

## GPSO Assembly meeting – October 7, 2011

- Call to Order
- Approval of the minutes
  - We are going to start approving the minutes – make sure to read over them because on November 4, we will vote to approve September and October minutes
  - Check for accuracy, clarity, and spelling
- Approval of the agenda
  - Make sure you email LaNita ([gpsopres@indiana.edu](mailto:gpsopres@indiana.edu)) if you want something added to the agenda for each meeting
- Community concern
  - Before we adjourn each meeting, we will have a call for community concerns. This will be an open time for people to announce events or concerns to the assembly
- Happy Hour
  - October 7, 2011 from 7-9 at Farm
- Guest Speaker
  - Brad Wheeler coming on November 4 to talk about e-texts
  - Will tailor this to grad students
- Elections
  - We'll be having election so that we need everyone to be present or to send a proxy
- Officer vacancy – Treasurer
  - Call for people to self-nominate or nominate others
  - You'll need to provide a statement before the November meeting so we can vote on who to elect to this position
  - **Nominations DUE OCTOBER 14 to [gpsopres@indiana.edu](mailto:gpsopres@indiana.edu)**
  - After LaNita receives the emails, she will ask people to provide **statements**
    - **Candidate statements due by OCTOBER 21<sup>st</sup>**
  - **Absentee ballots**
    - **Due NOVEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>** (if you can't make the meeting and can't send a proxy)
    - If you are sending an absentee ballot, you have to do so from an Indiana.edu email account.
  - Statements on experience and desire to work with grad students will be circulated so people have time to consider who they are going to vote for.
  - **Election on November 4<sup>th</sup>**
  - Refer to the Constitution for the duties of the treasurer (attached to every agenda that is sent out before the meeting, also on the GPSO website)
  - Candidates can be from your department or outside and it is not limited to people who are currently in GPSO.
  - Yearly stipend is available.
- Dean McKaig Leadership Fund
  - Last call for this fund
  - Due today – October 7, 2011

- \$1,000 for people attending or planning a conference or event based on leadership.
- Open to undergrad and graduate / professional students.
- Heads up for next year! Keep this in mind since we just received word about it.
- Campus Safety Issues
  - Student Advisory Board meets with Provost Hansen and Dean Goldsmith once a month
  - IUSA Women's Affairs states that this is one of the worst years on IU's campus for safety in general
    - Double digit numbers for sexual assault
    - Robberies, etc.
  - There is an attempt to change orientation to address this issue.
  - This doesn't pertain to graduate students because we're not here, but IUSA will attend a future assembly meeting so that we can give input on how to make AIs involved or to alert them of safety issues they might not have been aware of.
  - May try to form a committee to get us on paper so we have a role in changing the culture on campus.
- Committee Council Highlights
  - 75-80% of the councils that we have a seat on have been filled – Very exciting!
  - There are still openings and we will update the list and send out the vacancies so that people can volunteer to sit on a committee.
  - We want to make sure that GPSO has a voice in the policies that get passed.
  - Highlights from Committee –
    - LaNita will highlight some of the meeting minutes, but Anna will post other minutes on the GPSO website
  - Vacancy Notice
    - Hearing condition – will sit on a board that makes decisions on violations of student policy and conduct.
    - No graduate students found in violation in the last two years but we still need someone to be ready to serve on the jury
    - If there is a grad student found in violation, they will want to sit in front of a jury of their peers, so we really need a grad student to sit on this committee.
    - There are only two training sessions.
    - If you're interested in student ethics, this might be the committee for you.
    - If you are interested in sitting on this committee, please email LaNita at [gpsopres@indiana.edu](mailto:gpsopres@indiana.edu) or Anna at [gps@indiana.edu](mailto:gps@indiana.edu)
- Anna's report (communications coordinator)
  - PhD Comics film – there is an interest in bringing this to campus
  - It costs \$700 to show it and an extra \$1500 for the director to come
  - We are trying to find a venue
    - Put an app in with IU Cinema to show it in January but they haven't gotten back to us yet.

