

Graduate Student Association Meeting Minutes
December 2, 2016 6:08 PM

I. Introduction

Present:

- President - Kate Ayote
- Secretary - Eric Vargas
- Promotions and Marketing Coordinator – Imani Heron
- Vice President of Finance – Joann Jarvis (Conference Call)

Graduate Students:

- Jeremy Kinkaid

Absent:

- Vice President of Programming - Theresa Giard

II. Events

A. End of Semester – Fall 2016

- December 8th, 7:30PM, Puerto Vallarta: Authentic Mexican Restaurant, 2385 Berlin Turnpike Newington, CT – 20 people

B. Event Ideas for Spring

1. Alumni Day – Networking event between current graduate students and alumni (up to 5 years)
2. Graduate Student Family Day – Geared towards Graduate Students who are parents as a way to involve children. Event could be a (pizza?) movie night, a Family fun day, etc.
3. Social Security Administration Presentation
4. May 19 - Graduation Reception – to use wallet stands and flutes
5. February – Academic Awards reception, Dean of Graduate Studies is requesting funds for food. Participation TBD

Marketing

Imani shall communicate any marketing strategies and announcements of the GSA, simultaneously, to Ashley and Caroline for a smoother process of updating/emailing students.

Suggestions: Email an updated flyer every month, Look into Mailchimp as a possible tool.

Spring 2017 Meeting Times

1st Friday of each month at 6PM

- February 3, 2017
- March 3, 2017
- April 7, 2017
- May 5, 2017

Study Abroad Scholarship

Motion # (17-25)

Kate motions not to exceed \$3000 in the allocation of reserve funds towards study abroad scholarships.

Joan seconded the motion.

Motion was approved with a vote of 5 (Yes), 0 (No), and 0 (Abstained)

Motion # (17-26)

Eric motions to approve and award the qualifying Study Abroad Scholarship applicants with \$330 each, totaling \$2970.

Kate seconded the motion.

Motion was approved with a vote of 5 (Yes), 0 (No), and 0 (Abstained)

Next Meeting (closed): January 6, 2017 @ 6:00PM

Submitted by: Eric Vargas

Date: December 2, 2016