

GSSA Meeting

[2018-1-24] – [LBC 203]

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

II. Approval of Minutes **Approved**

III. Guest Speakers:

Jesse Chanin – healthcare petition

IV. Officer Reports

I. President – Lydia Crawford ([lcrawfo2@tulane.edu](mailto:lcrawfo2@tulane.edu))

A. Faculty Awards

**One SSE faculty, one SLA faculty. Committee led by Davette, anyone can submit nominations (can have multiple for the same person). Awardees get plaque and a party to celebrate.**

**Anyone interested in being on the committee, email Davette ([dgadison@tulane.edu](mailto:dgadison@tulane.edu)) (Leah Sand)**

B. Versatile PhD mid-year usage update

**Gives career alternatives for how to use your STEM PhD. GSSA (~\$1000/yr) + OGPS pays for it.**

C. STEM Storytime for kids with public library

**Read a story about science, talk about it, answer questions, sometimes have an activity in the end.**

**If you're interested in doing this, email Lydia. And tell your constituents!**

D. CELT Poster workshop

I. session 1 the week of 2/19 and session 2 the week of 3/5 or 3/12 The day of the week is flexible

**Looking for grad students to co-lead a workshop on how you put together and present a poster (geared for undergrads). Email Lydia if you're interested.**

E. Environmental Law Summit (\$1700 last year)

**Motion to fund the (1) Environmental and Climate Justice in New Orleans and (2) Wastewater Treatment & Wetlands Assimilation for \$750 EACH – total \$1500**

**0 oppose, 0 abstain, 38 approve**

F. Interested in being on Eboard next year?

**Reach out to anyone on the current Eboard!**

II. Vice President - Davette Gadison ([dgadison@tulane.edu](mailto:dgadison@tulane.edu))

A. Shamrock Game Night March 2<sup>nd</sup> at Shamrock 6:30 pm to 10:00 pm

II. Pool, darts, shuffleboard, and ping pong are free from 6:30pm to 10:00 pm

**4 kegs, and caterings**

B. Crawfish Boil April 13<sup>th</sup> in the Academic Quad at 6:00 pm

C. Trivia dates: February 22, March 29, April 19

III. Treasurer – Robyn Brooks (rbrooks3@tulane.edu)

A. Currently, we have \$7,031.98 in the bank

B. Office Hours: **Monday** 12pm-2pm in Gibson 313

**Don't just leave a packet on her desk – it will not be accepted.**

C. Travel Awards: Awarded Non – GSSA \$100, GSSA members awarded 80% of request, Total awarded: \$35,688

I. In the future, we will use metrics based on previous years application amounts to divide travel dollars per cycle

I. This year: 35% Fall, 35% Spring, 30% Summer, Total: \$44,518.02

D. Speaker Request

Requestor's Department	Speaker Full Legal Name	Event Start Date	Honorarium	Travel	Lodging
Spanish and Portugese	Gisela Heffes	4/19/18	200	500	170
Art History	Deborah Silverman	3/19/18	200	500	170

Total \$ 1740

**Motion to vote on speaker requests as a slate – 0 oppose, 0 abstain, approve**

**Motion to fund speaker requests – 0 oppose, 0 abstain, approve**

E. Event Requests

Department	Event Title	Date	Amount Requested	Expense	Expected Attendance	Per person
Art History	Speaker Event - Debora Silverman	3/19/18	250	Catering for on campus portions of event	50	5
Chemistry	Department Meeting	2/7/18	\$150.00	Pizza	20	\$7.50
Chemistry	Department Meeting	3/7/18	\$160.00	Cane's	20	\$8.00
City, Culture, & Community	CCC Student Meeting	3/2/18	\$100.00	We will purchase one cambro of coffee from CC's (serves 50 cups of coffee), 4 dozen bagels, 4 tubs of cream cheese, and 3 cases of bottled water	35	\$2.86

				from Costco		
<b>Ecology &amp; Evolutionary Biology</b>	January Grad Departmental Meeting	1/31/18	\$150.00	Dinner	17	\$8.82
<b>Ecology &amp; Evolutionary Biology</b>	Ecolunch	2/2/18	\$60.00	Coffee and snacks	30	\$2.00
<b>Ecology &amp; Evolutionary Biology</b>	Ecolunch	2/9/18	\$60.00	Coffee and snacks	30	\$2.00
<b>Ecology &amp; Evolutionary Biology</b>	Feb Grad Departmental Meeting	2/15/18	\$150.00	Dinner	17	\$8.82
<b>Ecology &amp; Evolutionary Biology</b>	March Grad Departmental Meeting	4/3/18	\$150.00	Dinner	17	\$8.82
<b>Ecology &amp; Evolutionary Biology</b>	April Grad Departmental Meeting	4/30/18	\$150.00	Dinner	17	\$8.82
<b>Mathematics</b>	Math Graduate Student Colloquium	1/30/18	\$60.00	Pizza and Soda	20	\$3.00
<b>Mathematics</b>	Math Graduate Student Colloquium	2/6/18	\$60.00	Pizza and Soda	20	\$3.00
<b>Mathematics</b>	Math Graduate Student Colloquium	2/20/18	\$60.00	Pizza and Soda	20	\$3.00
<b>Mathematics</b>	Math Graduate Student Colloquium	2/27/18	\$60.00	Pizza Soda	20	\$3.00
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<b>Mathematics</b>	Math Graduate Student End of Semester Celebration	5/1/18	\$120.00	Various sandwiches from Magasin Vietnamese Cafe; Desserts; and Soda	25	\$4.80
<b>Neuroscience</b>	Neuroscience D.U.N.K. Meeting	2/9/18	\$50.00	coffee and donuts	30	\$1.67
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<b>Neuroscience</b>	Neuroscience D.U.N.K. Meeting	5/25/18	\$50.00	coffee and donuts	30	\$1.67
<b>Chemical &amp; Biomolecular Engineering</b>	CBE Laser Tag	2/24/18	\$505.25	Laser tag ticket and food	20	\$25.26

Total \$2,510.25

**Motion to vote for all events under \$250 – 0 oppose, 0 abstain, 38 approve**

**Motion to fund all events under \$250 – 0 oppose, 0 abstain, 38 approve**

**CBE Laser Tag:**

Item	Cost ( for 20 attendees)	Per person
Ticket	353	17.65
Sandwich tray	30	1.5
Fruit and cheese tray	24	1.2
Pizza	29.25	1.4625
Chicken tender	69	3.45
total	505.25	25.2625

**Motion to fund CBE laser tag event – 0 oppose, 0 abstain, 38 approve**

III. Secretary – Sarah Khalil (skhalil@tulane.edu)

V. New Business

I. **Grad student lounge (1834 club) – can we get coffee? Sad feeling**

II.

VI. Old Business

I.

VII. Announcements

I. **Next Thursday, 6pm, Freeman Auditorium – Computer Science panel discussion with experts on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI conference is in NOLA)**

VIII. Adjournment **7:08pm**