GSSA Assembly Meeting

Minutes

2/23/23 / LBC 203 Stibbs

1. Call to order 6:02
2. Approval of minutes and adoption of agenda approved as is
3. Officer Reports
   1. President – [president.gssa@tulane.edu](mailto:president.gssa@tulane.edu)
      1. Next meeting, March 30th is zoom only. ELECTIONS!
      2. Looking for faculty nominations for the GSSA Faculty Award
      3. Spiel for president’s position
      4. Changes to regalia interest form
      5. Regalia Interest Form: [click here](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1I4XXanf45KxVGyWKdRc6GgBUGntwJDCIsO9hJGPqzng/prefill)
   2. Vice President – [vp.gssa@tulane.edu](mailto:vp.gssa@tulane.edu)
      1. Event dates update: TOMM Friday 2/24 Wellness workshop @ Diboll (10 am – 12 pm)
      2. Event dates update: Thursday 3/9 Trivia Night @ cooter brown’s (4-7 pm)
      3. Event dates update: Friday 3/17 Wellness workshop @ Diboll (10 am – 12 pm)
      4. (Tentative) Event dates update: Thursday 3/23 Trivia Night @ Cooter Browns (4-7 pm)
      5. Event dates update: Friday 4/14 Wellness workshop @ Diboll (10 am – 12 pm)
      6. FUNDING PRIORITY SURVEY: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdXYMX0-Gr2is1cjPifceWkgniOyEZaGj5RaZP0LzZxYb_gMg/viewform>
      7. Google sign-up sheet for tomm’s (Fri 2/24) wellness workshop (please share and join for either one or both sessions!!) <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18E-onq00hMwhHbzU6hvoYIaN-CcbS6MqEnmX3CFD5HU/edit#gid=0>

Funding priority survey open for two weeks.

* 1. Treasurer – [treasurer.gssa@tulane.edu](mailto:treasurer.gssa@tulane.edu)

1. **Spiel**
   1. Search for new treasurer>it’s training time, elections next week
   2. Track and process spending/requests
   3. Meet with JOBB, Dean Cunningham
   4. Make changes you want to see
   5. Possibly paid next year, workload reorganized
   6. Good position if you can: work with Excel, be organized
2. **Notes**
   1. Regular (e.g. weekly) events to be processed as a bundle now
   2. Request those reimbursements: December through February, several unsubmitted
3. **Honoraria**

As of last meeting: $1,150

New requests: either need cosponsors, or a move to reallocate funds from visiting professionals budget (has $6,000 in it, any dept can request up to $700 from it for a speaker).

Does anyone move to cosponsor?

Or to reallocate funds?

Motion to reallocate $700 of funds

Motion seconded

Motion passed

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| Stephanie Steele | Studio Art | MFA Professional Development Workshop Series | 3/10/2023 | 350 |
| Stephanie Steele | Studio Art | MFA Professional Development Workshop Series | 4/7/2023 | 350 |
| Stephanie Steele | Studio Art | MFA Professional Development Workshop Series | 4/21/2023 | 350 |
|  |  |  | Total | **$1,050** |

Motion to fund studio art event on 3/10

Motion seconded

Motion passed

Motion to fund studio art event on 4/7

Motion seconded

Motion passed

Motion to fund studio art event on 4/21

Motion seconded

Motion passed

1. **Departmental Events**

$8,236 left in events budget (assuming no VP proposals this week)

