Minutes for the Geology Graduate Student Association 3-5-2020

- 1. Call to Order:
 - a. Meredith Cole, called the meeting to order at 4:08 pm in Cooke 434.
- 2. Attendance: A. Croft, Meredith Cole, Chris Sbarra, Erin Schuster, Hannah Annunziata, Caleb Walcott, Devon Gorbey, Celia Trunz, Sam Rodgers, Jewels Conlon
- 3. First meeting remarks: Erin welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 4. Old Business:
 - a. Winter Party:
 - i. Pearl Street has been paid in full!
 - ii. Total profit from the event: \$1126.50
 - b. Swag Committee:
 - i. Merch sale reopening until March 16th, for bandana, pint glass, and mousepad
 - 1. We are re-opening the sale to try to reach minimum orders
 - 1. We need to sell: 36 more bandanas, 10 more pint glasses, and 12 more mousepads at minimum
 - 2. If we can reach this goal, it will leave us with extras that we can sell in the future
 - ii. Waiting on PO for fleeces, which will then be ordered, should be ready very soon
 - iii. Waiting on logo color redesign for shirt
 - iv. Reimbursements paid to those who needed them (see last meeting's minutes)
 - c. Outreach Committee:
 - i. Upcoming outreach event! March 19th (Thursday) Orchard Park Elementary from 6-8pm
 - 1. Need one or two more volunteers for the event- watch for emails from Caleb!
 - Science Night at West Seneca West Elementary School on April 24th, 6-8pm
 - d. Union Update:
 - i. Independent financial analysis report of UB has been released, and found no evidence for budgetary crisis
 - 1. UB spends 23 million more per year on upper administration salaries than similar universities
 - 2. Transparency issues- UB financial records are incomplete and difficult to access/inaccessible to the public, most of the report was created with a federal database that UB is required to provide information to
 - ii. See the attached report and report summary for the full details

- iii. GSEU would like to increase public pressure to drive change with UB finances
 - 1. Erin has postcards to fill out and send to state legislature, also, post about the issues on social media, can use #UBexposed
 - 2. Check out the GSEU twitter for details
- 5. New Business:
 - a. Pegrum: next Thursday is the next Pegrum- we have set up covered but need help with cleanup! Consider staying a few minutes after the talk to help.
 - b. BAPG:
 - i. Next meeting is March 12th, featuring a talk by Marth Bohm on the UB solar decathlon and zero net energy houses at Salvatore's Italian Garden 6-8pm
 - Abstracts for the student poster session (April 15th) are due March 25th, see email from Sam soon about the formal guidelines for abstract submissions
 - c. Meeting time: This semester's official meeting time will be determined soon- due to technical difficulties, Pat hasn't been able to share the results of the poll yet. Watch your email for updates!
- 6. Our next meeting will be in three weeks in Cooke 435. Hope to see you there!

Respectfully Submitted,

Meredith Cole GGSA Secretary