go up on the website for the GLBT center.
Best way to get involved is to get on the listserve and the newsletter.
- V. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes**
Min approved.
- VI. Advisors' Update (Dr. Barbi Honeycutt & Dr. Beth Overman)**
- VII. Executive Officer Updates – No updates at this time**
 - A. President David Fiala
 - i. For College of Engineering Students – Task force has been set up to fund resources (equipment, TAs, etc). They have found ways to fund things through the state budget cut through an increase in STUDENT fees. They are soliciting information on how to best use Fee \$\$\$. This fee is over the next 3 years, and the only thing they cannot pay for currently is an instructor's salary. (What programs do you think need to be developed, or what things did you lose?) Email David/special Actions committee with suggestions.
 - ii. Special Action working on resolution regarding the GSSP Pause issue.
(Eg. All semesters that you are at NCSU count against your eligibility for GSSP – and this is a problem.) If you or someone you know has been affected, please let them know! Eg. Self funded and then lost GSSP eligibility or Paused and lost eligibility.
 - B. Vice-President of Internal Affairs Chirag Gajjar

IF WE have NOT Received your LOC Please see us ASAP

- C. Vice-President of External Affairs Veronica Mbaneme
University Standing Committee – Luncheon survey!
- D. Vice-President of Academic Affairs Milena Bobea
Research Symposium is coming up! Nominations are due Jan 16th
Symposium occurs March 25th this year
Working on getting additional judges, preferably job recruiters!
- E. Vice-President of Communication Barry Peddycord III
Meeting with Communications group to do Pawprints!
Get things to Pawprints! – Still accepting submissions
Link is go.ncsu.edu/pawprints
- F. Treasurer Nithy Poosamani
Budget is trying to be more transparent
Still have receipts to go
- G. Secretary Katie Kennedy
- H. Public Relations Officer Veronica Catete

VIII. Internal Committee Breakout Session

- A. Goals Assessment Form

IX. UGSA Internal Standing Committees Updates (Chair or Exec Liason)

(Limit to 3 minutes per committee)

- A. Community Service
Two different events for this semester. The first is within the committee, and the second is a food drive, for all the UGSA
All items are here this evening.
Food/Hygiene drive, this goes to the Feed the pack pantry
Boxes are outside, and each GSA can get a flyer.
Put the flyer on the Box and send out. (Your Department goes on the line)
Collection is at NEXT MEETING – Bring Back YOUR BOXES
Top two GSAs will receive \$\$\$\$\$\$\$
200\$ Visa for first place
100\$ Visa for Second place.
ekmedloc@ncsu.edu is the contact person for this – Questions, reminders etc.
All information is on the box!
Most needed items are on the flyer.
Ms. Medloc – Please send both fliers to the reps list.
- B. Research Recognition
Travel Award applications are judged 6 currently funded, looking for funding for 7th
Awards are spread across
Parks Rec and Tourism
English
Civil Construction
Molecular and Structural Biochem
Marine Atmospheric sciences
Biological and Agricultural Engineering
Forrest and Environmental Resources
Planning for graduate research symposium
- C. Departmental Outreach & Leadership
Thank you for survey feedback
Creating guide for the UGSA

Working on top 10 summary for best practices

Awards coming up in Jan. Not live yet!

D. Special Projects & Political Action

Looking into sponsoring scientific writing conference

Drafting two resolutions – GSSP and Crosswalk

Would like to develop graduate student research directory

E. Publicity – Submit for PawPrints

F. Social

Tailgate on Nov 15th!; Bowling on Dec. 3rd.

For Tailgate: Please have signage up so that people know where to go.

Request for non-sports related social groups, or hiking trip, or etc. – Possibly send out a survey for what people are interested.

G. Teaching Effectiveness

1.) TA Awards ceremony is March 24th noon!

2.) We will be expanding this! – which means that we will be doing a surplus find request.

3.) TA SOIREE! Raleigh Times, Nov 19th 7-9pm

FREE FOOD!

Possibly RA awards

X. New Business

A. R02 - Traditions Keeper Accessibility Act

i. Passed

B. FB01 - Executive Board Discretionary Funds Act

Passed

C. FB02 - Travel Grants Additional Funding Act

Passed

D. FB03 - Avent Ferry Road Crosswalk Feasibility Study Act

UGSA would like safety report, and a commitment from the city/other professional groups, as well as a PE signing off on the research and a commitment to work with Wake up Wake County. (Making sure this is not duplicitous work, as well as a timeline from the county on when it could be done).

We would also like to see contact with the NCSU transportation office Michael Usdal – email from Nithy.

Bill was straw polled – There was significant interest, but there are questions we would like answered. Shannon, please see the above and address before re-submitting.

E. EB01 – Startup Funds Act (First Reading ONLY; Constitutional Amendment)

Amendment was read.

XI. Open Floor – Comments and Announcements – (Limit to 2 minutes per representative)

XII. Roll Call #2

XIII. Adjournment

Next scheduled meeting of the UGSA Council: Monday, November 24 at 6:45 PM (Call to Order at 7PM)