The University of Maine

GRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT (GSG)

Minutes of the GSG Board Meeting, February 5th 2009

In Attendance:

Department Representatives:
V. Dahlgren  N. Nadeau  D. Cassidy  N. Spaulding  K. Klappenbach
K. Davis     M. Royer   E. Wadoski  G. Holman   V. Gaete-Martinez
M. Snell     M. Davidson A. Mullen   J. Passanisi M. Sanclements
L. Calhoun   C. Mahaffey J. Epps     J. Fales    D. Belanger
W. Slade     K. Minott  A. Shearin  J. Emerson

Executive Committee:
J. Logan     P. Spinney K. Soule     J. Scott    J. Beaupre

Graduate School:
S. Delcourt  D. Sandweiss

President’s Report- Jeremy

- Miscellaneous
A) Have migrated over to the new website; going to allow executive committee members to modify the website in order to help with keeping it updated. Please take a look and give us feedback! www2.umaine.edu/gsg
B) Hooding Ceremony on May 8th; volunteers: Kurt Klappenbach, James Beaurpe Lucas P. Calhoun & James Passanisi senators.
   ~If you are interested in volunteering please let us know!
C) Chancelor “New Chllenges, New Directions…” Open forum Monday (Feb 9th) 4-5pm Wells room 2, there will be a questions & answer section.
   ~His document will be posted in our folder and seems to be aimed at a homogenized system where Graduate Education plays no role, please read and come to the presentation
D) Our GSG office will be moving over to Stodder; we did not budget for moving.
   What are the thoughts on this?
   ~In sourcing may be better for our local community, but this may be a liability.
   We will have more information next meeting!
E) Board Of Trustees position starts in July, but would be nice to appoint someone before the May meeting. Please start thinking about this position and contact Ken
Hoyt or Jeremy Logan for more information or if you are interested in the position.

**Treasurers Report – James**

- Current Corrections in progress

Check book hasn’t been balance since May ’07. We may have to file for an extension since audit was supposed to be done last July. Everything seems to be in order now- account finally matches our current records.

~Thanks James!

**Grant Officers Report – JulieAnn**

- **Grant Deadlines**
  
  Due this coming Wednesday @ 4pm; turn into the Graduate School.

  ~JulieAnn will be available Monday 2-4pm in the GSG office for any questions in person.

Very short for readers, please contact JulieAnn if you are interested; we can not do this without readers.

- **Duties**
  
  Thursday collection of applications, look over and grade based on rubric by the end of spring break. Dinner will be offered to discuss the grading and whole process afterwards.

- **Mentor Award Reminder**
  
  We need a nomination from each college, so please encourage your fellow students to nominate.

  ~Due the Friday before spring break (Feb. 27th).

**Vice President’s Report- Patrick**

- **Relay for Life**
  
  April 17th & 18th; essentially a walk-a-thon in the Alfond where each team has about one person walking at all times. There is a $10 fee for T-shirts and the rest is just fundraising for the American Cancer Society.

  ~Patrick will be posting information to the folder if you are interested, email him with questions.

- **Expo update**
  
  ~We have two rooms for 20 minute presentations; total of 72 presentations possible. So we are encouraging individuals to give oral presentations.

  ~Abstract book or online in pdf format and a map of posters & presentation rooms.

  ~Gala: appetizers, key note speaker.

  ~Also we want to expand it beyond graduate students and offer a formal poster presentation for the next day to encourage this.

  ~Abstract forum will be put up today and abstracts will be due by the end of spring break.

- **Committee updates**

  Newsletter will be finished.
Secretary’s Report- Kara

- Minutes - Minutes passed!

New Business
Please contact Kara if you are wondering if you are eligible for grants.

~Adjourn~