Minutes for the Geology Graduate Student Association 3/4/2021

1. Call to Order

a. Meredith called the meeting to order at 5:02pm.

2. Attendance

a. Juliana Conlon, A. Croft, Meredith Cole, Erin Schuster, Kurt Lindberg, Josh Charlton, Brandon Keim, Karlee Prince, Rick Melville

3. First Meeting Remarks

a. Meredith welcomed everyone to the meeting.

4. Old Business

a. Union: You should have gotten an email from Erin by now about union memberships and other things if you're a graduate student employee, please respond!! If you haven't gotten one of those emails from Erin and you're an employee, let her know at ebschust@buffalo.edu! The union is still working on the broken promises by the university about graduate student employees not having to pay fees. The march to the President's house is currently in the works, while there was a mini press conference at the Union and a group that painted the bull at midnight. The union is still working on trying to get a bill passed in the state legislature which would make graduate student employee's fees paid by the state. Hopefully there will be good news on that front soon.

5. Committees

- a. Activities: the undergrads are interested in doing some kind of joint event; there are some ideas being tossed around right now, when something is more definitive we will know. Penn Dixie is now a possibility for group activities when it opens due to the current state of COVID meeting guidelines. There is a trial run of the Pirate murder Mystery happening this Friday, March 19th, at 7 pm. Please sign up here today if you're interested! It should be over by 9pm. We may start opening up some of the free/virtual events to the Environment and Sustainability folks since they don't have a club of their own yet. Feel free to let Meredith know if you have any objections (macole2@buffalo.edu).
- b. SWAG: leftover merch sale ended, there are still some bandanas, glasses, and mousepads leftover as well as two calendars. The calendars may be given to the 1st and 2nd place winner of the photo contest if we're allowed to do so. Other items will probably be kept to be used in a future sale over the course of the SWAG sale we made \$650 profit for the club.

Respectfully Submitted, Juliana Conlon GGSA Secretary