

Graduate Professional Student Committee

March 2nd, 2020 - Agenda

Time: 12:45 pm

Location: SGA Conference Room

Invitation sent to:

Name	Email	Attendance
Maryam Rafieifar	mrafi007@fiu.edu	Present
Angel Algarin	aalga016@fiu.edu	Present
Shahnawaz Rafi	srafi004@fiu.edu	Present
Michaela Mills	mmill185@med.fiu.edu	Present
Marko Nikitovic	sbasga@fiu.edu	Present
Angelica Moncada	amonc002@fiu.edu	Present
Teresa Amador	tamador@fiu.edu	Present
Michelle Castro	mimcast@fiu.edu	Present
SGA Internal Affairs	SGAinternal@fiu.edu	Absent
SGA Speaker	sgaspeaker@fiu.edu	Absent
Christian Perez	cmiperez@fiu.edu	Absent

For this meeting we addressed the following points:

1. Teresa:
 - a. She got an invoice of an unknown flyer PR was made for 2800 but did not include shipping and handling. Final invoice was \$3044
 - b. Confirmed Vicky's order is on the 30th
 - c. Delivery for Panera is from 12:15 to 12:30. Teresa needs to place the order online.
 - d. Chilis will be payed on the same day
 - e. Boucher can be picked up 2 days before.
 - f. Make sure to pick up the publix drinks before 5:30 PM because they need to call Teresa for confirmation
 - g. Add napkins, paper towels, trash bags (Teresa can give us bags)
 - h. Reconsider travel funding applications:
 - i. Rime Jebai's application for travel funding (Angel's email)
 1. Vote: 6 yays - 0 nays - 0 abstentions. Vote Unanimously to accept the travel funds for Rime Jebai
2. Townhall / Pre-GSAW on the 10th
 - a. Agenda: check the room, food, introductions for each speaker, allow them to say what they are doing (5 - 10 mins), start questions from moderator (Angel), do 10 - 20 minutes open forum.
 - b. Talking points for the president:
 - i. Graduate student metrics
 - ii. How do you cater to specific graduate student needs?
 - iii. Research funding
 - iv. What are your current initiatives regarding graduate students and can you tell the graduate students a particular project.
 - v. What do you consider is the most pressing issue for graduate students?
 - vi. What are they doing regarding graduate stipends and housing accessibility for graduate student?
 - vii. What are the steps the university is taking regarding mental health for graduate students in particular
 - viii. How is the graduate school doing for Advisor and advisee relationships
 - c. Angel will get the drinks

- d. Get GAB volunteers
 - e. Have a box and paper for students who do not want to ask the question orally, have the moderator read them
 - f. Should we have a powerpoint and technical support?
 - i. No plan currently
 - ii. Michelle: we can do one for GPSC (how many students we have funded, introduction of the committee, etc.) there is a protocol of who gets introduced first and the president can have their own.
 - iii. We'll make a draft agenda and they will fix it.
 - iv. We can take the powerpoint already created.
3. GSAW
- a. Official DJ quote for social
 - b. Poster session
 - i. Tablets for judges?
 - ii. How to stick the posters to the partitions (buy pins?)
 - iii. Name tags - get them printed
 - iv. How many volunteers are needed for each session? - incentives are umbrella, bag, stickers
 - v. Division of tasks
 - vi. Poster tubes arrived - leave them in the office
4. Reach out to the Faculty Senate to promote GPSC travel funding
- a. Promote travel funding to faculty to provide to the students
 - b. Contact the faculty senate to present our funding opportunities
5. GPSC website outdated (Rafi)
- a. Add a link to the website on GSAW (gpsc.fiu.edu)
 - b. Delete the gradschool.fiu.edu (very outdated)
 - c. Michaela will talk to David

Meeting adjourned at 2:11 PM