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| **Requestor** | **Department** | **Event Title** | **Date** | **Amount Requested** | **Per Event** | **People** | **Per Person** | **Pays for** |
| Emma | RCSE | RCSE Departmental Meeting | 3/8/2023 | 200 | 200 | 20 | 10 | Catered lunch |
| Lovia Feliscar | psychology | psychology meet up | 3/15/2023 | 200 | 200 | 15 | 13.33 | coffee, light breakfast foods |
| Lovia Feliscar | psychology | psychology meet up | 4/26/2023 | 200 | 200 | 15 | 13.33 | coffee, light breakfast foods |
| Xena Fitzgerald | Art History & Latin American Studies | Joint PhD | 3/15/2023  Moved to 19th | 210 | 210 | 6 | 35\* | Entrée and apps |
| Zachary Plumley | Neuroscience | DUNNK March Meeting | 3/17/2023 | 250 | 250 | 25 | 10 | Coffee/pastries |
| Lovia Feliscar | psychology | Psychology Meet Up | 3/3/2023 | 250 | 250 | 15 | 16.67 | food, non alcoholic drinks |
| Lovia Feliscar | psychology | psychology meet up | 3/31/2023 | 250 | 250 | 15 | 16.67 | food and non alcoholic drinks |
| lovia Feliscar | psychology | psychology meet up | 4/14/2023 | 250 | 250 | 15 | 16.67 | food and non-alcoholic drink |
| Lovia Feliscar | psychology | psychology meet up | 4/21/2023 | 250 | 250 | 15 | 16.67 | food and nonalcoholic drinks |
| Godservice Eziefule | EEB | CREEP Meeting | 3/9/2023 | 280 | 280 | 20 | 14 | Burritos from Pachita's |
| Taotao Jing | CS | CS Grad Student Colloquia | 3/1, 3/8, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29 | 500 | 100 | 12 | 8.33 | Food and soda |
|  |  |  | **Total w/ events under $300** | **$2,840.00** | $5,396would remain |  |  |  |
| Kasun Mendis | Chemistry | Chemistry Departmental Meeting | 3/1/2023 | 300 | 300 | 70 | 4.285714286 | snacks/pizza, non alcoholic drinks |
| Kasun Mendis | Chemistry | Chemistry Departmental Meeting | 4/12/2023 | 300 | 300 | 70 | 4.285714286 | snacks/pizza, non alcoholic drinks |
| Kasun Mendis | Chemistry | Chemistry Departmental Meeting | 5/17/2023 | 300 | 300 | 70 | 4.285714286 | snacks/pizza, non alcoholic drinks |
| Kasun Mendis | Chemistry | Chemistry Departmental Meeting | 6/7/2023 | 300 | 300 | 70 | 4.285714286 | snacks/pizza, non alcoholic drinks |
| Kendall Medford | Linguistics | 2023 Tulane Conference on Linguistics | 4/14/2023 | 500 | 250 | 50 | 5 | snacks, non alcoholic drinks, plates, posters |
| Ekanshu Mallick | Earth and Environmental Sciences | Grill and chill | 3/24/2023 | 500 | 500 | 40 | 12.5 | meat, fuel, nonalcoholic beverages, sides, plates etc. |
|  |  |  | **Total w/ events at least $300** | **$5,040.00** | $3,196would remain |  |  |  |

Are people comfortable with this remaining amount? (It’s enough for e.g. 10 $300 events or ~16 $200 events)

Motion to vote on all events under $300 as a slate

Motion seconded

Motions passed

Motion to fund all events under $300

Motion seconded

Motion passed

Motion to fund chemistry meeting on 3/1

Motion seconded

Motion passes

Motion to fund chemistry meeting on 4/12

Motion seconded

Motion passes

Motion to fund chemistry meeting on 5/17

Motion seconded

Motion passes

Motion to fund chemistry meeting on 6/7

Motion seconded

Motion passes

Motion to fund linguistics conference

Motion seconded

Motion passes

Motion to fund EES grill and chill

Motion seconded

Motion passes

* 1. Secretary – [secretary.gssa@tulane.edu](mailto:secretary.gssa@tulane.edu)

1. I will be sending out an excel sheet to be filled out by the reps that will have information on event funding requested vs actual funding spent.
2. New Business
   1. GAPSA Senator Report
   2. Graduate Council Report
   3. SLA Graduate Studies Committee Report
   4. OISS Liaison Report

Q. can you propose events at the beginning of the semester for the whole semester

A. Yes

1. Old Business
2. Announcements
   1. SACNAS – The Society for Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS) aims to further the success of Chicano/Hispanic and Native American students in obtaining advanced degrees, careers, leadership positions, and equality in the STEM field.
   2. Contact Judith Santano ([jsantano@tulane.edu](mailto:jsantano@tulane.edu)) for more info
3. Adjournment 6:58