



## 2015 Graduate Student Council Meeting Minutes

### Details:

Date: January 21<sup>st</sup> 2015  
Time: 12:00 P.M. – 1:00  
Location: 8<sup>th</sup> floor Board room -Dean B. Ellis Library  
Arkansas State University, Jonesboro  
Secretary: Justin Carothers

### Minutes:

#### I. Call to Order

- The meeting began at 12:03 P.M. Seth (sitting in for President Elizabeth Swagerty) welcomed everyone to GSC's first spring meeting.
- The board congratulated Elizabeth on the birth of her child.

#### II. Old Business

- The board noted that the previous minutes were missing but were approved based on the fact that we may never receive them.
- Due to the previous bullet, there was no previous business.

#### III. Reports

- **President:** No report (absent)
- **Vice President:** Seth welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the New Year. He also reminded the board that the meeting times have changed from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. to 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.
- **Treasurer:** Juanjuan told the board that we have yet to receive our funding for the semester but she expects it will be soon. Also, we are accepting applications for travel funds.
- **Secretary:** No report

#### IV. Committee Reports

- None at this time

#### **IV. Open Floor**

- Dalia Tejada told the board that the GSC constitution had been updated on the GSC website. She also discussed about the restructuring of the colleges and how it has created a new council that will also participate in shared governance. Once named it will be added to our list of councils.
- A board member mentioned concerns with travel funds but the board discussed how they were aspects of the process not associated with GSC and that we should reassure applicants of our application process.
- Dalia Tejada asked if we could update the list of committee representatives for shared governance on the GSC website.
- Juanjuan was asked by a board member whether or not GSC will continue to give out gift cards in the coming meetings. She explained that the process will continue in future meetings when GSC is given this semester's funding.

#### **VI. New Business**

##### **Committee Positions**

- Seth discussed the recruitment of new committee members and he passed out sheets which showed committee positions that needed to be filled. He also mentioned that some board members had previously not been consistent in attending their other committee positions and that they please alert us if they are no longer able to attend them.
- The board approved members for new committee positions.

##### **Spring Banquet**

- Seth brought up the Spring Banquet and discussed possible dates ranging from April the 13<sup>th</sup> through the 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Dr. Gilbert noted that we need to check and make sure that the banquet room is available for our date of choice.
- Seth discussed the forming of a banquet committee and Edna offered to take the position.
- Edna was approved to chair the banquet committee and she requested that we offer vegetarian food options.
- No board members offered to join the banquet committee so far.

## **VII. Ending Comments**

- Dalia noted that graduate assistants do not get paid until they are registered for classes. Additionally, graduate assistants need to know who to contact in the future concerning this matter.
- A board member noted that there is protocol for using the resources of the Women and Gender Studies group. Also, the “Radical Rights” event dates will soon be announced.

**Adjourned: 12:50 p.m.**