Graduate Professional Council General Assembly Meeting

Meeting Minutes

3/4/2014

Meeting called to order at 6:02 P.M.

I. Call to Order (Eric Hucker)

II. Adoption of the Minutes (Motion: Ashley Ermer, HDFS; Second: Matt McCune, At-Large)

III. Adoption of the Agenda (Motion: Megan Murphy, Biological Sciences; Second: Zach Rubin, Sociology)

IV. Officer Reports
   A. Technical Coordinator (Alex Schalla)
      1. Nothing to report
   
   B. Director of State Affairs (Salama Gallimore)
      1. Not present – nothing to report
   
   C. Director of National Affairs (Jesse Kremenak)
      1. NAGPS Legislative Action Days
         a. Slides

NAGPS Legislative Action Days (LAD)

GPC National Affairs Committee developed all of the Issue Documents
   - Funding
   - Immigration
   - Student Loan Debt
   - Domestic Revalidation of Student Visas
   - Open Access to Federally Funded Research
NAGPS Legislative Action Days (LAD)

S. McCaskill
Rep. Clay
Rep. Wagner
Rep. Luetkemeyer
Rep. Hartzler
Rep. Cleaver
Rep. Graves
Rep. Long
Rep. Smith

NAGPS SouthCentral Regional Conference
Baylor University Graduate Student Association
Waco, TX
National Call-Congress Day
April 9th

- 8am – 4pm
- MU Student Center 2203
- Bagels, Coffee, and Script are provided

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Why Act Now?

RECENTLY:
- Removed In-School Interest Subsidy (2012)
- Charged Higher Interest Rate (2013) – 1st time in history

Policy Brief – New America (2014)

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Why Act Now?

COMING UP:
• TUITION WAIVERS WILL BE TAXABLE
• REPEALS in-school interest deduction on student loans
• REPEALS the Social Security tax exemption for students on income over $1,200
• Forgiven student loans will be taxable

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D. Director of Programming and Publicity (Michael Steska)
   1. Déjà Vu event this Friday, 7:00-11:00 P.M. April 4, 2014: Flashback to Funk

E. Secretary (Michael Burfield)
   1. Nothing to report

F. Treasurer (Hallie Thompson)
1. Travel awards due Friday, April 25, 2014; to be announced in early May

G. Vice President (Eric Hucker)

1. Open Forums for displaced University Village students

ANNOUNCEMENT OF PUBLIC FORUMS
The University of Missouri Graduate Professional Council announces two PUBLIC FORUMS open to all graduate and professional students. Comments, concerns, and views concerning student needs from the graduate-professional community on the topics of CHILD CARE FOR GRADUATE-PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS and HOUSING FOR GRADUATE-PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS will be taken at these forums. Any MU graduate or professional student is welcome and encouraged to attend. Students may attend all or part of the forums as time permits. The forums will be moderated by Eric A. Hucker, GPC Vice-President. Jake Wright, GPC President, will also be in attendance.

Two forums will be held:

CHILD CARE FOR GRADUATE-PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS
Wednesday, April 2, 2014
10:30AM – 1:00PM
Stotler Lounge, Memorial Union
518 Hitt Street, Columbia, MO 65211

HOUSING FOR GRADUATE-PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS
Thursday, April 3, 2014
7:30PM – 10:00PM
Stotler Lounge, Memorial Union
518 Hitt Street, Columbia, MO 65211

In an effort to maximize the number of comments taken, speakers are asked to keep remarks to no more than four minutes. All public comments from graduate-professional students regarding the forum topics are welcome and encouraged.

If you require special accommodations in order to participate in this forum, please contact Eric A. Hucker at gpcvicepresident@missouri.edu.

