

GSSA Meeting

[2017-03-02] – [LBC 203]

I. Call to Order **6:30**

II. Approval of Minutes **Minutes approved**

III. Guest Speakers:

IV. Officer Reports

I. President – Kate Elfer (kelfer@tulane.edu)

A. Faculty Award Nominations are due next Wednesday, March 8th to

B. Transportation: Gold Zone and New Orleans Shared Bike Program

Gold Zone available to all students between nightfall and 3AM, after 3AM TUPD – will transport you to your residence or vehicle Tapride

Shared bike program is starting downtown – committee is working with New Orleans Shared bike program to spread to Tulane faster and get discounted option for Tulane students

- **If you or any constituents are interested in committee – email Kate**

C. Versatile Ph.D. panel next week: PhD Careers in Think Tanks for Humanities and Social Science PhDs.

D. Student-Organized Protests must be filed with Student Affairs minimum of 3 Days before the event

Important to give student affairs opportunity to keep everyone safe – have TUPD present and prevent counter protests

E. GAPSA Spring Mixer, April 15th, Eiffel Society 7pm-11pm

F. GSSA Elections April 6th: Still seeking nominations for Treasurer, President

II. Vice President Sam Lantz (slantz@tulane.edu)

A. Trivia: March 23

B. Faculty Award Nominations due March 8th kelfer@tulane.edu or slantz@tulane.edu

Sign up: Devon Bowser, Chastain Anderson, Fariyah Haque, Davette Gadison, Khrystyne Tchinkel, Anna Peterson, Leila Pashazanusi

III. Treasurer – Paolo Suating

A. Signature Comments

Packets signed by wrong people or not signed – causes delays in reimbursements, please check the signatures and packet before you sign

B. Summer events need to be submitted by 2nd April meeting

C. Current Unallocated Funds: \$3,284.00

*Note: Due to how the financial department is set up and how reimbursements work, it is impossible for us to know the exact amount remaining, no one has access to this

D. Event Requests

Department	Event Title	Date	Amount Requested	Expense	Expected Attendance	Per person
EEBI	Eco Lunch	10 Mar 17	\$60.00	Coffee, etc.	30	\$2.00
EEBI	Eco Lunch	28 Apr 17	\$60.00	Coffee, etc.	30	\$2.00
EEBI	March CREEP	15 Mar 17	\$150.00	Food	25	\$6.00
EEBI	April CREEP	12 Apr 17	\$150.00	Food	25	\$6.00
EENS	March Meeting	15 Mar 17	\$150.00	Food	18	\$8.33
HIST	Spring Meeting	10 Mar 17	\$150.00	Food	25	\$6.00
NSIP	DUNK Meeting	17 Mar 17	\$60.00	Donuts, etc.	30	\$2.00
ARHS	Dinner w/ Speaker	20 Apr 17	\$250.00	Food	4G+5F	
			\$1030.00			

Motion to vote on events under 250 excluding art history as a slate: Motion passes – 0 abstain/oppose, 37 approve

Motion to approve slate: 0oppose/abstain, 37 approve

Motion passes

E. Speaker Requests

Department	Speaker	Travel	Honorarium	Lodging	Total
ARHS	Cherise Smith, PhD	\$500.00	\$200.00	\$170.00	\$870

Proposed Budget for Dr. Cherise Smith’s Guest Lecture:

	TOTAL Needed	GSSA Funds	Art Dept Funds Requested
Lecture Dinner (4 graduate students, 5 faculty, and the guest speaker)	\$350	\$250 (Via Event Funding Request)	\$100
Grad Lunch Seminar	\$120	\$0	\$120
Lecture Reception	\$175	\$0	\$175
Travel	\$500	\$500	\$0
Accommodations (2 Nights in the Hampton Inn on St. Charles Ave.)	\$360	\$170	\$190
Honorarium	\$1000	\$200	\$800

Other Meals	\$100	\$0	\$100
TOTAL	\$2,605	\$1,120	\$1,485

Open to the public

Department covering lecture reception, graduate lunch, accommodation, most of honorarium

Often discussion about whether to cover faculty foods

Discussion that department is adding a lot of funds to overall event, however not as much to the funds is going to the students as the faculty/speaker and is excluding majority of grad students

All students attending are 2nd year masters students

Good opportunity to casually interact with faculty and speaker

Suggestion to fund the grad student seminar and students at dinner instead of dinner

Motion to vote on speaker and ARHS event as a slate: 0 opposed/abstain, 37 approve

Motion to approve slated items: 0 opposed, 2 abstain, 35 approve – Motion passes

IV. Secretary – Lydia Crawford (lcrawfo2@tulane.edu)

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V. New Business

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VI. Announcements

A. SSE Dean townhall meeting: March 7th 5pm, Thomas Hall

B. Donut Days March 16th – OGPS office Richardson 107, The Well will be speaking

C. SLA Discussion about grants and research stuff – does it exist? Not that we're aware of, only online sources available

VII. Adjournment **7:05**