

## GSC minutes for 12/13/01 meeting

1. SRF Update--Mike VanSaun, tri-chair of SRF, said that he was looking into Stowers co-sponsoring the event with KUMC. Dr. Rawitch is speaking with Stowers representatives tomorrow.  
The chair of the Judging Committee has recently vacated their position. Mike, Ramsey, and Erica will probably assume the chair position if no other volunteers come forward.  
Choices for SRF speaker are being narrowed down and the finalization process will begin soon.  
SRF planning process is well underway and all committees are working on their tasks.
2. Faculty Appreciation Day--will be held on Friday, January 25, 2002  
For this event, students submit comments about their favorite faculty online and comments will be posted for faculty to read.  
As part of this event, a luncheon is held--The GSC needs to allocate funds to help sponsor the luncheon. Other schools will match funding.  
Ramsey McIntire motioned to allocate \$150.00 for Faculty Appreciation Day.  
Mike VanSaun seconded the motion.  
The motion was passed by a unanimous oral vote.  
Brian Hermann asked that Graduate Student participation in this event increase this year. (Last year, only 2 comments from Grad Students.)  
Web address--[http://www2.kumc.edu/students/msa/faculty\\_appreciation.htm](http://www2.kumc.edu/students/msa/faculty_appreciation.htm)
3. Brainstorming for GSC Fundraising--Scott Falke suggested printing t-shirts specific to Graduate Students as a fundraiser, since there currently are none.  
All agreed that this was a good idea and Brian Hermann said that he would work on it.  
Printing up coffee mugs was also suggested.
4. Tuition and Fees--Dr. Rawitch gave the GSC a presentation about the upcoming changes in KU tuition and fees.  
Three different proposals to raise tuition and fees have been created and one will be selected.
5. KU Graduate Student Survey--Online survey for graduate students  
Need us to fill out questionnaire to determine happiness of graduate students with KUMC program.  
Web Site--<http://www.gradsurvey.ku.edu/>  
User ID: kugrad  
Password: survey
6. Wellness Passport Program Participation:  
Nursing--1  
Graduate--2  
Allied Health-4  
Medicine--26  
  
Need to increase graduate student participation in wellness program if we want programs to be tailored to grad student needs.

7. Meet the Mentor Day Recap--held Saturday, November 17 from 9:30-12:30.  
Had 5 graduate students serve as mentors in the program.  
Program was success.  
Hope to increase participation next year.
8. Adopt a Family for Christmas--GSC adopted a family for Christmas last year.  
Through program, a family is adopted and approximately \$50.00 is spent per child.  
Scott Falke--motioned to adopt a family for Christmas  
Ramsey McIntire--seconded motion.  
Motion passed through a unanimous vote.  
\$100 allocated from GSC budget to spend on adopted family.
9. New Business--Dr. Rawitch announced that he had received an application for \$1000 fellowships. These fellowships are for women in doctoral programs that have (1) passed their qualifying exams and (2) plan to graduate in 2 years. He said to see him if interested in more details.
10. Next Meeting--Thursday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, MRRC Conference Room