UCR GSA Council Meeting Minutes
March 5, 2014 7:00pm HUB 355

1. Call to Order @ 7:03pm

a. Present

- Sandeep Dhall (President)
- Darcie McCelland Descalzo (Vice President)
- Preston Venter (Vice President of Academic Affairs)
- Michael Young (Public Relations Officer)
- Wei-Ting Lee (Health Insurance Officer)
- Tushar Nangnure (Finance Officer)
- Edgar Humberto Tellez Foster (International Student Officer)
- Matt Valdez (Secretary)
- Amanda James (Conference Travel Grant Coordinator)
- Nicole Sparks (Legislative Liaison)
- Lewis Luartz (Campus Organizing Director)

1. Approval of Minutes and Agenda
   a. Motion to approve minutes and agenda. Minutes approved

2. Conference proposals for March
   a. We have 13,000 for the year. Currently have $8170 (63%) left.
   b. Neuroscience mini-GSA – Brain Awareness Day
      i. Has great community outreach potential for graduate students
      ii. Estimated 600 people to attend
      iii. March 12th, 2014
      iv. Motion to fund @ $2,000.00
         1. Yea: 27
         2. Nay: 0
         3. Abstain: 0
   c. History mini-GSA – Education in Antiquity Conference
      i. 1st Annual event, department wants to start more interdepartmental activities
      ii. April 12th, 2014
      iii. Motion to fund @ $400.00
         1. Yea: 28
         2. Nay: 0

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Legislative Liaison
Not present.

f. Legislative liaison
i. Not present

COD

i. Google hangout with J. Napolitano happened
ii. 2/21/14 Executive Director of UCSA candidate interviews happened in Sacramento. Third round is coming up.

h. VPAA
i. Worked with Neuroscience and History department for 3 events this semester.
ii. Increased active members to 1431
iii. Large increase in joint business social events

EVP

i. Working on presenting in Darcie’s absence
ii. Agenda for GradProf meetings
iii. Attended the USCA Board Meeting
iv. Elections!

1. Need to know by March 14th, 2014
v. Need to vote on referendum that went out last meeting: Student Services Fee $14/quarterly.
   1. This would fund 7 more student programs.
   2. The return to aid will include graduate students
   3. We asked for details regarding how the money would be spent and did not receive it
   4. People are requesting more information

5. Motion to table the referendum until we get more information and not move it ballot until that is available
   a. Yea: 27
   b. Nay: 1
   c. Abstain: 2

j. President
i. Graduate Lounge- talking with Todd Wingate about an issue with UG sleeping in that space. We want to limit access to graduate students. Todd wants to speak with a few graduate reps to give ideas how to limit space.
ii. Will be discussing alcohol on campus through the Barn. Other campuses have it, so we will be trying to pass this on campus.
iii. Sexual Assault policy will be distributed
iv. Creation of new Master Plan for UC. Need to revisit and reword. It was written at a time education was free
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