GSA General Assembly
October 9th 2018

Meeting starts 6:07 pm

Motioned to approve minutes, second, consent, no abstentions

- Roll Call
  - 18 departments signed in

- Community Guidelines
  - Voting: 50% +1 to pass
  - Respect the speaker
  - No cell phones/recording
  - Be engaged
  - Step up/step back
  - One Mic, One Diva
  - Decorum

- UCSB AS Food Bank
  - Eric Nava and Daniel
  - Open: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:30 AM to 6PM
  - 3rd floor of the UCen
  - Drop-by and grab free groceries and home essentials
  - Students can come in once a day, so four times a week
  - If you want to find out more, stop by
  - CalFresh representatives are there
  - www.Food.ucsb.edu

- Health and Wellness
  - Camille
  - Website: http://wellness.sa.ucsb.edu/grads
  - Two main grad events this quarter
    - Intro to meditation: Oct 18th 12:30-1:30PM - SRB 1st Floor Conference Room
    - Speed Friending Event: Oct 31st 12-1PM - SRB, Multi-purpose Room
  - Wellness Points Tiers App
- Download the GooseChase App and platform
- Look for Graduate student wellness challenge
- Points get you different things
- Trying to get grad students more involved

- **UAW 2865**
  - Emma Schuster
  - UCPath transition:
    - Payroll issues (like not being paid on time, or four times a quarter, paid more or less, fees not being paid on time)
    - Fill out this Google form if you have had issues: [www.tinyurl.com/paymeplz](http://www.tinyurl.com/paymeplz)
  - Reimbursements
    - The Union represents everyone
    - Encourage students to join the union

- **Student Health**
  - Dr. Mary Ferris
    - How can we best serve grad students?
    - Brochures on new health insurance plan
    - [www.studenthealth.sa.ucsb.edu](http://www.studenthealth.sa.ucsb.edu)
  - UCShip
    - Mobile App to get your Insurance ID
    - Self-funded plan through Anthem
    - You can go to student health centers in another UC campus
    - Dependents are mostly grad students spouses and children
    - After hours care: Urgent care centers
    - New feature: online health services, live chat for health online.
      - Trying to get feedback from this online services
    - To report issues go to the insurance office or through the contact email of student health
    - Delta Dental: separate website and there is a link for it in the app
    - UCShip Advisory Committee: GSA VP of Student Affairs
  - Drop in for flu shots
  - You can go to the health center and use the services even if your insurance has not been paid yet
  - Service to transport students from the health center to home, or pick you up. Call if you need a ride.
  - Send undergraduate students to the student health center if they seem ill or disturbed
  - Student Health can be part of orientation events in different departments
Co-Sponsorship Application

GSA contributes up to $300 for events

- Andrew Roberg from the Materials Department
  - GSDS: Graduate students for diversity in science
    - Founded in 2010
    - Brings speakers to campus
    - Outreach to nearby CSU Campuses
  - Graduate simulation Seminar Series (GS3)
    - Founded in 2014
    - Annual seminar series
    - Keynote speakers
  - Dow Diversity Speaker: Prof. Emily Carter
    - Princeton University
    - Goal of the event
      - Host 2 talks
        - Scientific research of Speaker
        - Diversity seminar

GSA Advisor and Student Affairs Report / Grad Div Reports

- Robert Hamm
- Don Lubach
  - Bird and Motorized vehicles Committee
    - Grad student representative in the Committee

Executive Reports

- Cierra, President
  - Welcome!
  - Goals and Plans for the year
    - Work hard, play hard
      - Mosher Time
    - Increase grad participation and representation
      - Underrepresented Students Receptions (one per quarter)
      - Fill ALL committees on campus
      - Survey about foci for GSA
      - Grad reps for GSA from ALL departments
      - Increase students attending events. GSA usually pays for your time and provides food in our events
    - Graduate Student Mental Health
● Grad Mental Health Conference - Winter 2019
● Looking for reps for this: See Cierra, Amanda and Jenny
● BIG GOALS: CAPS Grad specialist in the GSA Lounge