- If anyone is interested in helping Anna bring this to IU, please email her at [gspo@indiana.edu](mailto:gspo@indiana.edu).
- Where is the funding going to come from?
  - Once we know we can show it, there is the possibility that the Graduate Recreation Organization could front the \$700, but not the \$1500.
  - There is also the possibility that we might be able to budget the PhD Comic movie into the GPSO budget.
  - At the next meeting, this possibility will be discussed.
    - If and when it comes time to vote on this, then you will be alerted well in advance.
  - IU Cinema sometimes covers the costs of bringing a director
    - This is a possibility only if we get the IU Cinema and it is not guaranteed
- GPSO website
  - The “Reps” page on the website has all of the minutes and the agendas.
  - There is also a Constitution attached to each agenda and available online.
- Facebook
  - Changing the GPSO Facebook account from a personal account to a group account
- Announcements
  - Contact Anna if you have announcements that need to go out in the newsletter (Due Thursdays)
  - Email her at [gspo@indiana.edu](mailto:gspo@indiana.edu)
- Jennylynn
  - September’s social hour at Nick’s was successful
  - Today’s is at Farm
    - We’re going to vary it up – won’t always be at Farm
  - There are limitations to where we can meet
    - Nick’s changed their merchant code to a drinking establishment, so the GPSO credit card will not work
    - Farm is a “sure thing” but we will look into other places
    - We are open to suggestions for event ideas
      - Ex. Looking into Yogi’s
      - We need a space that can be easily consolidated so we can keep all the GPSO people together
  - IMU Back Alley on 9/23
    - Partnered with BGSA
    - Free bowling and billiards for two hours
    - Event was very successful
  - GPSO Partnering for events
    - GPSO is interested in partnering with departments and Graduate associations, so contact Jennylynn if you want to do this
    - [GPSOPR@indiana.edu](mailto:GPSOPR@indiana.edu)

- Needs your name, department you're in and an idea of the type of event you want us to co-sponsor
  - October 2, 2011—Oliver Winery
    - Nice Wine and cheese event
    - An example of a different type of event we are open to doing in the future
  - Upcoming events
    - Tonight: Farm for social hour
    - Bloomington Playwrights Project – Next Thursday at 7 p.m.
      - Free night of theater!
      - Free food at the reception
      - Performance starts at 8 p.m.
      - For more details, go to the GPSO website
      - No RSVP necessary, first come, first served
  - Academic events
    - GPSO partnering with IUB libraries for two part workshop
      - 10/28 from 12-1 in Room E174 in Wells Library
        - Workshop about copyright and how it pertains to grad students
      - 11/11 from 12-1 in Room E174 in Wells Library
        - About Scholarly communication
- Patrick – Vice President
  - Met with IUSA President – Justin Kingsolver
    - Trying to touch base with IUSA so we can work together in the future
  - Pat sitting on AUSA (All University Student Association)
    - All campuses, discussing broad concerns for students
  - Halloween Party – Law School and Business School
    - Usually just the professional students, but this year it is open to all departments
    - October 28 -- \$5 – email Pat and you can sell tickets
      - If you sell tickets, you get \$2 per ticket to your department
    - [thomaspc@indiana.edu](mailto:thomaspc@indiana.edu) – Email Patrick if you want to get tickets
    - Halloween Party from 8-1 – Dress up!
  - Trick-or-treating in the basement of the Law School
    - Family Event that is open to all
    - Free event
    - October 28<sup>th</sup>
- Edwin – Diversity Council
  - Contact Edwin if you want to be on this council
  - The council is in response to promoting diversity on campus and an opportunity to serve on a committee that reports right to the executive committee
  - The ad for this council is in the newsletter
  - Diversity council has 5 seats in assembly, so let people in your department know that they can do this even if they aren't in assembly.

- Shana – Parliamentarian Report
  - Don't forget that the Constitution and By-Laws is attached to the agenda and is on the GPSO website
  - Make use of the website
- Benefits – Eric
  - Health Care
  - If you want to come to the meeting about health care, let LaNita know and she will get you in touch with Eric
- Awards -- Kevin
  - Kevin needs help for the awards committee, contact [gpsy@indiana.edu](mailto:gpsy@indiana.edu) if you want to get involved with this
- Sustainability – Jacob
  - We're working to get a seat on the Student Sustainability Council
  - Trying to get a Sustainability seat on the Student Advisory Board
  - Contact him if you want to help with this council
- Community Concerns – What concerns does the assembly have?
  - None stated at this meeting.
- Motion to Adjourn at
  - Adjourned at 4:14.