General Meeting Minutes
Graduate Student Senate
3/3/2024 | Zoom |
1:30 - 3 pm
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1. Call to Order and Roll Call
   - SLE Director - Marci Nuñez
   - VP of IA - Teresa Leyva
   - VP of Treasury - Ajeet Singh Rajpurohit
   - Senator - Ruth Hernandez
   - Senator - Ana De Castro Maquiz
   - Senator - Kiah Combs
   - Senator - Arshie Jain
   - Senator - Ololo Olorife
   - Senator - Megan Wang
   - Senator - Rajyalaxmi Kavuluru (Shivani)
   - Senator - Alexandra Lindsay
   - President - Emmanuel Odum - absent
   - GSS Advisor - Richie Sanders - absent
   - Student Government Assistant - ET Teruya - absent
   - Senator - Bhavesh Ram - absent
   - VP of EA - Shewit Woldenmichael - (left early 2 pm)
   - VP of Mission - Andrew Hall - (left early 2 pm)

1. Approval of Agenda
   - Minutes from last meeting will be voted on for next meeting
   - Taking Notes: Ai provided by Shivani will be taking notes
   - We did not record video this meeting, but did have Ai taking notes.

2. Open Forum: Anyone who would like to address GSS
   - Conference Funding - has been closed for 2023-2024
   - The funding has exhausted, the finance committee has decided to close it for now.
3. **Old Business**  
   Zip Ups are here! You are welcome to pick up and/or have shipped.

4. **New Business**  
   This year’s Budget (2023-2024) vs. Budget for 2024-2025  
   - Committee Updates to present the Amount of Funding available  
   - How much funds for conference funding is going to conferences vs certifications?

5. **Executive Reports**  
   - Emmanuel Abuenyi Odum, President, **absent - nothing to report**  
   - Teresa Leyva, Vice President of Internal Affairs  
   - Ajeet Singh Rajpurohit, Vice President of Treasury, **nothing to report**  
   - Shewit Woldenmichael, Vice President of External Affairs, **Teresa sharing on behalf of EA**  
   - Andrew Hall, Vice President of Mission, **absent - nothing to report**

6. **Senator Reports**  
   - Bhavesh Ram and Ololo Olorife, College of Arts and Sciences Representatives, **nothing to report**  
   - Ana De Castro Maquiz and Kiah Combs, School of Education Representatives, **Scavenger Hunt**  
   - **Beginning of February - collaboration with Leadership Studies, Prospective Students Event, Upcoming Events: Alumni Panel & Wellness Event**  
   - Ruth Hernandez and R. Shivani, School of Law Representatives, **Met with Dean regarding Etiquette & Table Manners Event**  
   - Arshie Jain, School of Management Representative, **past event 2/29 - more food?**  
   - Megan Wang and Alex Lindsay, School of Nursing and Health Professions Representatives, **Upcoming Workshops: Research Series & Poster Fair & Roller skating GSS Event**  
   - **Vacant (OC) and Vacant (Sacramento), Beyond the Hilltop Representatives**

7. **Advisor Report**  
   - Richie Sanders, GSS Advisor  
   - Marci Núñez, SLE Director

8. **Announcements**  
   - **Budget will be discussed next monthly meeting & voted on**
❖ **SOM Dean's Awards**: Nomination deadline March 15
❖ **Student Leadership Awards** have opened! There are several awards for graduate students including the Graduate Student Leadership Awards given to 5 graduate students (graduating in Fall 2023 or Spring 2024) which comes with a purse of $1000. Deadline for **Nominations** is Monday, March 4 and will be extended for a short period TBD.
❖ **Graduate Student Workshop - Salary Negotiation**: Wednesday, March 27 | 6-7 pm | Zoom
❖ GSS Graduate Student Summit: Friday, April 12 | 6-8 pm | McLaren 252 (Hilltop)
❖ Sacramento Campus Tabling March-May - *If interested, please reach out to Teresa*
❖ **Spring Break 3/11-3/14, You are not expected to work this week!**
❖ **Last Day of Classes 5/9, Final Exams - 5/11-5/16, Graduation - 5/16-5/18**
❖ **Elections Applications** are out!

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9. **Adjournment** 2:42 PM