EGSC Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Jan. 15, 2019
Meeting Location: Weil Hall 307
Recorded By: Julie Jameson
Meeting Start: 12:00 PM
Meeting End: 1:00 PM

Sign in. Chair, Hannah Gardiner, will call the meeting to order.

Student Senate:
- Olin Calvin from nuclear engineering
- Resolution for Referendum question: Trying to get this question on the ballot about having graduate assistants paying student fees. Trying to waive the fee for graduate assistants.
  - Co-President: GAU
  - Uncertain about taxes with reducing the graduate student stipend. This also doesn’t mean that the university would reduce the graduate student stipend.
  - If this passes, the student body president would negotiate the guidelines for getting rid of the fees.
  - We can reach out after the vote to talk with the student body to be a part of the loop of these decisions.
  - Presented to judiciary committee this weekend.
  - Can we get what these fees go to?
  - GAU has been adamant about getting these fees waived.
  - Long-term implications?
  - For all graduate assistants regardless if you are in GAU or not
  - Student activity involvement fee - same for graduate students and undergraduate students (these are not the fees that this question would address)
  - What other organizations have heard this? GSC
  - Do we want to be involved with this?
    - We want to be more knowledgeable about this question.
    - Noon on Friday, we would need to know about our sponsorship for this
    - Facts - Pros/Cons about this be sent out
    - Olin will send an email to Hannah about more information (we can send this out)
    - More beneficial to support than not to support? Collectively, probably a good idea to support.
  - Moved to vote: Hannah, Seconded: Someone
    - We will add our sponsorship to this question.

- Student Government Elections
  - sometimes before spring break
  - we do get to vote and vote for graduate senators
  - graduate and family housing seat is open
  - interviews to run for student government elections is Jan. 27-29
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Chair:

Vice Chair:

● Research Day
  o poster
    ■ stands were free to rent Mike believes, but have to book months in advance
  o room
    ■ cost about $175
  o Food
    ■ want to try and do $5 per person x 50 = $250
  o more advertising
  o Remaining questions:
    ■ time?
      ● last one was 10-12
      ● Noonish would maybe be better
    ■ day?
      ● after spring break (1 to 2 weeks after?)
      ● ACS-orlando, Neural- miami (first week of april)
      ● MAE - poster session after spring break
      ● ABE - 13th poster event
      ● Biomaterials day is March 19th
      ● Final week of march?

○ Motivation: every other college of engineering has this, recruiting for undergrads,
○ Can there be prizes?
  ■ If we can secure additional funding, that would be a good way to spend the money
  ■ If other organizations can be a part of it, this could work.
  ■ There is some logistics that would need to be figured out.
  ■ Dr. Nishidi is willing to help and try and get faculty judges

Recruitment Chair:

Treasurer:

● Budget update
  o meeting lunches
    ■ college of engineering normally funds the lunches - they are not doing it anymore
    ■ Mike is offering to pay for one meeting. That means we need to pay for two meetings if we want.
  o $1848 total left in budget
    ■ spending $930 for research day and mental health day
    ■ $275-$300 per meeting for food with the nice food last semester?
    ■ Do we want to spend money on lunches? and how much money?
    ■ July 1 the new budget cycle starts
 ■ Fund events first? and then worry about food
 ■ Hannah motioned Someone Seconded
   ● Fund events and then worry about funding food after events
 ● DIY Mental Health Day
   ○ Feb. 11, 3-5pm, Reitz G320
   ■ holds 70 people
   ■ GatorWell and IPS speakers confirmed
   ■ Food?
   ■ No room rental fee

Newsletter:
Mike Nazareth:
 ● 230 invites gone out, 140 accepted
 ● 170-180 total accepted over the past three years
 ● over the next two weeks, the list will be done
 ● volunteering: Julissa will send out
   ○ logistics day of volunteering
 ● College Brunch
   ○ Speaker from BME
   ○ Celebration Catering will be the food
   ○ Tabling session with different student organizations on campus
     ■ Finalize within the next two weeks
 ● No research institutes for this year
 ● Saturday: walking tours, apartment tours, campus tours
 ● Packets: bag, pen, mug, car charger, notebook, powerpack
   ○ packet stuffing- once orders come in, we will pack with Julissa
 ● Changing up trivia questions - Austin Moss
 ● Kendall Parker: proposed walking tour, proposed bus tour (between 1-5 on Saturday)
   ○ print out for the bus tour
   ○ only have two charter buses, one will be dedicated for driving to and from airport

Open Mic:
 ● Nothing