

Graduate & Professional Student Committee Meeting Minutes Date: March 22nd 2024

I. Call to Order: 4:39 pm

II. Roll Call

Haley Dawson

• Daniel Cabron

Ahmed Soliman

• Sarwar Minar

Ciara Jeneske

• Kanayo Nomeh

• Hossam Hussein

Larissa Adames

• Teresa Amador

- III. Invited Speaker
- IV. Unfinished Business
 - a. Updates from Teresa
 - i. Budget and GPSC funding shortage for the Spring semester
 - 1. We need to send out an elaborate email as soon as possible to inform the students that money is running out. They may still apply but approval is subject to availability of funds.
 - 2. We may also add a line in GPSC website to inform the students.
 - 3. We are waiting to receive news from Alex and UGS about fundings for GPSC for Spring.
 - b. Application process changes (in progress):

https://fiudit.sharepoint.com/:p:/r/sites/GPSC/Shared%20Documents/General/GPSC%20Presentation%20and%20Walkthrough%2002.21.24.pptx?d=wf5f39f45bf2b4d2a8ce6335a03fce4e6&csf=1&web=1&e=c1cHGS

- i. Letter of support changes in progress (removing letter requirement)
- ii. Change in progress of the GPSC "one mode of transportation" rule (GPSC will cover 2 Rideshare to and from Airport. Home to airport, airport home).
- iii. Still need headers and footers, but should we let students submit documents from any website (e.g., Kayak, MapQuest, Google Flights)?
- c. GPSC SOP Review (in progress): https://fiudit.sharepoint.com/:w:/r/sites/GPSC/Shared%20Documents/General/GP



SC%20SOP%20Spring%202024.docx?d=wc2b386be2564452284a729cbbddd4fe7&csf=1&web=1&e=KZ8ukF

- i. Additional roles other than Chair, Vice Chair, Events Coordinator, GSAW Coordinator, UGS Liaison (in progress)
- ii. Remove presentation required for PD we will discuss this/ vote for the following meeting.
- d. GSAW Updates:

https://fiudit.sharepoint.com/:x:/r/sites/GPSC/Shared%20Documents/General/GS AW%202024/GSAW%202024%20Tentative%20Schedule%20and%20Expenses.xlsx?d=wcb836e7167e343ae9d654672a315633d&csf=1&web=1&e=kjmjwl

- i. Please see schedule sent by Haley
 - 1. We need at least 1 GPSC member at each event for check-in and set up (e.g., picking up coffee, grabbing items from office). Giveaway items as well (where should we give away white sweatshirts and umbrellas?)
 - a. Scholarly Forum (poster tubes):
 - b. Frost Tour:
 - c. EC R&R (stickers, play dough, craft, color, coffee/snack): Ahmed and Hossam
 - d. Yoga (T and/or R)
 - e. MMC R&R (stickers, play dough, craft, color, coffee/snack): Haley, Sarwar, **Daniel**
 - f. Ice Cream Social (shirts)
 - i. MMC: Haley, Sarwar
 - ii. BBC: Larissa,
 - iii. EC: Ahmed, Hossam
 - g. BBC R&R (stickers, play dough, craft, color, coffee/snack):
 - h. Field Day: Alejandro, Daniel, Sarwar
 - i. Vocal Masterclass:
 - j. Star Party (goodie bags):
 - k. I-75 campus event (mix of items):

V. New Business

- a. Revising SOP to include Teresa/FIU administration as 'the reviewer' of applications:
 - The consensus is that we should revise SOP to reflect the current practice. Teresa mentioned that probably since 2017 she has been reviewing the applications, but she is open if new grad senators want to review applications. So, whatever we do, we need to have consistency both on rules and practice.



- b. Interim Vice President of GPSC
 - Hossam and Danial are open to serve as interim GPSC Vice President.
- c. Open forum for any new topics
- VI. Reports
 - a. Senate Leadership
 - b. Committee
 - c. Advisor
- VII. Announcements
- VIII. Meeting Adjournment: 4:57 pm