

## **GSA General Body Meeting**

October 02, 2020

*Conducted via Zoom*

**Present:** Dr. Kevin Miller, Dr. Frederick Floss, Amiyah King, Jessica Trainor, Sartu Abdukadir, Michelle Merrill, Senator Matt Burch, Senator Katlyn Keane, Senator Erica Seymour, Eric Gershbacher, Jennifer Austin; Nicole Gollas

- I. Call to Order
  - A. Meeting was called to order at 5:33 PM.
- II. Roll Call
- III. Icebreaker Activity
- IV. Approval of the Agenda
- V. Reports
  - A. President's Report
    1. There are vacant senator positions for the Schools of Arts & Humanities and Education. Members of the GSA should encourage students to apply for the positions.
    2. Amiyah would like to encourage a "buddy system" in which members of the GSA, especially E-Board and senators, make a point to reach out to other students and promote attendance at GSA meetings and events.
      - a) Try to reach out to those outside of your school/program
    3. Programming Initiatives
      - a) Discussion forums
        - (1) Interview skills (geared toward each school), time management, networking, crucial conversations; grant writing
        - (2) Times & days -- Fridays, around 40-50 minutes
        - (3) Jess will develop a plan; work has done something similar.
          - (a) Amiyah proposes a committee should form --  
Katlyn, Nicole; Erica

(b) By next week, a speaker will be identified for the first discussion

(c) Katlyn will reach out to Dr. Crystal Rodriguez about participating in December

(4) Michelle makes a motion to start planning the November discussion forum following the guidelines set above; Jess seconds.

(a) Discussion -- Eric encourages avoiding “low-hanging fruit” such as waiting too long to set up a forum. Katlyn advises that November is a good goal for both marketing and communicating with participants.

b) Eric suggests the idea of a mural or moveable art piece

(1) Drywall or similar that could be installed; student creation combined with engagement on social media

(2) Difficulties involved with art pieces, especially permanent

c) Mid-semester social-emotional “training and retreat” leadership conference? Would be beneficial but also would require planning and time.

B. Executive Vice President’s Report

1. Introduction

C. Vice President for Finance’s Report

1. Introduction

D. Vice President for Administration’s Report

1. Introduction

E. Senator Reports

1. Introductions

F. Dean’s Report

1. Introduction

VI. Closing Comments

VII. Michelle makes a motion to adjourn. Matthew seconds. Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.