

GPIA Student Government

December, 2008

18:15-19:00

66 West 12th St, Room 306

Meeting called by: Emily Molfino and Sarah Cunningham

Type of meeting: General

Note taker/Timekeeper: Emily Molfino

Attendees: Emily Molfino, Brian Terranous, Nick Barber

Minutes

Agenda item: Thesis vs. Practicum Panel Planning

Discussion

- There were about 25 people who came to this event; a great turn out!
- Things we learned from this: have two hours available, distribute basic information on each option before the event and maybe try to get a room in the 12th Street Building.

Action Items

- Hold again in Spring
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Agenda item: GPIA Alumni Survey

Discussion

- We had about 33 responses to the survey (7-9% of all alumni?).
- Early results showed nothing too revealing about views on GPIA (usually pretty high). However, there was a good split in results with those who were satisfied with career help with those who were and those who feel their diploma relevant with those who do.
- Amy will compile the results so that they can be used for future petitioning.

Action Items

- Get summary together and send to Student Government list.
 - Find a way to incorporate results into a Career Person petition.
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Agenda item: End of Semester Party

Discussion

- Planning underway for End of the Semester Party. However, if funding falls through, Student Government will plan an End of the Semester Student Social.
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Agenda item: Elections

Discussion

- There are potentially three people interested in running and taking over GPIA Student Government starting next semester.
- With only three people running for two positions, we can either add a position (Secretary) so all can partake, an election can still be held online, or candidates can get together to see what they would like to do. Jen Hill did set up a template website for voting if that path is taken.

Action Items

- Potential candidates will be contacted so that a meeting can be planned between them to discuss this.

Agenda item: Class Registration/Application Process**Discussion**

- Between the two meetings, a student brought to our attention about a grievance in a particular course. This course required an extensive application process in which almost double the people applied for the actual seats in the course. After not getting into the course, there were questions brought up about program policies in course requirements and whether this broke any of them.
 - There is no GPIA policy about a course application process. This past semester had about 4 classes that required a form of faculty permission to register.
 - After discussing this particular person's circumstances, there was really nothing that SG could see against policy or personally. Though things might have been done a little smoother, it wasn't something that could be taken further.
 - This issue will be discussed at the next faculty meeting and we will wait to see what happens and go from there.
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