

Attendees: Emily McDonald, Ozan Kumru, Brittany Gorres, Stephanie Fiedler, Beth Dille, Argenia Doss, Aritra Bhattacharjee, Eric Rondeau, Jamie McCauley, Bethany Stadalman, Marty Baumbach, Jason Rucker, Lisa Vanhoose, Saddam Kana'an, Sara Billings, Rachel Stockdale, Phranil Mehta, Di Zhang, Zidong, Fu, Sharshan Wang, Pan Wang, Lynda McGinnis, Kevin Arnold, Brandon Carlson, Josh Brautigam, Marcia Jones, Cara Knipp, Ami Rughani, Hemant Chavan, Allen Rawitch

Emily presented the meeting agenda: 1.) Budget Approval 2.) Position Openings 3.) Updates 4.) Funding Applications

### **1.) Budget Approval**

Brittany went over the proposed budget. The only difference between this year and last year was a \$100 increase to organizations per semester. A motion was made by Genia Doss to pass the 2008/2009 budget. The motion was seconded by Eric Rondeau and the motion passed unanimously.

### **2.) Position Openings**

a. Secretary – Following Stephanie Fiedler's resignation from the position of Secretary, Beth Dille self-nominated for the position. Genia seconded the nomination. Emily made an acclamation to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Beth Dille was formally granted the position of Secretary.

#### **b. Student Governing Council Senators**

Marty Baumbach discussed the role of SGC. Phranil Mehta and Brittany Gorres volunteered as School of Medicine senators. Kevin Arnold and Brandon Carlson volunteered as At-Large Members. Positions stilled to be filled: Allied Health (2), School of Nursing (2).

#### **c. Committee Representatives**

The following students volunteered: Sarah Brachiano (Community Outreach), Beth Dille (Student Research Forum), Eric Rondeau (Kirmeyer), Di Zhang (International Exchange), Beth Dille (Student Wellness), Saddam Kana'an (SEAD), Rachel Stockdale (Library). Brandon Carlson mentioned that he may be interested in the Technology representative position. The following positions remain unfilled: Pulse Development, Graduate Student Travel Award, Student Health Outreach Team (SHOT), Technology.

#### **d. Department Representatives**

The following students volunteered: Kevin Arnold and Phranil Mehta (Health Policy and Management), Sara Billings (IGPBS), Ozan Kumru (Microbiology), Bethany Stadalman (Physical Therapy), Genia Doss (Physiology), Brandon Carlson (Public Health and Preventative Medicine). The following department representatives are still needed: Anatomy, Biochemistry, Dietetics and Nutrition, Hearing and Speech, Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Pharmacology and Toxicology

### **3.) Updates**

Emily mentioned that the library will soon be getting new outdoor furniture. Brandon Carlson asked if there is a blue emergency phone located near this area to ensure student safety during evening hours. Emily said she would find out about this. Also mentioned were the updates to the Student Center. Free coffee to students... check it out! The Graduate Council Meeting on 8-7-08 discussed the upcoming pay raise to GTAs and SOM GRAs. One graduate student mentioned that not all graduate students fall under those designations and therefore do not see this pay increase. She proposed that GSC come up

with a way to offset this issue as it could affect student recruiting. The next GSC social is schedule for 9-5-07 to be held at Jaywalkers from 5:30-7:30pm.

#### **4.) Fall Funding Applications for Student Groups**

14 groups have requested funding for a total of \$1,020. Available funds: \$900.

Two groups were not present and their funding requests removed from the list.

Emily brought up a concern regarding the funding request from AMSA. As this group does not directly benefit graduate students, a motion was made by Brandon Carlson to remove their funding request.

This was seconded by Genia Doss. The motion passed unanimously, and AMSA's request was removed.

The following 11 groups funding requests were considered:

1. Neuroscience Journal Club \$100

2. Recycling \$50

3. IAKUMC requested \$100

4. Muslim Association \$70

5. Physiology Society \$100

6. J Hawk \$100

7. Rehab Sci \$100

8. MPH \$100

9. PT \$100

10. Cultural Exchange \$100

11. Chinese Student Association \$100

A representative was present for each of these groups. Emily suggested every group get funded by the same % method used for the summer funding requests. Meaning that the 9 groups requesting \$100 will be given \$88.20, the one group requesting \$70 will be given \$61.74, and the one group requesting \$50 will be given \$44.10. A motion was made and seconded to approve Emily's proposal. The motion passed unanimously.

Brittany motioned to adjourn the meeting. Motion was passed and the meeting was adjourned.