

GSC Meeting Minutes November 4, 2008

In Attendance: Emily McDonald, Ozan Kumru, Brittany Gorres, Elizabeth Dille, Callie Ballenger, Bethany Stadalman, Natasha Curry, Phranil Mehta, Marcia Jones, Eric Rondeau, Di Zhang

Emily presented the meeting agenda: 1) Position Openings 2) Updates

1) Position Openings

- a. Student Governing Council Senators – Brittany Gorres explained the role of senators Callie Ballenger volunteered as a SON senator, one more is still needed.
- b. Committee Representatives – Emily McDonald strongly encouraged people to represent the two travel award committees for Graduate Student Travel award through SUC and Graduate Studies. Each committee meets 3-4 times per year.
- c. Several departments still need representatives: Biochemistry, Dietetics and Nutrition, Hearing and Speech, Nursing, Pharmacology and Toxicology

2) Updates

- a. Emily McDonald attended the Graduate Council Meeting 10-9-08.
 - i. A series titled 'Responsible Conduct in Research' is forming for post-doctoral/graduate students. Keep an eye out for upcoming seminars.
 - ii. Emily McDonald started talking with Dr. Bast about a series regarding alternative careers in Science.
- b. Emily McDonald attended the Student Union Corporation meeting.
 - i. Benches and tables for the library are coming soon. Electricity and wireless internet will be available outside for students to use.
 - ii. Someone is still stealing all the coffee/tea and supplies from the student lounge. This cannot continue or else it will be taken away. Measures are underway to catch the thief.
 - iii. New sticks/chalk and 8 ball have been ordered for the pool table.
 - iv. New TV's will be appearing soon in the Courtyard Café. The Café will also be repainted soon.
 - v. Courtyard Café will be starting a make-your-one-waffle station soon.
- c. A suggestion was made by a meeting attendee that there should be a sign-up sheet for study rooms located outside the student lounge. Emily McDonald suggested using Meeting Room Manager.
- d. Capitol Research Day will be April 16th in Topeka, Kansas.

3) Department Updates

- a. Physical Therapy – Research Day will be November 20, 2008. Third year students will present their research.
- b. Physiology – Blanket Drive will start soon.
- c. Microbiology – No updates.
- d. Nursing – No updates.

4) Committee Updates

- a. Kirmayer Fitness – Has not met yet.
- b. Wellness – Organizers would like ideas for future programs.

- c. Parking – Meeting attendee suggested more Blue phones should be put in the pit. Stated that they were given a 1 hour wait for an escort afterhours.
- 5) Student Research Forum
 - a. Emily McDonald and Ozan Kumru expressed a need for more volunteers. Positions are open that require all levels of participation.
 - b. SRF will be held April 9-10th, the workshop will be held on the 10th.
 - c. The next SRF organizational meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 8th at Noon.
- 6) GSC Social
 - a. KU watch party could not happen. The game was only shown on pay-per-view.
 - b. Next social may be in December. Idea – Basketball watch party.
- 7) The next meeting will be December 2nd, 2008. Same time and location. Room is already reserved.
- 8) Emily McDonald adjourned the meeting.

Graduate Student Council Meeting Agenda
October 6, 2008

1. Position Openings
 - a. Student Governing Council Senators
 - i. Allied Health (2)
 - ii. School of Nursing (2)
 - b. Committee Representatives
 - i. Graduate Student Travel Award (x2)
 - c. Department Representatives
 - i. Anatomy
 - ii. Biochemistry
 - iii. Dietetics and Nutrition
 - iv. Hearing and Speech
 - v. Nursing
 - vi. Occupational Therapy
 - vii. Pharmacology and Toxicology
2. Updates
 - a. Graduate Council Meeting 9.4.08
 - i. SUC travel award
 - b. EVC Meeting 9.17.08
 - i. Johnson County election
 - c. Student Leader Meeting 9.22.08
 - i. Library furniture
 - ii. Student center
 - d. Capitol Research Day planning meeting 9.26.08
 - e. Departments
 - f. Committees
 - g. SRF
 - i. April 9-10, 2009
 - ii. Speaker – Dr. Martin Pera, USC
 - iii. Organizational meeting Wednesday (10/8/08)
 - h. GSC social

The next GSC meeting will be Tuesday, November 4, 2008!!!