



## Graduate & Professional Student Committee Agenda

Date: January, 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

Haley Dawson Present

Arturo Barahona Present

Ahmed Soliman Present

Nick Kukuk Present

Sarwar Minar Absent

Cole Sebastian Absent

Shebin George Absent

Larissa Adames Present

Teresa Amador Present

III. Unfinished Business

IV. New Business

a. Funding to Review – Teresa

- i. We are seeing an increase in the number of students applying for funding for professional development. This is, in part, due to the advertising that we did last semester.

b. Graduate Student Appreciation Week, Vote on Budget

- i. [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bU2\\_v-Qz\\_L0NUdJiz7udJM6StKz-ZfeG2CUDHeBJWr4/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bU2_v-Qz_L0NUdJiz7udJM6StKz-ZfeG2CUDHeBJWr4/edit?usp=sharing)
- ii. Everyone agrees ice cream social is a good idea. Next steps are to request a quote from Ben and Jerry's as it seems it will be cheaper than Chartwells.

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- iii. Graduate Organization Tabling. The idea is to host a separate event at each campus and to make sure these events do not overlap. Ahmed will look into possible places where we can host a tabling event at EC.
  - iv. Haley moved to vote on allocating \$20,000 dollars for GSAW, with the idea that we will do our best to keep it as low as possible. Arturo seconds the motion. The budget passed by unanimous consent. The team expresses that this amount is justified as we will be pooling the funds that were allocated for the Gradsfellars event that was not done in the Fall. Spending a larger amount of money will also help garner interest post-COVID and increase graduate student engagement.
- c. Increasing lodging for GPSC Funding
- i. Discussion and possible vote
    - 1. Nick expressed that he believes the \$100 cap on lodging is too low as lodging prices have been steadily increasing.
    - 2. Everyone agreed that it is something we need to further discuss, however, we need more information. We will table this until we know the official GPSC budget for next year. Arturo and Ahmed will also work with Teresa on calculating the average amount of funds that each student gets.
    - 3. Any changes made to the cap will not take effect until next year.
- d. Bi-weekly GPSC coffee hour?
- i. Update from Nick?
    - 1. Nick is working on the flyer to promote GPSC coffee hour.
    - 2. The conference room has been reserved for the scheduled event dates.
- e. Math symposium budget - Vote ON ~\$500 budget

Item	Cost	Quantity	Time	Total Cost	
Café con leche	25.99	3	Breakfast	77.97	<b>Total</b>
Panther Coffee	24.99	3	Breakfast	74.97	
Tray of assorted	9.49	6	Breakfast	56.94	
Ham Croquettes	8.49	3	Breakfast	25.47	
Chicken Croquet	8.99	3	Breakfast	26.97	
Café con leche	25.99	2	Break	51.98	
Panther Coffee	24.99	2	Break	49.98	
Ham, swiss and	9.99	2	Break	19.98	
Pigs in a blanket	9.49	2	Break	18.98	
Spanish empana	11.99	2	Break	23.98	
Cheese tequeño	17.99	2	Break	35.98	
i. Cubanitos	19.99	2	Break	39.98	

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- ii. In order to fund, GSPC requests the club adds the GPSC logo to the flyer and state that it is a SGA funded event. We will also request a list of all of the attendees for auditing purposes.
    - iii. Haley moves to vote on the allocation for \$505 for the Subtropic Symposium for Upcoming Mathematicians. Arturo seconds the motion. The motion unanimously passes.
  - f. Our first coffee hour will be on February 9<sup>th</sup> 2p-4p. Nick is in charge of the PR order. Larissa will take care of putting in the order for coffee and pastries with Vicky's on Monday.
- V. Reports
  - a. Senate Leadership
  - b. Committee
  - c. Advisor
- VI. Announcements
- VII. Meeting Adjournment