

1. President Jessy Coley calls the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

- Motion to approve the minutes from the November 6, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting
 - Motion: English
 - Second: Exercise & Nutrition Science
 - In Favor: 56; Oppose: 6; Abstain: 0
 - Motion passes

3. Announcements

- Programming for December is reviewed
 - Discount AMC Movie Tickets Available
 - \$5 each at the UB Ticket Office. 1 per UB ID
 - December 6th- Java Junction
 - Free Tim Horton's coffee and doughnuts for graduate students in the GSA office.
 - December 9th- Discount Canalside Ice Skating Packages Available
 - \$5 each at the UB Ticket Office. 2 per UB ID.
- The office schedule for winter break is presented, including the deadline for paperwork.
 - Office open through Monday, December 16th
 - Office closed Tuesday, December 17th – Monday, January 6th
 - Office on Summer Hours Monday, January 6th – Friday, January 24th
 - Open Monday – Thursday 8:30am – 4:00pm, Closed on Fridays
 - Office closed Monday, January 20th for MLK Jr. Day (University Closed)
 - Regular Business Hours resume Monday, January 27th
 - Paperwork Deadline: **Wednesday, December 11th**
 - Anything that needs to be paid before shutdown must be in by this date. Otherwise, **please notify vendors that they will not receive payment until late January!**
- Mark Diamond Research Fund Director Jennifer Schechter reviews the applications received and approved for the Fall semester.
 - 37 applications received for \$87,195.59; 22 approved for \$49,950.30

4. Report of the President

- There is no President's report.

5. Report of the Vice President

- Vice President Connor Walters thanks everyone for the patience and kindness shown while their reachability was limited due to an ongoing family crisis.

6. Report of the Treasurer

- Treasurer Josh Joseph proposes a \$675.00 allocation increase, from unallocated reserves, to the Scholarly Publication fund. He states that this amount covers the last of the Scholarly Publications proposed for this year.
 - Motion to approve the \$675.00 Scholarly Publication allocation increase
 - Motion: Biological Sciences
 - Second: Mathematics
 - In Favor: 55; Oppose: 6; Abstain: 0
 - Motion passes
- Funding Account Balances:
 - Special Activity: \$15,000 to start, \$1,200.00 allocated this month, \$9,840.00 remaining
 - Interdepartmental Activity: \$2,000.00 to start, \$150.00 allocated this month, \$1,200.00 remaining
 - Symposia: \$15,000.00 to start, \$2,800.00 allocated this month, \$9,409.79 remaining
 - Scholarly Publication: \$5,000.00 to start, upped to \$5,675.00, \$2,875.00 allocated this month, \$0.00 remaining
 - Community Outreach: \$2,000 to start, \$0.00 allocated this month, \$1,750.00 remaining
 - Conferences:
 - 17 requests totaling \$7,055.00, 17 applications approved for \$7,055.00
 - Beginning Balance: \$140,000.00; Remaining Balance \$81,325.76

7. Old Business

- There is no old business

8. New Business

- Club Recognition
 - A representative from Middle Eastern GSA presents on their club.
 - Recommended: \$750
 - STIPULATION: Continued meeting with GSA Vice President to ensure the club is on track.
 - Motion to approve Middle Eastern GSA at the recommended amount with the listed stipulation

- Motion: Physical Therapy
 - Second: Biological Sciences
 - In favor: 54; Oppose: 7; Abstain: 1
 - Motion passes
- Now that all clubs have been funded all pre-existing, recognized Special Interest Clubs will receive a \$350 increase to their club budget for the Spring semester.
 - New clubs that are in their probationary first year will not receive an increase above the original \$350 budget allocation.
- Funding Requests
 - A representative from Iranian GSA presents on their Yalda Night Concert Special Activity proposal
 - Requested/Recommended: \$1,200.00
 - A representative from Biological Sciences GSA presents on their Biological Sciences Symposium proposal
 - Requested/Recommended: \$1,400.00
 - A representative from Library & Information Science presents on their GSE Research Symposium proposal
 - Requested/Recommended: \$1,400.00
 - A representative from Art GSA presents on their MFA Catalogue Scholarly Publication proposal
 - Requested/Recommended: \$1,500.00
 - A representative from Anthropology GSA presents on their ABD Scholarly Publication proposal
 - Requested/Recommended: \$1,375.00
 - A representative from English GSA presents on their Letter Writing Party Interdepartmental Activity proposal
 - Requested/Recommended: \$125.00
 - Motion to approve all funding requests as a block at the recommended amounts
 - Motion: Physics
 - Second: Electrical Engineering
 - In favor: 55; Oppose: 5; Abstain: 1
 - Motion passes.

9. Roll Call and Adjournment

- Motion to Adjourn at 7:00 p.m.
 - Motion: Physics
 - Second: Media Studies
 - In favor: 49; Oppose: 9; Abstain: 0
 - Motion passes