# GRADUATE STUDENT COUNCIL (GSC) MEETING -OCTOBER 16, 2013



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#### I. CALL TO ORDER

- -Meeting was called to order at 12:33 pm on October 16, 2013 at the board room, Library, ASU by Usha who presided.
- -Sign in sheet was passed instead of roll call.

### \*Keynote speaker

- -Dr. Thilla Sivakumaran- Dean of ASU's College of Education
- Dr. Thilla spoke thoroughly about the topic "Why a PHD? and How does your life change with a PHD?"
- -Dr. Thilla gave a few helpful tips for students pursuing or thinking about pursuing a PHD. Looking at all the requirements for the job you are seeking to avoid being overqualified, and finding out exactly what you would like to do with your PHD before pursuing it, are two important tips he spoke about.

#### II. OPEN FLOOR

Environmental Sciences Representative Amber McCammon asked for a request of the council to submit a letter of support of the "Hydration Stations" around campus. There were 2 motions from the floor in approving the "Hydration Stations"

Molecular Biosciences representative Martina Garda asked the council to refer to her if there were any concerns to be discussed regarding the International Committee.

### **III. New Business**

- -Finacial Literacy Workshop- This workshop is scheduled for October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Dr. Phillip Tew will give important financial information.
- -Polos were given out at the end of the meeting. There was a council vote on the scheduled time to meet for the organization photo. The time was scheduled for 5:15 pm at the Carl Reng Student Union.\

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- -Center for Excellence Representative Pamela Shultz spoke about the ebook interlibrary loans. She informed the council that students are allowed 2 book requests per semester.
- -Treasurer Ashley Handcock asked the council if anyone knew where the books that were taking off the shelf are going. She wanted to know if they were at least being donated.
- There were no Old Business
- IV. ADJOURNMENT OCT. 16, 2013 @ 1:16 PM. WORKSHOP WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 30, 2013

**ATTENDANCE INCLUDED:** 

**Kari Harris-Biology** 

**Amber McCammon-Biology** 

Saravana Shanamuga- Business Administration

**Pamela Shultz-Center for Excellence** 

**Usha Ramanathan-Computer Science** 

**Dalia Tejada- Educational Leadership** 

**Michal Horton- English** 

**Skye Roberson- English** 

**Josh Bramlett- Mass Communications** 

**Barbara Barnett- Mass Communications** 

**Martina Garda- Molecular Biosciences** 

**Anastasia Cooper- Molecular Biosciences** 

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Chocoletta Johnson- Political Science
Lisa Adokosa- Public Administration
Galen Perkins- Public Administration
Lili Zhang- Accountancy
Shaoqing Dong- Accountancy
Mohamad Saeedi- Computer Science

Respectfully Submitted, Sharice Nash on 11-12-13