

Graduate Student Association (GSA)

Meeting Minutes

March 18, 2016 Ketchum 219

Call to Order

Adoption of Agenda: The agenda was adopted unanimously.

Remarks from the President: President Matos was not in attendance.

Remarks from Dr. Nicholls: Dr. Nicholls was not in attendance

Remarks from Dean Railey: Dean Railey said that E-Board elections are going on right now. We need to get people to run for the Treasurer position since that slot is still empty. We also need people to run for the Senator positions. Lastly, we need to talk about upcoming events and spread the word so that more people come to the events.

Committee Reports: Social Welfare Committee—Chairmen for these Committees were not in attendance so there is nothing to report on.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Delia recently funded 12 new students and paid the Lloyd's Taco event. Currently we have \$7,000.00 left in the Social Welfare Committee Funds and \$37,000.00 in the Academic Funds. Since last September we have spent \$35,000.00.

Old Business: The proposed Amendment still needs to be voted on by the Senators. **Secretary Blake** asked what we should do about this since this is the fourth meeting where we do not have enough Senators present to vote on this. **Dean Railey** said we will have to schedule an E-Board meeting and make phone calls to the Senators to see if they still want the position and what their vote is on the Amendment.

New Business: The Graduate Research Fair is May 6th. We are still waiting for proposals to be submitted. Students will have their poster for the presentation paid for. We are still waiting for people to submit for the thesis proposal. We have 7 volunteer judges and each person who enters the competition will get a prize. **Treasurer Delia** said she budgeted \$1,000.00 for new GSA swag and will make sure that it is here in time to be handed out at the event. Again, the treasurer seat is still open and we need someone to run for that position. **President Matos** suggested that we hand out pins to the Graduate students as a gift after commencement. **Secretary Blake** and **Senator Mfodwo** said that pins are already given to students in the black tubes that they are given when walking across stage. **Dean Railey** said he will check with Institutional Advancement about this and get back to everyone. The GSA will also be providing refreshments for Parker's documentary on April 4th. **Secretary Blake** asked if the GSA E-Board members and Senators still want to have stoles made for graduation. The response was "yes" and **Secretary Blake** has been charged with the responsibility of coming up with pictures and quotes for stoles.

Vice President Tucceri added that he spoke with people from the Buffalo State Record and to advertise the Research Fair an ad the size of 1/8 of a page is free to student organizations, 1/4 page is \$125, and \$400 for a whole page. We will be going with the 1/8 page.

Movement to Adjourn is seconded. Session has ended.

Attendees:

Dean Railey

President Matos

Vice President Tucceri

Secretary Blake

Treasurer Delia

Senator Shaw

Senator Lewis