■ Resources to the GSA Lounge
● Mondays: DSP
● Wednesdays: CAPS 10-12 PM
● Thursdays:
  ■ Title IX 12:30-2:30 PM (even Thursdays)
  ■ CARE 10:30AM-12:30 PM (odd Thursdays)
  ■ Health and Wellness 10:30AM-12:30 PM

■ Concerns:
● UCPath Issues
● Internet Issues (on campus and housing)
● Healthcare Issues (access to mental health, dental, prescriptions)

● Luke, Budget and Finance (not here)

● Amanda, Committees & Planning
  ○ Mosher Time: first themed Mosher Time
    ■ Halloween Mosher Time: October 31st 5-8:30 PM
    ■ Costumes are mandatory
    ■ Have to bring UCSB Student ID and Govt Issued ID
  ○ Committee Appointments
    ■ Increase representatives in committees
    ■ We have to confirm committees representatives
    ■ Working on list of all committees
    ■ New Payment Process
      ● Google form in the website for reps to get paid
      ● Also have to detail committee activities and votes

● Paulina, Communications & Records
  ○ Website
    ■ Homepage has upcoming events and
    ■ Updating information
  ○ Social Media
    ■ Events on Facebook and pictures on Instagram
    ■ Follow us @GSAUCSB

● Raphael, Academic Affairs
  ○ Report from Graduate Council Committee
    ■ Committee about issues regarding graduate students
    ■ Grad Slam
    ■ Sexual harassment is one of the priorities this year
- NSF taking a strong stance on advisor advisee especially in Eng and fundamental sciences
  - New policy: if professor is reported to the university, they can also be reported directly to NSF for them to do their own investigation independent of the university. Depending on the results of the investigation NSF can take away funding from Professor or Department or University.
  - If you want to learn more about it contact Jenny Selvidge, VP of Student Affairs
- New incoming students: decrease in new students, especially international students. Increase in under-represented minorities: 20% of domestic students.
  - Summer report
    - Worked with grad div on the IDRF so it is more widely known for incoming students. Grad Div will also advertise it better to international students.
  - Goals
    - Workshops for graduate students on research
    - Expand emphasis

- Jenny Selvidge, Student Affairs
  - Goals
    - Graduate Student Mental Health
      - Hire CAPS grad specialist
      - Increase a Grad Student group Therapy Options
      - Increase appt limits in CAPS
      - Work with student affairs to create an experience survey
      - Increase advertising of services to grad students
    - Sexual Misconduct Prevention and Response for Grads
      - In-person trainings
      - Advocate for grad community
      - Increase advertising of CARE and Title IX
    - Secure Funding for Diversity Programs Director and Assistant Director Positions
    - Increase graduate student representation in student affairs departments
  - SVSH Policy Overview
    - Formal Review Period of UC-Wide Sexual Violence and Sexual Harassment Policy
      - Responsible Employees
      - Consent definition changed from sober to incapacitated
      - Power imbalances taken into account now
      - Statutory rape
      - Retaliation Definition clarified
      - Scope of Policy better defined
• Alcohol Amnesty Policy clarified

• Leihua, External Affairs
  ○ Represent our campus at UCSA and UCGPC Board meetings
    ■ Position open for Legislative Liaison
    ■ Grad parents and housing (cost and availability)
    ■ International Grad Students
    ■ Career support for grad students

• Heather, Internal Affairs
  ○ Changes to GSA Lounge reservation policy: giving priority to graduate students and grad orgs
  ○ Keycards available for graduate students
  ○ Bagel Hour is back!
  ○ Comments? Suggestions for improvements in the lounge?
    gsaloungereservations@gmail.com

Action Items

• Vote on co-sponsorship for GSDS and GS3
  ○ Motion, second, consent, no abstentions

• Announcements
  ○ Jenny Selvidge
    ■ Office Hours Wednesdays 12-1PM
    ■ Town Hall happening Monday at GSA Lounge

• End of meeting 7:55 PM