

11/3 Minutes

Aaron welcomes everyone to the meeting and presents the agenda.

The Executive Board and the GSA advisors introduce themselves. A roll call of (soon to be) department representatives is taken.

Aaron reviews community agreements for the GSA meetings. Jasmine expands on this by describing the concepts of partial and situational knowledge. A question is raised on the definition of “respect the speaker” in regards to interrupting the speaker. “Respect the assembly” is raised as a community agreement. Aaron describes how the Executive Committee wishes to be as transparent as possible

Don introduces Miles Ashlock, who is here representing OSL, and Lana Smith-Hale, the grad students career services consultant.

Miles describes the process of how the Department Reps get their GSA rebates. Reps must create an account with OSL and get a website on OrgSync. Registration fee currently taken out of account, but GSA could vote to pay for these fees for all departments. Question over whom can be the advisor on the form. Question about departments listed on the forms Miles handed out and those not listed. Question over how much money is given in rebates. Question over department rep forms and how to let GSA Exec Committee know how many grad students are in the department. Question over rebates from previous years and whether they were given. Registered campus organizations also qualify for \$250 start up fee.

Christian gives an update on the monthly events being offered by grad div. Job panel in HFA/SS/GGSE today. CV and cover letter workshop tomorrow. Dissertation and Thesis Filling workshop November 17<sup>th</sup>. IRB workshop November 19<sup>th</sup>. Grad writers room in SRB open T/R morning, W afternoon. Master calendar on GradPost.

Lana goes over her responsibilities for career services as the Graduate Student Consultant. Located in SRB. Plug for articles on GradPost.

President’s Report: Vacancy in GSA Exec Board for VP Communications and Records. Replacement vote will be held next meeting. Interested parties should email Aaron. Temporary replacement hopefully by Exec Committee meeting next week. Aaron sitting on GGSE Dean Search Committee and OJA Search Committee. GGSE hasn’t met yet. OJA has only one finalist. Halloween was one of the tamest ever but email Aaron if anything unsavory or foul happened. CA forum for diversity in grad education being held at UCSB this Saturday. Over 400 recruiters and around 1900 grad students. Looking for volunteers. Million Student March November 12<sup>th</sup> being held nationally at over 90 universities, calling for free public tuition, cancellation of student debt, and \$15/hr minimum wage for campus workers. Teach in preparing for march this Wednesday. Discussion over whether GSA should sign on. UCSA has

signed on already. Challenges over getting minutes available. New banner for balcony being designed. Gofundme account to raise money for Andy Sanchez's family. Aaron personally working for creating a mural on East facing wall, rename SRB, and leaving GSA better than we found it.

VP Internal Report: Assembly procedure handout describing voting process for GSA. Hopefully, this will facilitate discussion and save time. Sam serving as Parliamentarian. Agenda items emailed to Aaron 24 hours before meeting. Question over whether that should be one business day. Votes done by roll call. Question over whether votes should be done publicly or privately. Food now served at 5:30.

VP External Report: UCSA Oct. meeting in Riverside. Discussed how to support Million Students March. Working on Master Task List for UCSA graduate agenda. Working on having grad student lobbying effort with Government Relations Director. Food Security. UCSA graduate policy journal published, with papers by Yanira and Tim, among others. Need grad student representatives for UC system-wide committees. Applications due tomorrow. SOCC is this weekend at Berkeley. 8-member graduate student delegation, including Yanira, this year, up from 5 last year. Looking for GSA Legislative Director. Help Yanira at UCSA meetings. Travel expenses included in Yanira's budget. Also includes a \$1500 stipend. Applications should be emailed to Yanira.

VP Student Affairs: Dinner at St. Michael's Church for Black Lives Matter. Signs at Church vandalized.

VPAA

Still soliciting input for Teaching Award. Concerns about structure of award and how divided among disciplines. Concerns about similarities about our award and the Academic Senate (?) Email John to give input. Lunch and Learn Update (still working on the name; may confuse a similarly named staff meeting)- to bridge the library gap; speakers from different disciplines; to get to know people in other departments; trial soft run. Looking for feedback on this event. Going to be Friday Nov 13 or Tuesday Nov 17.

VP Budget Report: Overview of budget due to lack of quorum at last meeting. Increase in line items for bagel hour. Increase in Yanira's budget so she can attend all meetings. Raise to lounge employees. Increase in stipend for legislative liaison. Half of administrative manager paid for by GSA. Change in co-sponsorship procedure: Exec board will provisionally approve or deny co-sponsorships prior to assembly meeting. A representative for the event will speak to the assembly to advertise the event. Assembly will batch ratify the co-sponsorships. Two co-sponsorship requests today.

I.A.S.B. actually requested last month, which was approved. Must approve again due to lack of quorum.

UCSB Library requested \$500 for UCSB Reads program. This year's book is Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption by Bryan Stevenson.

Question about when we vote on these and where the people are to pitch the event.

VP ComPlan Report: Grad student survey up. Initial reports concern housing, more focus on STEM. 4 Happy Hours last week. Event in Isla Vista the biggest. Thinking of moving SB downtown event to State St. Still need committee reps, namely governing documents revision committee. Question about having 4 Happy Hour's in one week, how food was paid for, and whether the old system of having the Happy Hour the last Friday of the month is preferable. Question over the time frame for appointment to a committee.

#### Action Items

Budget: Emma motioned to approve the budget. Meg seconded. No discussion. Approved unanimously.

Co-Sponsorships: Travis motioned to approve both co-sponsorships, Amanda seconded. Question about UCSB library getting \$500 and whether the money should come from co-sponsorship line item, as this is more a campus event and not a student run event. Precedent caps co-sponsorships at \$300. Emma proposed amending UCSB library co-sponsorship to \$300. Travis accepted the amendment. Tim motions for extra two minutes of discussion. No second. Motion moved to vote. Both Co-sponsorships approved unanimously at \$300 each. Question raised about how far in advance a group can ask for co-sponsorship.

Student Advisor Resolution: Currently, there is one student regent and one in training. Hopeful to create a second student regent position, so there is one undergrad and one grad. Proposal calls for the creation of a Student Advisor position as an initial step, as there is resistance from other regents. Question about how many regents there are. Question about undergrad/grad status of student regent over time. Emma motioned to support the creation of the position. Meg seconded. Tim mentioned this is a purely symbolic gesture. Question about whether reps could abstain. Motion approved unanimously and without abstention.

Mural Project: Aaron working for a mural to be painted on the east facing wall of this building. Meg motioned to form a committee for UCEN mural project. Emma seconded. No discussion. No opposed, no abstentions. Motion approved.

SRB Renaming Proposal: Aaron working for SRB to be renamed Michael D. Young SRB. Three clauses are renaming the building, creating a scholarship in Michael Young's name, and ensuring adequate student representation on search committee

for his replacement. The latter two clauses have already been achieved. Meg motioned to support the three clauses, Andrew seconded. Discussion: Pro-student initiated. No further discussion. Friendly amendment by Meg to approve the latter two clauses as symbolic. Emma accepted.

Announcements: Motion to end the meeting by Meg. Tim objects. No second to motion. Tim talks about procedures regarding union grievances. Sam notes that this is not an announcement but should be on the agenda. Meg motion to adjourn. Tim and Emma seconded. No objections or abstentions. Meeting adjourned.