

GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION **(GSA)**

Meeting Agenda

February 17th, 2017, 5:30p.m., Ketchum Hall (218)

- **Call to Order**
 - President Shaw called the meeting into order and welcomed all in attendance.
- **Adoption of Agenda**
- **Remarks of the President, Daniel Shaw**
 - President Shaw made remarks regarding the joint HESSA Collective welcome back event. Said he was pleased with the turnout.
 - Said that the theme of sustainability was still holding strong.
 - Number one priority for this semester is to make sure word gets out about the elections and that we have some competition.
- **Remarks of the Administrative Liaison, Dr. Kevin Miller and Dr. Nicholls**
 - Both stressed the importance of getting student feedback regarding the Graduate School Strategic Plan.
 - Dr. Nicholls made a point to make sure that a specific section of the plan be dedicated to the GSA and its growth.
 - Dr. Miller encouraged senators to share the plan with as many constituents as possible and that he would like to receive the feedback by Feb 24th.
- **Treasurer Report, Chelsea Kettle**
 - Handed out Treasure Report to individuals in attendance.
 - Explained that due to the high volume of request that she had gotten that in the fall semester she awarded about 10k more than she had expected to. All the individuals in which she awarded met criteria based on the constitution.
 - Due to this she explained that individuals requesting funding in the spring semester would not be negatively impacted because of this.
 - After speaking with Marnie, assistant to the Dean, she explained that since GSA funds started off low for the year, in combination with increased funding request that it may take a few years for funds to be back to normal.
 - Mention that there are a number of programs that do not request funds and there are some that request a lot. Not sure if it is an issue of poor advertising or if individuals in those programs simply don't require funding.
- **Committee Reports: Social Welfare and Budget & Allocation**
 - Neither chairs were in attendance
- **Constituent Comments/Questions**
 - President Shaw encouraged senators to get word out regarding elections.
- **Adjournment**
 - Meeting called to a close.