I. Call to Order – 6:31 pm

II. Approval of Minutes – approved

III. Guest Speakers
   I. Alexandra Blankenburg – Environmental Law Summit funding request of $1500-2000 –
      A. Would like GSSA to sponsor 2-3 panels on March 22nd and 23rd at the law school – plastic beyond straws, and pipeline. Silver level sponsor.
      B. Free to public. Marketed to entire city of New Orleans. Benefits graduate and undergraduate students. 500 people attended last year, big networking event for law and environmental science field.
      C. Have helped in the past. Gave $1500 last year and $1700 year before.
      D. Motion for 3 panels – approved. Will give $2000 to Environmental Law Summit

IV. Officer Reports
   I. President – Ted Sawyer (esawyer1@tulane.edu)
      A. Grad student survey update – entirely on grad students to get this done. GSSA reps have been passed along to the GAPSA committee and they hope to have a draft survey by next month
      B. Faculty Appreciation Award committee – one from SSE and one from SLA chosen from nominations. If interested in committee (4 needed – 2 SLA and 2 SSE) please contact Ted.
      C. Grant deadlines unchanged by Government shutdown
      D. Spring 2019 Career Workshop list is out – copy sent out. Focused on non-academia careers this semester
      E. GAPSA Spring Mixer: Is April 13th a good date? – in process of finding location. Tell Ted if this date won’t work.
      F. GAPSA/GSSA Executive Board positions available – Pres, VP and treasurer will need to be filled and all GAPSA positions. Contact the board member you would like to replace if interested.
      G. Tulane app testers needed: email Santha Rathnam (srathnam@tulane.edu) if interested

   II. Vice President – Zainab Lateefi (zlateefi@tulane.edu)
      A. Events Committee update – 1st meeting today went really well.
      B. Feb 1: Wine and Cheese Welcome Mixer – we’re going to have more wine and cheese and vegetarian options. There is a Facebook event.
      C. Feb 7: Trivia @ Bruno’s
      D. Responsibilities of a GSSA Rep (sober event monitors, event emails) –
         1. SEM acceptance form to get our event accepted. It hasn’t been accepted by Orgsync yet, so we need enough people to sign up. We need 1 SEM for every 50 people on our email list and we have around 800 invites going out. That means we need 16-20 SEMs – you don’t actually have to be attending the event or be sober during the event because we already have enough for the number of people who show up. Please take 2 minutes and fill out the form.
         2. Some people not getting event emails so please cc Zainab so that she can make sure departments are getting emails about events.
      E. Reps Appreciation Event (rough date?) – get together and get drinks etc. any suggestions can be emailed to Z.

   III. Treasurer – Brianne Sullivan (bsulliv7@tulane.edu)
      A. New Office Hours for Spring 2019 – Tuesdays and Thursdays 5-6 pm. Location TBD – In the SOC (Downstairs in the basement of LBC with yellow sign) right now, but it may be moved somewhere else.
      B. We were able to fund Spring 2019 travel at 80%
1. Glitch in the system and anyone with a name beginning with S-Z was not informed by email. – **can email Bree with any issues**

C. IDGO will support only 12 groups and there will be a waitlist after the initial 12.
   1. $1000/year per group
   2. Must be recognized by a subsidiary sitting group and must have members from 3 or more departments.

D. Currently we have **$13,335.26** in the bank for events.

E. We have **$4,893.34** for speakers

F. Thus, **$18,228.60** total

G. Event Requests

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No requests over 250
Motion to approve all events as a slate – seconded – approved
Motion to vote on the slate – seconded - approved

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Motion to approve – seconded – approved

IV. Secretary – Amanda Reusch (areusch@tulane.edu)
A. Any new reps for the spring semester please see or email me

V. New Business – To become a part of IDGO groups need to be recognized by a subsidiary group (that’s us). They will need to sit in at 3 meetings, after which they can submit constitution to subsidiary and then the 5th meeting it will be voted upon. 2 groups looking for GSSA approval for IDGO.
   A. Computational Biology at Tulane (COMBAT) (2nd sitting in meeting) – medical school, neuroscience, cell and molecular bio 20ish students
   B. Hispanic/LatinX graduate students group (1st meeting) – for any department.

VI. Old Business

VII. Announcements – Latin American grad conference Feb 1st – 3rd Ethnomusicology in Brazil.

VIII. Adjournment – 7:04pm