Minutes of the Graduate Student Association Board of Directors Meeting  
Wednesday, December 1, 2021

Attendance:
Officers & Staff:
President: J. Coley  Programming: L. Russell
Vice President: J. Schechter  Dir. of Operations: S. George/ D. Staly
Treasurer: J. Joseph  Editorial Assistance: MDRF:

Board Members:
Departmental:
Africana & Americana: absent  LAI: R. Enser
Anthropology: H. Angelini  Linguistics: absent
Art: T. Robers  Materials Design & In: M.S. Parasnis
Audiology: absent  Mathematics: K.Y. Cheuk
Biochemistry: S. Rosenblum  MAE: absent
Biological Sciences: E. Vohwinkel  Media Study: O. Akanbi
Biostatistics: H. Sheng  Microbiology: absent
Cancer Sciences- RPCCC: N. Su/ M.V. Shah  Music: J. Falzone
Chemistry: N. Hazel/ C. Gould  Nursing: L. Underwood
CSEE: absent  Occupational Therapy absent
 Classics: A. Hill  Oral Biology: M. Che
Communication: N. Acosta  Pharmaceutics: B. Boleslav/ R. Hari
Comm. Health & H.B. C. Dauphin  Pharm. & Tox: A. Parvin
Comparative Lit: F. Hajhosseini  Philosophy: absent
CSE: absent  Physical Therapy: S. Hutton/ G. Ganaden
CSEP: K. Oladele  Physics: O. Elsherif
ELP: P. Arment/ E. Scollo/ D. Clein  Political Science: A. Brown
English: S. Mehri/ B. Bastie  Psychology: A. Wiseblatt/ R. Lelito
EEH: absent  RLL: N.G. Gablenz
ENS: absent  Social Work: P. Hennigan / J. Rafter
Geography: absent  Sociology: S. Upadhyay
Geology: K. Lindberg  Speech: K. Kearney/ K. Wong
History: R. Adams  Theatre & Dance: M. Kirchoff
ISE: M.R. Yempada (absent- 1/3)  Urban Planning: J. Kotler

International Clubs:
CSSA: H. Li  Latn American: S. Lopez Restrepo
Indian: absent  Taiwanese: C. Hsu
Iranian: Z. Vahidi

Special Interest Clubs:
GradSWE: V. Hatrote  GSPHA: C. Nieves
Graduate Poetics: absent  UB-EERI: R.R. Singh
Grad Students of Color: S. Quinones  UBQ: M. Redington
GIGS: X. Chen

Guests:
J. Lippes  Legal Counsel
J.W. Tufts  Art Catalogue
Z. Brown  P-Queue
D. Venerable  P-Queue
1. President J Coley calls the meeting to order at 6:32pm

2. Approval of Minutes
   - Motion to approve the minutes from the November 3rd Board Meeting
     - Motion: UBQ
     - Second: Anthropology
     - In Favor: 47; Oppose: 0; Abstain: 3
     - Motion passes

3. Announcements
   - GSA programming is reviewed.
     - Goodie Bag Giveaways!
       - December 1st at South Campus (1 Diefendorf) 4:00-6:00pm
       - December 2nd at North Campus (Student Union Lobby) 4:00-6:00pm
       - December 3rd at Downtown Campus (JSMBS M&T Atrium Dannenhoffer Learning Landscape) 2:00-4:00pm
     - December 4th – Pretty Woman at Shea’s
       - $20 each. 2 per UB ID. Reserve online and pick-up at the UB Ticket Office in 221 Student Union.
     - December 6th—Discount AMC Movie Tickets on Sale
       - $5 each. 1 per UB ID. Reserve online and pick up at the UB Ticket Office in 221 Student Union.
     - Vouchers available!
       - Hatchet & Hops: $15 each for a $40 voucher that allows for 2 hours of axe throwing. 2 per UB ID. Reserve online and pick up at the UB Ticket Office in 221 Student Union.
       - Canalside: $5 each for a $20 voucher that can be used for roller skating, ice skating, equipment rentals or at a Canalside food vendor. 1 per UB ID. Reserve online and pick up at the UB Ticket Office in 221 Student Union.
     - GSA Winter Break Schedule
       - Open Monday, December 13th
       - Closed Tuesday, December 14th to Monday, January 3rd
       - Open on Summer hours Monday, January 3rd through Friday, January 28th: M-Th 8:30am-4:00pm, closed on Fridays
       - Closed Monday, January 17th for MLK Jr. Day (University closed)
       - Regular business hours resume Monday, January 31st
       - Paperwork deadline is Wednesday, December 8th for anything that needs to be paid before the office closes.

4. Report of the President
   - GSA President provides information about Blue Table (the University’s food pantry for students) and states that pick-ups are on Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00am to 4:00pm.

5. Report of the Vice President
   - GSA Vice President Jen Schechter reminds everyone that after this meeting there are no further club recognitions for the remainder of the year. Anyone interested in starting club or having their club recognized will need to start that process next Fall.

6. Report of the Treasurer
   - Funding Account Balances:
     - Special Activity: $15,000.00 to start, $0.00 allocated this month, $15,000.00 remaining
     - Interdepartmental Activity: $2,000.00 to start, $0.00 allocated this month, $2,000.00 remaining
     - Symposia: $15,000.00 to start, $0.00 allocated this month, $13,605.00 remaining
     - Scholarly Publication: $6,000.00 to start, $4,400.00 allocated this month, $1,600.00 remaining
     - Community Outreach: $2,000 to start, $0.00 allocated this month, $2,000.00 remaining
     - Conferences:
       - 7 requests in December for $2,528.00, 7 approved for $2,528.00
       - Beginning Balance: $140,000.00; Remaining Balance $125,576.29

7. Old Business
   - There is no Old Business

8. New Business
   - Club Recognition
     - A representative from Graduate Students of Color presents on their club, requesting and recommended for a $350 budget.
     - Motion to approve Graduate Students of Color at recommended amount
       - Motion: Anthropology
       - Second: Nursing
       - In Favor: 46; Oppose: 0; Abstain: 2
       - Motion passes
     - Funding Requests
- Scholarly Publication: MFA Catalogue—Art
  - Requested/Recommended: $1,500.00
  - Stipulation: Must meet minimum co-sponsorship requirements.
- Scholarly Publication: P-Queue—English
  - Requested/Recommended: $1,500.00
  - Stipulation: Must meet minimum co-sponsorship requirements.
- Scholarly Publication: Col—English
  - Requested/Recommended: $1,400.00
  - Stipulation: Must meet minimum co-sponsorship requirements.
- Motion to approve all Scholarly Publication requests as a block at the recommended amounts with stipulations
  - Motion: Anthropology
  - Second: Mathematics
  - In Favor: 44; Opposed: 0; Abstain: 3
  - Motion passes

9. Roll Call and Adjournment
   - Motion to Adjourn at 6:50pm
     - Motion: Physics
     - Second: Anthropology
     - In favor: 43; Oppose: 0; Abstain: 0
     - Motion passes