

**Minutes of
Geology Graduate Students Association
1/30/2015**

- I. Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Dale Gump at 11:00am in the Map Room (HOCH 439).
- II. Attendance: Jeff Green, Jon Brotsch, Tom Glose, Paul Moretti, Avriel Schweinsberg, Tom Macomber, James Boyle, Radhika Sangani, Dale Gump, Nicole Leach, Dave Hymen, Richard Frieman, Chris Venturino, Ibifiri Jene, Iana Shmelkina, Will Phillips, Alia Lesnek, Jon Malzone
- III. Approval of Minutes: A motion was made to approve the minutes of January 30, 2015. The motion passed unanimously.
- IV. Tracy Gregg Visit:
 - a. Covered new undergraduate TA idea, asked for suggestions about how to handle the potential new undergraduate TA's.
 - i. Who would get the undergrad TA's?
 - ii. Would people be angry or upset about not getting one?
 - iii. How would the undergrads feel about not having a TAA in the lab?
 - b. Discussed the University's Medical Leave Policy.
- V. Old Business:
 - a. Winter Party: Need finalized numbers by Monday. Discussed how to handle the raffle, need to finalize.
 - b. Swag: No update yet, Carolyn Roberts is in charge and was not in attendance.
 - c. Webmaster: Geology pages will be updated (GGSA, still needs UB Geology Facebook account info)
- VI. New Business:
 - a. Winter Party:
 - i. Need to buy cameras and props, inventory all raffle items.
 - b. Budget Update:
 - i. The treasurer (Matt Williams) is currently in France, but discussed low budget things to do in the spring. Trips to Letchworth State Park. More ideas and dates will be talked about when the weather gets warmer.
 - c. Movie Night:
 - i. Date will be set, need to pick a movie.

- d. AAPG Student Club: Send e-mails to Tayler Schweigel (tcs8@buffalo.edu) for more information.
- e. GeoHazards Grant: Contact Barb Catalano, and she will have an e-mail that will follow later today.
- f. GSA Senator: Dale Gump will now be the Senator as Alia Lesnek has a class conflict.
- g. Paleoclimate Lab Tour: Friday, February 5 from 3-5. There will be games, food, and prizes.

VII. Adjournment

- a. Dale Gump made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 11:28am. The next meeting will be in two weeks February 13, 2015 at 11:00am.

Respectfully yours,

Thomas Glose
Geology Graduate Student Association Secretary