

**Minutes of  
Geology Graduate Student Association Club  
03/17/2017**

1. Review minutes from last time: a motion was made to approve of the minutes from last meeting. The motion passes unanimously.
2. Attendance: Alia Lesnek, Avy Schweinsberg, Tayler Schweigel, Jenny Cramer, Tom Glose, Paul Morretti Dave Hyman, Mel Beck, Katie Swensen, Joe Tulenko, Carrie Roberts, Jon Brotsch, Erik Orantes, TJ Scialo
3. Old Business
  - a. Senate Update- Thinking about changing the GSA budget, moving funds around (too much money allocated for conference funding because not enough people use it). Most of it getting sent to average funds, which still includes conference funding so have no fear.
  - b. Activities Update – St. Patrick’s Day festivities will commence this weekend, please feel free to contact Tom or Alia for more details. Festivities begin at 11am on Sunday
  - c. BAPG update –No poster updates yet, but there are 14 abstracts submitted for the April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. We are also awaiting an update from BAPG regarding the April meeting location.
  - d. GLY Stickers are on sale through March at the ticket office:  
(<https://www.sbiticket.buffalo.edu/MerchandiseSelection.aspx>)
  - e. Arctic Workshop update- looks like we still need 2 volunteers for tasks on Friday! Alia volunteered for one of the slots, and Avy will be sending out a request for a driver on Friday. Avy will be emailing all those who are volunteering in the near future for more details.
  - f. **Mineral and Fossil Show in Hamburg, NY on 3/25 and 3/26 --We need volunteers to help run demos at the UB booth for both days, but mostly *Sunday 3/26*-- email [carolynr@buffalo.edu](mailto:carolynr@buffalo.edu) if you’re interested**
  - g. 40-hr Hazwoper course for FREE via OSEA for 5 grad and/or undergrad students. Email [Carolynr@buffalo.edu](mailto:Carolynr@buffalo.edu) if you are interested in learning more about this opportunity. (So far, only Mel and Tayler have emailed me). **Since we are planning for a June course, the deadline to contact Carrie about signing up will be the end of APRIL.**
  - h. March for Science on 4/22. We can’t take the vans. Will need to coordinate w/ undergrads (access to SA resources). Ten students expressed interest in going to D.C. via the doodle poll
  - i. Coordinating with Undergrads to set up AIPG student chapter here at UB. Zach Grosso (champion of the undergrads) is undertaking the planning. We as grad students are advised to take a back seat and allow the undergrads to fill officer positions. Rather, we should offer up advice and volunteer our efforts to coordinate events with them if they need it.
4. New Business
  - a. We were sent a bill for \$40 from SA for using the projector in the Student Union Theater on 2/16. Supposedly this charge was listed in the confirmation email sent

out by SA but I couldn't find it in my records. I believe that they wouldn't just make up this charge and since I can't find the confirmation email I will just go on trust. A motion was made to encumber \$40.00 for the bill. The motion passes begrudgingly. Members advised that we pay the bill via a bucket of pennies.

- b. Happy hour stuff. It is often difficult to coordinate last minute plans for happy hour. If you want to participate but you are feeling disenchanted, please speak up. Email Tom. Express your concern. Present new ideas! In fact, we are planning on taking a trip down to the Larkin Square Irish festival at 5pm this afternoon.
5. Meeting adjourn: The meeting came to an end at 9:55am. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 3/29 at 9:30 am in C419.

Sincerely,

Joe Tulenko  
GGSAC Secretary