

# GSSA Assembly Meeting

## Agenda

30 January 2025 / Zoom

- I. Call to order **6:03 PM**
- II. Approval of minutes and adoption of agenda **Approved as read**
- III. Officer Reports
  - A. President- [president.gssa@tulane.edu](mailto:president.gssa@tulane.edu)
    - i. Discussion and vote on GSSA meeting dates:
      1. 2 online and 2 in person meetings – 30 Jan, 27 Feb, 3 Apr, 1 May
      2. 4 online meeting – 30 Jan, 20 Feb, 27 Mar, 24 Apr and 1 in person reception for reps **-Assembly Approved this option**
  - B. Vice President – [vp.gssa@tulane.edu](mailto:vp.gssa@tulane.edu)
    - i. We will have two Trivia Nights at Cooter Browns this semester and we need at least two sober monitors for these each of these events. Here are the dates for the Trivia Nights.
      1. ~~Thursday, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM~~ This date will be changed to one in March due to the previous decision on the meeting dates above VP will email soon with alternative date
      2. Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM
  - C. Treasurer – [treasurer.gssa@tulane.edu](mailto:treasurer.gssa@tulane.edu)
    - i. Fall Event Reimbursements- completed
      1. **One or two still in flux but accounting department has the reimbursements on their end**
    - ii. Summer Travel Application- NOW OPEN **See link on GSSA website for application**
    - iii. **Events- Current Budget= \$10,887 total**

### Events up to \$300

Requestor's Name	Requestor's Department	Event Title	Event Start Date	Estimated # of Attendees and Affiliation	Amount Requested	Per Person (\$)
Arthur Monning	English – GSSA	Incoming 4+1 and Current Graduate Student Mixer	2/21/2025	30	\$250	\$8.3
Brooke Montgomery	Psychology – GSSA	Friday Fun Day	2/21/2025	33	\$290	\$8.79
Naufil Sakran	Mathematics – GSSA	Graduate Student Colloquium	2/11/2025	25	\$200	\$8
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Hannah Eiseman	Ecology & Evolutionary Biology – GSSA	CREEP Meeting (February)	2/19/2025	20	\$299	\$14.95
Miller Dickerson	Biomedical Engineering – GSSA	King Cake & Coffee	2/21/2025	30	\$260	\$8.67

Ziyu Zhou	Computer Science – GSSA	Computer Science Graduate Student Colloquia	2/5/2025	15	\$150	\$10
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				<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,799</b>	

#### Events Over \$300

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Olivia Shorter	Linguistics – GSSA	Tulane Conference for Linguistics	3/15/2025	Graduate students and faculty, and non-affiliates of Tulane, graduate and faculty	\$750	?

Events Approved? **Yes, all events approved; Honorarium will come from separate budget**

**Final Budget: \$8,688**

#### IV. New Business

- A. GAPSA Senator Report-
- B. Graduate Council Report- **Meetings on Wednesdays at 8:30 am on Zoom; Ashley West to join**
- C. SLA Graduate Studies Committee Report-**Can't say anything it is confidential**
- D. SSE Graduate Representative Report-
- E. OISS Liaison Report-
- F. TU talks – Olaide- **(Had mic troubles so typed in chat) Hello Everyone, we spoke about TU Talks last semester and it continues on the 11th of February. It is going to be every other Tuesday by 4pm at Gibson 325. This is the summary of what TU Talks entail: "TU Talks" is dedicated to providing graduate students with the opportunity to present their research, connect with peers, and enhance their academic journey. It's just an hour biweekly, on Tuesdays looking for more speakers to give talks-attached the sign-up link here: <https://forms.gle/8FJJpuNowRSWesuK8>**

#### V. Old Business

- A. **SLA stipend people met with the dean but was told they will not have any concrete answers until August, yet another faculty member told them that the budget was already settled; in the following academic year SLAs may see an increase in about \$700-800 dollars/ other half of insurance covered. They will be looking to send out another survey to collect more data to present to the dean; urges other departments to reach out to their deans as well**

#### VI. Announcements

- A. **Finance/budget committee will be getting an email soon from chase**

#### VII. Adjournment **6:34**