

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

1. Call to Order @ 7:03pm

a. Present

- Sandeep Dhall (President)
- Darcie McCellandDescalzo (Vice President)
- Preston Williams (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 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014
- iv. Motion to fund @ **\$2,000.00**

1. **Yea: 27**

2. Nay: 0

3. Abstain: 0

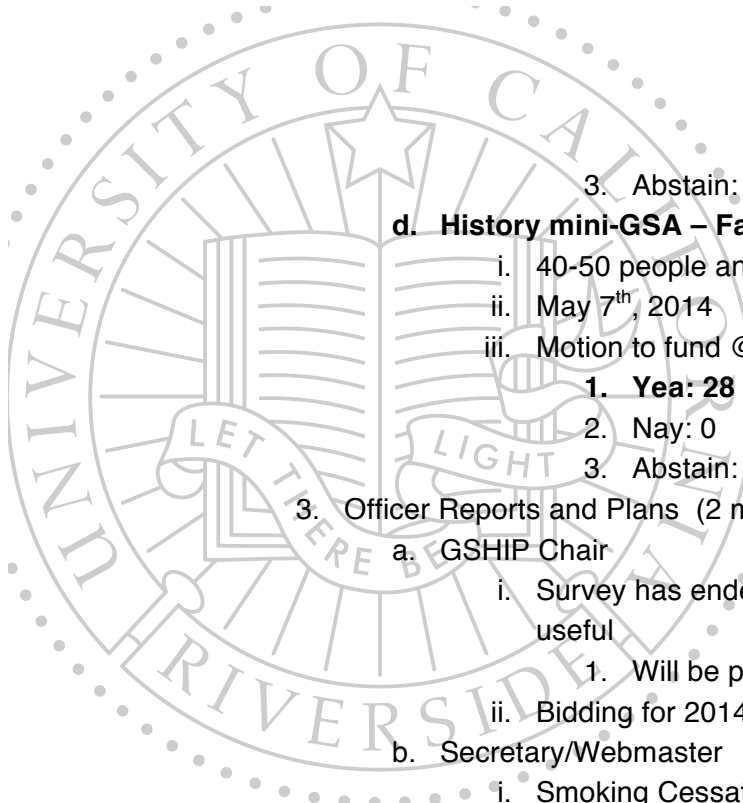
**c. History mini-GSA – Education in Antiquity Conference**

- i. 1<sup>st</sup> Annual event, department wants to start more interdepartmental activities
- ii. April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014
- iii. Motion to fund @ **\$400.00**

