GSSA Assembly Meeting

Agenda

20 February 2025 / Zoom

I.   Call to order 6:02 PM
II. Approval of minutes and adoption of agenda- approved as written
III. Officer Reports
    A. President- president.gssa@tulane.edu
        i.   Discussion on student payment for events-recommends that everyone asks for their departments to pay for events on department cards; if not get in touch with e-board and Jennifer O'Brien Brown may be able to get this paid through GSSA especially if its $300
        ii. New policy now requires explanation for any student coming out of pocket for more than $100
        iii. Basically, reimbursements are only done twice a year so if a student is waiting for this money they will be waiting for a while; get your department to cover it and that's less stress on student money
        iv. Faculty Mentor Award
             1. 3 SSE 5 SLA nominations; committee will be getting together to pick a winner
    B. Vice President – vp.gssa@tulane.edu
        i.   Trivia Night at Cooter Browns on Weds. Feb. 26 from 6-8 PM
             1. Switched to Wednesday because Muses is on Thursday
             2. 04/25 is the spring mixer we will need sober monitors
    C. Secretary- secretary.gssaa@tulane.edu
        i.   Replacement reps for the new semester; Please notify me with change
        ii. Any rep switches please email me with new rep name
    D. Treasurer – treasurer.gssa@tulane.edu
        i.   Current Budget: $8,688

Events up to $300

Requestor's Name	Requestor's Department	Event Title	Event Start Date	Estimated # of Attendees and Affiliation	Amount Requested	Per Person ($)
India Pursell	Neuroscience – GSSA	March DUNNK Meeting – Mostany Lab	3/14/2025	25	250	$10
Md Asif Hasan	Earth & Environmental Sciences – GSSA	EES Back to Semester Dinner Spring2025	2/28/2025	20	250	$12.5
Hannah Eiseman	Ecology & Evolutionary Biology – GSSA	CREEP Meeting (March)	3/13/2025	20	299	$14.95
Jiachen Shi	Political Science – GSSA	PhD gathering	3/12/2025	35	299	$8.5

Dichen Wang	Chemistry – GSSA	CGSA Departmental Meeting	3/12/2025	50	300	$6
Ziyu Zhou	Computer Science – GSSA	Computer Science Graduate Student Colloquia	3/12/2025	15	150	$10
			3/26/2025	15	150	$10
				Total:	$1,698	

Events Over $300

Requestor's Name	Requestor's Department	Event Title	Event Start Date	Estimated # of Attendees and Affiliation	Amount Requested	Per Person ($)
Rex Fan	Psychology – GSSA	SweetSoulFodd Day	3/28/2025	33 grad students	300	$9.1
Ashley West	Psychology – GSSA	Friday Round Up Lunch	3/21/2025	30	270	$9
Ashley West	Psychology – GSSA	Parish Pi Party	3/14/2025	30	297.2	$9.91
				Total:	$867.2	

Motion to form slate; 2nd

Motion to fund slate; 2nd

Slate of all events under $300 approved and funded

Motion to vote for approval on 1st Psych event-2nd

1st event approved

Motion to vote for approval on 2nd Psych event-2nd

2nd event approved

Motion to vote for approval on 3rd Psych event-2nd

3rd event approved

Events Approved? All events approved

Final Budget: $6,122.80

IV.   New Business
      A. GAPSA Senator Report
          i. Concerns with student transportation and safety
          ii. New Jewish grad students at Tulane student org
          iii. Spring mixer 1,200 students allowed
                1. Form is only open to grad students but two weeks before plus ones can pay the door fee to get into the event if it is not at capacity
          iv. 2/21 is the deadline for GAPSA executive board nominations
          v. $500 per semester for any student org event
      B. Graduate Council Report
          i. Added the provost to the process of being dismissed from a graduate program so you can appeal here as well
          ii. Talked about NIH funding but no info yet on how that will look in the future
      C. SLA Graduate Studies Committee Report
          i. No meeting this month
      D. SSE Graduate Representative Report
      E. OISS Liaison Report
      F. Rooms outside of EMS
          i. Having trouble getting wavesync approval when a room is not on ems
          ii. Will look into asking JBB about fixing this issue
V.   Old Business
VI.   Announcements
      A. Both GAPSA and GSSA need sober monitors for spring mixers
      B. Both are also holding e-board nominations
VII.   Adjournment 6:40PM