**Minutes for the**

**Geology Graduate Student Association**

**3-11-2022**

1. Call to order:
	1. Kurt Lindberg, GGSA president called this meeting to order at 4:05 PM
2. Attendance: Kurt Lindberg, Meredith Cole, Devon Gorbey, Brandon Keim, Louie Manzella, Mareli Paredes, Kevin Griswold, Erin Schuster Caleb Walcott
3. Reminders/announcements
	1. Free KN95 for GGSA grad students
	2. $5 tickets for Antarctic dinosaurs
	3. GSA on summer hours during spring break
	4. BAPG still selling thin section pale ales
	5. GSA is selling discount tickets to Buffalo Sabres – NY hockey game
4. Old business/updates:
	1. Spring party:
		1. Still happening!
	2. Meredith:
		1. Attended department open house
		2. Informed alumni that we are trying to plan an open house
	3. GSEU:
		1. University changing mask policy – seeing if there are regulations so graduate student employees can require masks to be worn in classrooms if desired
	4. Treasurer:
		1. Calendars have finally come in. Pick them up from Erin.
		2. Budget of $1300 after calendars
	5. EDI:
		1. No new business
	6. Faculty:
		1. Preparing for awards
		2. Looking for cooks at field camp
	7. Outreach:
		1. No new business
	8. GSA update from Kevin:
		1. GSA is coming up on election cycle. Elections run from 4/11 to 4/14.
		2. Referendum vote on student activity fee
5. New business:
	1. Spring party coordinator election
		1. A motion was made by Meredith Cole to elect Mareli Paredes as spring party coordinator and seconded by Kevin Griswold. Vote: 9 in favor, 0 against, the motion carries.
	2. Spring party updates:
		1. Determine weekend for spring party
		2. Combined inside-outside venue – find list of venues
		3. Target dates of 4/29 – 5/1; 5-6 – 5/8
		4. Mareli will email people who are interested in party planning
		5. COVID safety plan?
			1. Require testing
	3. Outreach opportunity:
		1. Establish science policy club at UB
	4. Adding duties to grievance officer’s role
		1. Waiting for URGE to solidify role
	5. Activities
		1. Donation of craft supplies; available for anyone who wants to pick them up.
6. Meeting adjourned at 4:36 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Caleb Walcott

GGSA Secretary