

GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

5 November 2018 Meeting Minutes

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Monday, November 5th, 2018

Attendance

E-Board Members: Andres Cintron, Monika Chudy, Freddy Rios, Julia Hoke, Betz Casas, Jacob Battye, Gaby Bierworth

Staff: Sue Sweeney

Meeting began 7:00pm Clocktower Room

I. Budget

Scholarship deadline needs to be changed to January 25^{th} on the GSA website – J. Hoke will contact IT

The Chinese American Students Association requested \$50 to sponsor two graduate students to go on a trip to NYC

NCE Exam request denied by unanimous vote

Motion 19-07

A. Cintron motioned to grant \$50 from the GSA operations account (GSA903) to the Chinese American Students Association to sponsor two graduate students to go to NYC

Freddy. Rios seconded motion

II. Finance Committee

- G. Bierworth is working on updating GSA Finances for the Fall Semester
- J. Battye suggests amendment to GSA Constitution clarifying the text in Section 7 stating that students must have a 3.0 GPA. The GSA Board would like to reword the statement to be reflect first semester students who have not had established a GPA. The Board would like to make sure first semester grad students know they also qualify to be voted on next meeting
- G. Bierworth suggests amendment to GSA Constitution Section 3 conference scholarships may not exceed \$1,000 must be changed to be consistent with application or removed all together to be voted on next meeting
- G. Bierworth adjustments to the scholarship application clarify that students cannot apply for more than one scholarship per year; clarify statement: conference scholarship allocations rarely exceed \$1,000 (consideration given based on financial need)



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Grammar check on GSA Constitution

III. Events

December 1st – brewery outing – giveaway (glasses)

Coffee with Dr. Toro – working on setting a date

Winter commencement – December 16th (snow date December 18th); more information needed; gift needed

Potential trip to the casino

IV. Marketing

Newsletter will be posted on the GSA page on the CCSU website

November newsletter – combined with December

Pictures including recent events

Congratulations to the students who were awarded scholarships this semester – reminder of the January deadline for the spring semester; graduate societies; study abroad scholarships

Highlighting events GSA has put on so far to increase interest in future events

Important CCSU dates (registration, commencement, Mindfulness conference)

Including a "Highlight" section for student successes – potentially for this month, potentially for next semester

Veteran's Day ceremony

CCSU Foundation scholarships

V. Adjournment - 8:10pm

Next meeting to be held on December 3rd at 7pm in the Clocktower Room