# Board of Directors Meeting December 3, 2025 6:30pm

#### 1. Call to Order



#### 2. Approval of Minutes

 Please remember that meeting guests and most Special Interest club representatives are non-voting Board members and should not participate in voting polls.

Approval of November 5<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes

#### 3. Announcements

- GSA's 2025 990 Form
  - Draft was included with the meeting packet
  - Must be presented to the Board of Directors
    - Michael Grela, FSA Accounting Manager

Vote to approve the 990 filing

### **Announcements (continued)**

- GSA Winter Break Schedule:
  - Open through Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup>
  - Closed Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> Friday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Open on Summer Hours Monday, January 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>
    - Monday Thursday 8:30am 4:00pm, Closed on Fridays
  - Closed Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup> for MLK Jr. Day observance (University Closed)
  - Regular Business Hours resume Wednesday, January 21st

#### **Announcements (continued)**

- MDRF Winter Grant Cycle Report
  - 32 applications received requesting \$101,895.00
  - 15 applications funded for \$39,608.87
- Spring deadline: Friday, March 27, 2026
  - For research to be conducted May 1, 2026 April 30, 2027
  - Deadline to have applications pre-reviewed by the MDRF Director is Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> by 10:00am!
- Summer deadline: Friday, June 26, 2026
  - For research to be conducted August 1, 2026 July 31, 2027

#### **Announcements (continued)**

#### Programming

- Discount AMC Movie Tickets Now On Sale!
  - \$5 each. 1 per UB ID. Reserve online and pick up at the UB Ticket Office in 221 Student Union.
- December 5<sup>th</sup>, North Campus Java Junction, 11:00am to 1:00pm in 215 Student Union \*\*Please note location change\*\*
  - Free Tim Horton's coffee, tea and donuts for graduate students
- Canalside Ice Skating Vouchers Coming Soon!
  - \$2 each. 2 per UB ID. Include skate rental and admission. Reserve online and pick up at the UB Ticket Office in 221 Student Union.

#### 4. Report of the President

- First Aid Kit Survey
- Next meeting with the Graduate School is December 11<sup>th</sup>
  - If you have any systemic issues you would like us to address, please send them to gsapresident@buffalo.edu by this Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>

#### 5. Report of the Vice President

#### REMINDER!

- All clubs <u>MUST</u> share information about meeting times with all graduate student members.
- This is the last Board meeting at which clubs can be recognized for this academic year
  - All new club requests will have to wait until Fall, 2026

#### 6. Report of the Treasurer

- Funding Account Balances
- Conference Funding
- Community Outreach Highlight

## **Funding Account Balances**

	Updated Beginning Annual Balance	Recommended this month	Remaining Annual Balance
Special Activity	\$10,000.00	\$1,200.00	\$6,490.00
Interdepartmental Activity	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
Symposium	\$10,000.00	\$1,400.00	\$8,600.00
Scholarly Publication	\$6,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Community Outreach	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00

## **Conference Funding**

	Applications	Amount
<b>Requested</b> : December	20	\$10,749.54
<b>Approved:</b> December	19 (1 withdrawn)	\$10,474.54

<b>Updated Beginning Balance</b>	Remaining Balance
\$225,000.00	\$128,972.98

### Community Outreach Highlight

- This program was created to promote service to local community agencies for the betterment of humanity and to encourage graduate student organization involvement in the community.
- Clubs can get a \$250 budget increase for doing 40 hours of community service to a local nonprofit

#### 7. Old Business

#### 8. New Business

- Club Recognition
- Funding Requests

### **Club Recognition**

#### **International**

No International clubs this month

#### **Special Interest**

- Center for the Study of Psychoanalysis and Culture Reading Group
  - Requested/Recommended: \$400
- GSPHA
  - Requested/Recommended: \$400

Approval of Clubs

<sup>\*\*</sup>Now that all clubs have been funded, an additional \$400 will be allocated to each of the previously recognized Special Interest groups. New clubs are only eligible to receive a maximum of \$400 in their first year.\*\*

### **Funding Requests**

- Symposium
  - Biological Sciences Symposium- Biological Sciences
    - Requested/Recommended: \$1,400.00
- Special Activity
  - Yalda Night- Iranian GSA
    - Requested/Recommended: \$1,200.00
- Scholarly Publication
  - Art Catalog- Art GSA
    - Requested/Recommended: \$1,500.00
    - **STIPULATION**: Must meet minimum co-sponsorship requirements
  - P-Queue Graduate Poetics Group
    - Requested/Recommended: \$1,500.00
    - **STIPULATION**: Must meet minimum co-sponsorship requirements

#### 9. Roll Call and Adjournment

- Don't leave just yet! We need a motion and a vote to approve adjournment.
- Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday season!!

