

Buffalo State College

Graduate Student Association 21'-22'

Friday, February 11th, 2022

Minutes

I) Call to Order

II) GSA & Faculty Representative Roll Call

- Present: Alexander Krest, Javier Mejia, Malika Thompson, Jacob Houseknecht, Kristina Sisyukin, Suzanne Colligan
- Absent: Chelsea Simmeth, Sara Rinehart, Kate Carney, Austin Nagelhout

III) Approval of Minutes

- Motion: Kristina Sisyukin / Second: Jacob Houseknecht

IV) Approval of Agenda

- Motion: Kristina Sisyukin / Second: Javier Mejia

V) New Senator Introduction & Vote

- Neveah Dawkins introduces herself and discusses interest in joining the GSA as a senator for the School of Arts & Sciences
- Vote: Unanimous Approval

VI) Address From the Student Civic Leadership Board

- Devon Bradford from the SCLB addresses the GSA, discussing upcoming volunteer opportunities.

VII) Address From the Career Development Center

- Denise Harris of the CDC addresses the GSA, discussing upcoming professional development opportunities, and the newly created internship award.

VIII) President's Report

- An amendment of Article V / Sections 3 & 4 of the GSA Constitution is brought to the floor, and after discussion receives approval to be sent out to the student body for review. (In Favor: Krest / Thompson / Houseknecht / Sisyukin / Colligan \\\ Opposed: NA \\\ Abstain: Dawkins)
- A request is made to set aside \$1,000 from the student welfare line to fund materials needed for Graduate Student Appreciation Week events. After discussion a vote commences and the request is approved. (In Favor: Krest / Thompson / Houseknecht / Sisyukin / Colligan \\\ Opposed: NA \\\ Abstain: Dawkins)
- Upcoming Events are discussed along with the a recap of tabling events and the increase in social media activity.
- GSA openings are discussed relating to the absence of a VP of Administration and head of the Student Welfare Committee.

IX) Executive Vice President's Report

- Krest discusses recent and future grab and go events, the results of the merchandise order placed by the Merchandise & Giveaway Committee, the possibility of social media giveaways, and the increase of monetary awards for Capstone Competition podium earners from each school and campus wide.

X) Vice President for Administration's Report

- Mejia discusses recent funding requests, and personal finance workshop.

XI) Senator Reports

- Nothing to Report

XII) Dean's Report

- Dr. Miller discusses upcoming opportunities with the GSA, and partnership between the Graduate School and GSA for funding the planetarium celebration during Graduate Student Appreciation Week.
- Planetarium viewing options are discussed and voted upon, paying special attention to pick separate showings that will appeal to graduate students that have children, and educational experience, and a laser light show. A vote follows to ratify screening selections. (In Favor: Krest / Thompson / Houseknecht / Sisyukin / Colligan \\\ Opposed: NA \\\ Abstain: Dawkins)

XIII) Closing Comments

- Nothing to Report

XIV) Adjournment

- Motion: Sisyukin / Second: Mejia