For those unable to attend, written comments related to either topic may be submitted to:

Housing/Childcare Public Forum Comments
Graduate Professional Council
2500 MU Student Center
Columbia, MO 65211

OR emailed with the subject line “Housing/Childcare Public Forum Comments” to:

gpc@missouri.edu
H. President (Jacob Wright)
   1. Come to Call Congress Day, April 9, 2014
   2. (For Salama) Salama sent out ASUM survey – fill it out
   3. (For Salama) Legislative Advocacy Day in Jefferson City
   4. Graduate School has been dissolved
      a. No longer searching for a new Dean
      b. New administrative structure in place
   5. This is Jake's last meeting with GPC; he will be graduating

V. Liaison Reports
   A. Jordan Hoyt, Status of Women Committee
      1. Gender-based salary inequity; hasn't been studied at Mizzou since 1963
      2. Study will be funded, will be performed at Mizzou

VI. Special Orders
    A. At-Large Representative elections
       1. None

VII. Old Business
     A. Report from Jake Wright
        1. The presentation of Assembly Resolution 1314-05 to Mrs. Britt and Fire Station No. 1

VIII. New Business
      A. General Funding Request – Computer Science Graduate Student Council and Upsilon Pi Epsilon BBQ and Poster Competition
         1. Slides
General Funding Request

Organization: Computer Science Graduate Student Council and Upsilon Pi Epsilon
Number of Active Members: 5+7

Event

• Time: April 25, 2014
  Poster Competition: 11:00-12:15 PM
  BBQ: 12:15-2:30 PM

• Place:
  POSTER: EBW 222
  BBQ: PEACE PARK

• Description:
The poster competition is a great opportunity for graduate students to promote your research, get feedback, meet other students and professors, and learn interesting things from your fellow students. The top three places will be awarded with cash prices and be announced to the whole MU campus to honor their work, contribution and dedication.
Marketing

- Print: Flyer = $30.00
- Outdoor: BBQ = $370.97
- Media (Television, and Radio): Nil
- Webs: Nil
- Other: Prizes = $450.00 (Funded by deptt. Of Computer Science)

Budget and Funding Sources

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Total cost: $400.97
Benefits to Graduate and Professional Students

- Educational: a platform for the graduate students to expose their research
- Social: BBQ party
- Other: learn interesting things and other innovative ideas from fellow students, post doc and professors.
- Total Requested from GPC: $400.97

2. Finance Committee recommends funding at $400.97
   a. Has been funded in past for $250
   b. Motion to fund at $400.97: Shelli Homer, English; Second: Zack Buck, Physics

B. Social Event
   1. Party at Déjà Vu
C. 2014-2015 Officer Elections

1. President
   a. Nominations
      i. Hallie Thompson
   b. Election
      i. Ms. Thompson wins unanimously

2. Vice President
   a. Nominations
      i. Eric Hucker
   b. Election
i. Mr. Hucker wins unanimously

3. Treasurer
   a. Nominations
      i. Alex Howe
   b. Election
      i. Mr. Howe wins unanimously

4. Secretary
   a. Nominations
      i. Marcelius Braxton
      ii. Michael Burfield
   b. Election
      i. Mr. Braxton wins

5. Director of Programming and Publicity
   a. Nominations
      i. Mike Steska
      ii. Mike Burfield
   b. Election
      i. Mike Steska wins

6. Director of National Affairs
   a. Nominations
      i. Jesse Kremenak
   b. Election
      i. Mr. Kremenak wins unanimously

7. Director of State Affairs
   a. Nominations
      i. Matt McCune
   b. Election
      i. Mr. McCune wins unanimously

IX. Open Forum
   A. Hallie Thompson
      1. NAGPS National Conference Committee will be forming soon to put on event in the fall
   B. Kristofferson Culmer
      2. Students should have the opportunity to speak up about their fees. This goes along with Grads Have Debt
   C. GSA Award applications are due this Friday

X. Adjournment
   A. Motion: Jake Wright, President (Motion officially to "GTFO")
   B. Seconded: Jordan Hoyt, At-large
Meeting Adjourned at 7:23 P.M.