

## **Minutes of Geology Graduate Student Association**

**10/17/2017**

1. Call to Order: Joe Tulenko called meeting to order 9:03am
2. Attendance: Joe Tulenko, Avy Schweinsberg, Andrew Harp, Alia Lesnek, Dave Hyman, Tom Glose, Brandon Graham, Claudia Fletcher, Carolyn Roberts, Kirstie Haynie, Becca Kiekhafer, Erin Schuster, Patrick Sutton, Sandrine Duboscq, Erik Orantes, Davide Bana
3. Approval of minutes from last meeting
  - a. Unanimously approved
4. Faculty Meeting update: Alia
  - a. Seismograph idea well recieved
  - b. Pegrum room reservation complications, Pegrum potentially mandatory for graduate students
  - c. At next meeting, Chris Lowry (DGS) will discuss increase in TA salaries
  - d. Undergraduate Club research talks (Every Wednesday at 3, 10 minute informal talk if any graduate students interested contact Nate Marshall: [nlmarsha@buffalo.edu](mailto:nlmarsha@buffalo.edu))
5. Senate update – Carrie
  - a. Statistics research help and editing: 145 Park Hall Norman Business Hours, Stats Lab
  - b. Budget discussion and new VP elected
  - c. Suggestion of precursor ten-day period for candidates
  - d. Funding passed for GGSA
  - e. New treasurer elected next meeting
6. Old Business:
  - a. Penn Dixie WNY Earth Science Day recap: Carrie
    - i. Enough things to give away, Free LROC stuff.
  - b. Beaver Meadows Enchanted Forest Program recap: Erin
    - i. Reptile room. Would be more fun with more GLY presence.
  - c. Winter party update – Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30- on Fourth Floor of Pearl Street Grill and Brewery
    - i. Ask Estelle about donating paintings
    - ii. Seismograph copies: Kirstie
    - iii. A motion was made to encumber \$500.00 for a down payment to reserve a space at Pearl Street. The motion passes unanimously.
    - iv. Still need to calculate cost per ticket
    - v. Estimate undergraduate budget for DJ, decorations, SA photographer.
    - vi. If anyone has any suggestions on raffle items, it is never too early to start thinking about it!
  - d. Signing Up for Committees
    - i. Sending separate email out to everyone about signing up in google sheet

- e. Photo contest – Kirstie
    - i. Voted on new cover photo
  - f. BAPG October Meeting 10/18, 5:30pm @ 76 Pearl St, Buffalo: Revising the Middle to Late Glacial History of Central & Western NY by Richard Young.
  - g. Next year: Herkimer Diamond Mine and KOA-Friday and Saturday during the second weekend of October.
7. New Business:
- a. Activities proposals for this semester – Alia and Tom: Becker Farms trip details/date?
    - i. 10/28—Doodle poll to be sent out!
  - b. Beaver Meadow cabin rental (free), snowshoe rentals
  - c. Other committees updates/new business?
    - i. SWAG- UG club wants to collaborate with us to make one GLY logo for us to all use to for all future swag campaign
  - d. Club trip to Syracuse for a Lava Pour! – Saturday Nov 11<sup>th</sup>
    - i. Dr. Gregg is going to go with us, so she could drive one of the vans!! Yay!
    - ii. Joe to send doodle poll for a headcount idea
  - e. Re-Introducing alcohol to Pegrum – Chris Lowry and Tom determining the logistics for post-Pegrum gatherings involving alcohol
8. GSA Offerings Reminders:
- a. Funding Opportunities:
    - i. Conference and Mark Diamond Research Fund Grant
  - b. Services:
    - i. Free Editorial Assistance Program
    - ii. Stats Lab Assistance and Workshops
9. Meeting adjourn: Joe Tulenko called the meeting to a close at 9:45 am. The next club meeting will be on Tuesday, Oct 31<sup>st</sup> at 9:00am in Cooke 435.

Respectfully yours,  
Claudia Fletcher  
GGSA Secretary