1. **Yea: 28**

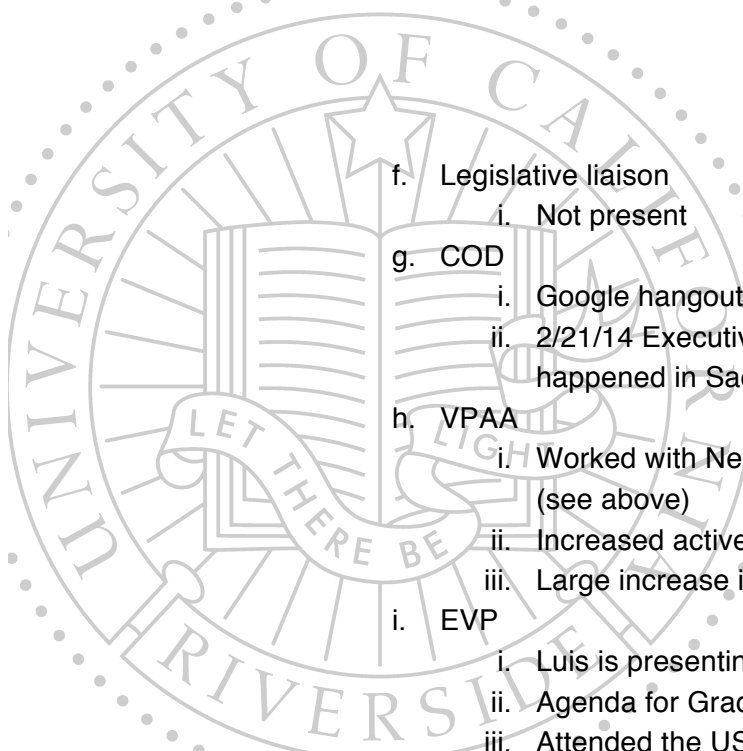
2. Nay: 0

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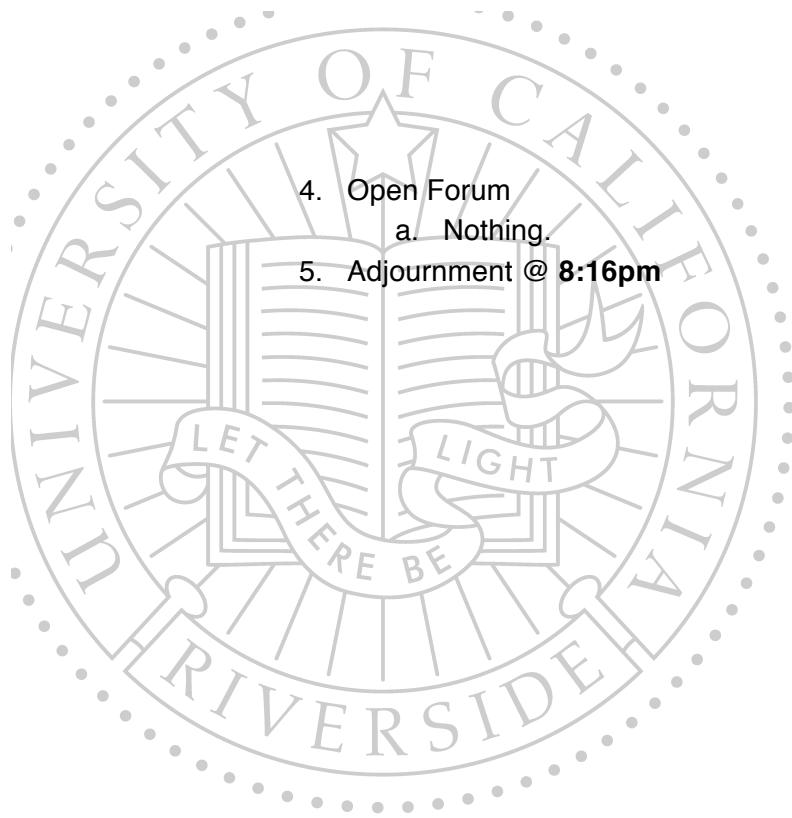


- 3. Abstain: 0
- d. History mini-GSA – Family History – Exploring an Emerging Field**
  - i. 40-50 people anticipated
  - ii. May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014
  - iii. Motion to fund @ **\$250.00**
    - 1. Yea: 28**
    - 2. Nay: 0
    - 3. Abstain: 1
- 3. Officer Reports and Plans (2 mins maximum)**
  - a. GSHIP Chair
    - i. Survey has ended. 540 graduate student responses, 446 were useful
      - 1. Will be processing Comments this month
      - ii. Bidding for 2014-15 insurance plan
  - b. Secretary/Webmaster
    - i. Smoking Cessation Products are available through health center
    - ii. Created Seminar Calendar, will be adding more departments soon
    - iii. Meeting with TAPS to post info on website for parking
  - c. International Student Affairs Officer
    - i. There is an task force being gathered to make Riverside the most International-Friendly city in California
  - d. AAO's
    - i. CNAS
      - 1. Seminars are online now
    - ii. CHASS
      - 1. Not present
    - iii. BioMed
      - 1. Not present
    - iv. BCOE
      - 1. Not present
    - v. GSOE
      - 1. Not present
    - vi. AGSM
      - 1. Not present
  - e. PR officer
    - i. Coffee social coming up during Finals week
    - ii. Joint Club night with USC, UCI, UCLA, CalTech
      - 1. Bus students to club in Hollywood
      - 2. Need enough students to fill bus, then it will cost ~\$15-30
      - 3. April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014

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- f. Legislative liaison
    - i. Not present
  - g. 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 (see above)
    - ii. Increased active members to 1431
    - iii. Large increase in joint business social events
  - i. EVP
    - i. Luis is presenting in Darcie's absence
    - ii. Agenda for GradProf meetings
    - iii. Attended the USCA Board Meeting
    - iv. Elections!
      - 1. Need to know by March 14<sup>th</sup>, 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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4. Open Forum
  - a. Nothing.
5. Adjournment @ **8:16pm**



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