**Minutes for the**

**Geology Graduate Student Association**

**12-1-2021**

1. Call to order:
   1. Kurt Lindberg, GGSA president called this meeting to order at 4:06 PM
2. Attendance: Kurt Lindberg, Meredith Cole, Erin Schuster, Devon Gorbey, Brandon Keim, Louie Manzella, Caleb Walcott
3. Reminders:
   1. GSA conferences fund applications for January due 12/15
   2. GSA is selling discount Canalside vouchers ($5 for $20 voucher!)
   3. Field camp TAs for the department are needed – applications due 2/4/22
   4. New UB COVID/event guidelines sent out today\
   5. Everyone in NY is eligible for COVID boosters. CDC recommends this. Appointments available through UB and local pharmacies
4. Old business/updates:
   1. Spring Party updates:
      1. Isabelle is contacting venues for spring party
      2. Uncertainty given COVID guidelines
      3. Possibility of having no food/drinks at party to comply with guidelines?
   2. Craft night:
      1. Can plan for next week or week after!
   3. GSA updates:
      1. Kurt will fill in for Kevin at meeting tonight
   4. EDI committee updates:
      1. Any ideas for folks for Distinguished Visiting Scholars program / CAS’s diversity hiring program, for faculty at any level
   5. Swag committee updates:
      1. Erin shared preview of calendars!!!
   6. Union updates:
      1. Continuing 22k for all campaign - $22k base salary for all graduate students/no academic fees
      2. Happy Hour at Thin Man, tomorrow. First drink free for union members!
   7. Outreach committee updates:
      1. No new updates
5. New business:
6. Meeting adjourned at 4:40 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Caleb Walcott

GGSA Secretary