

Graduate Student Council Meeting--September 5, 2001

Discussion:

1. Fall 2001-Spring 2002 GSC Operating Budget

Brian Hermann led discussion of items that would be covered under the GSC operating budget. This money used is derived from student fees. Items mentioned included:

- Food for meetings
- Picnics and Graduate Student Parties
- Orientation
- Christmas Adopt-a-Family (Susanna suggested volunteering instead)
- Contribution to SRF (\$1500 last year)
- Student Travel Awards (\$1000 last year)

2. SRF Chair/Co-Chairs

Discussion was held to determine how much help was needed to Chair SRF. A chair and one or two vice-chairs were suggested.

Julie Carlsten was nominated for SRF Chair by Susanna Harju.
Julie suggested Mike Van Saun for SRF Co-Chair.
Christina Kaiser also volunteered to help.

Brian Hermann motioned to accept these nominations for SRF Chairs. Susanna Harju seconded. The nominations were approved by verbal vote. Brian told the nominees to think things over and let him know for sure by the end of the week.

3. Fall Party: tentatively set for Friday, September 21.

Erica Johnsrud will be planning the Fall Welcoming Party. The date was tentatively set for Friday, September 21. First year IGPBS students expressed concerns about having their test the following week. To allow them time to study and also for Erica to have more planning time, it was suggested that the party be moved to Friday, September 28. The new tentative date for the Fall Welcoming Party will be September 28 @ 5:00 @ Wyandotte Lake.

Brian Hermann motioned to approve the date change and Ryan Thummel seconded it. The motion carried by verbal vote.

4. Funds Transfer Vote

Brian Hermann motioned to transfer \$1000 to the GSC account when the budget is approved. Erica Johnsrud seconded the motion. The motion to transfer funds was approved by a verbal vote, unopposed.

5. Election of Senators (to the SGC)

Nominations/Volunteers were accepted to fill the three graduate school positions on the Student Governing Council.

Dr. Bast suggested that the Senators not be all from the same class.

Positions were filled by:

- Neal Acalay--1st year
- Numa Dancause--2nd year

Mary Johnston

Ramsey McIntire volunteered to serve as an alternate when needed.

The new Senators will attend the SGC meeting on 9/6/01.

6. New Business

Ramsey McIntire expressed concerns about the Student Health Insurance Plan from Mega Health & Life. Karen Rodriguez informed the students that different plans were available for GTAs and RAs. Students were encouraged to contact Elvie Brown @ x658 if they had any questions or concerns.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be announced via e-mail.