



UCR GSA Council Meeting Agenda
May 7, 2014 7:00pm HUB 355

- 7:00pm** Call to Order
- Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Minutes from previous meeting
- 7:15pm** General Officer Reports
- 7:25pm** Public Relations
- Hosting Adam Ruben
- 7:35pm** CNAS AAO
- 7:45pm** • Open Forum
- 7:50pm** Adjournment

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Officer Reports for Council Meeting Month Day, Year

President - Sandeep Dhall

Nothing to report.

Vice President - Darcie McCelland Descalzo

Nothing to report.

Vice President of Academic Affairs – Preston Williams

- 1) No new conference proposals. Less than \$750 left in conference budget
- 2) Graduate Council Library Committee.
 - a) Newly formed committee – Will begin meeting within the next month
 - i) Will examine and identify issues to make the library better for UCR
 - ii) Will begin serving on the committee – I am actively looking for someone to take over the role
- 3) Many mini-GSA events
 - a) Business socials
 - i) History, English, Plant Physiology and many more are currently planning events to help with rollover of leadership to next academic year
 - b) mini-GSA Elections
 - i) Have assisted many mini-GSA with elections
 - c) Member Recruitment
 - i) Increasing numbers in mini-GSAs so they can receive more money next year
- 4) New paperwork for mini-GSA
 - a) Reimbursements
 - i) 3 types
 - ii) Normal meetings, business socials and student conferences
 - (1) List of items needed to ensure reimbursement is prepared properly
 - b) Reactivation for 2014-2015 Academic Year
 - i) Make sure all mini-GSAs are active as soon as possible next year
 - ii) Show the contacts at GSA and StudentLife
- 5) AAO Business Social
 - a) For mini-GSA representative
 - b) Mini-GSA outreach

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Public Relations Officer – Michael Young

1. Club Night
 - a. Overall Success
 - i. Last minute changes in attendance caused some problems
 - ii. Bus company concerns
 - iii. Will need to ensure next year that the event either makes or doesn't based on attendance, to allow us to cancel if we can't break even.
 - iv. Can possibly use GSA funds in future if pre-approved by administrators.
2. Grad Bash
 - a. Next Gradbash is on May 15th from 5PM until 7:30 PM.
 - b. More doorprizes, more pizza options, more happy hour beer pricing!
3. Voting
 - a. Door prizes for voters will be given out at specific times, on May 5th from 9-10 AM or May 6th from 10-11AM (or by appointment).
 - b. Notifications will be sent out by email.

Health Insurance Officer – Wei-Ting Lee

Nothing to report.

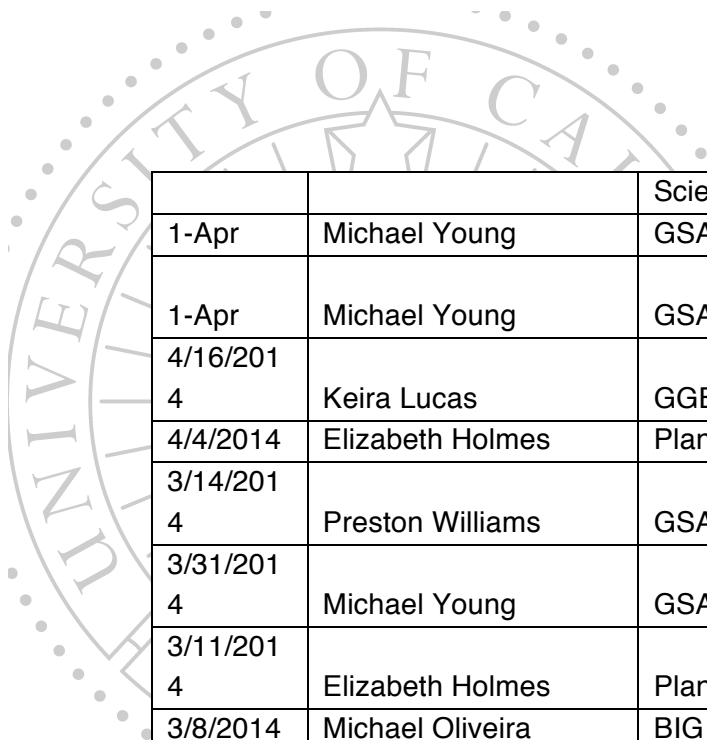
Finance Officer - Tushar Nangnure

- Following is the list of reimbursements I approved in the month of April 2014. These amounts might change when they actually get reimbursed
- Updated the mini-GSA outstanding balances list.

April 2014

Date	Name	Department	Amount *	Purpose
2/12/2014	Diana Lee	Comp Lit & AGSHS	\$200.76	Interdepartmental socials
3/6/2014	Patrick Ryan	Philosophy	\$70.86	Luncheon/workshop
4/4/2014	Kathleen Foster	EEOB	\$110.77	Quarterly meeting
4/2/2014		GGSB	\$34.43	Meeting
4/4-4/7	Darcie McClelland Descalzo	GSA	\$559.72	EVP Travel
20-Mar	Fang Jia	Environment	\$29.13	Travel Grant meeting

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		Science		
1-Apr	Michael Young	GSA	\$2,280	GSA merchandise
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4/16/2014	Keira Lucas	GGB	\$32.91	Meeting
4/4/2014	Elizabeth Holmes	Plant pathology	\$195.61	Monthly meeting
3/14/2014	Preston Williams	GSA	\$64.36	AAO meeting
3/31/2014	Michael Young	GSA	\$75	e-board meeting
3/11/2014	Elizabeth Holmes	Plant pathology	\$62.99	Meetings
3/8/2014	Michael Oliveira	BIG GSA	\$118.93	Meeting
2/26/2014	Michael Oliveira	BIG GSA	\$95	Meeting
3/25/2014	Michael young	GSA	\$103.18	Coffee Socials
3/4/2014	Jennifer Cullin	SAGA	\$70.23	Meetings
3/4/2014	Sandeep Dhall	GSA	\$21.02	travel
3/10/2014	Edgar foster	GSA	\$28	SurveyMonkey subscription
26-Feb	Danae-Gmuer Johnson	CHASS	\$22.45	Meetings
3/28/2014	Elizabeth Luscher	Botany	\$300	Fundraiser
16-Mar	Mary Kacarab	CEE	\$221.44	Grad Welcome

International Students Officer – Edgar Humberto Tellez Foster

Nothing to report.

Secretary/ Webmaster – Matt Valdez

Nothing to report.

Conference Travel Grant Coordinator - Amanda James

1. Chaired CTG Committee Meeting

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i. Committee approved May travel as follows:

World: (5)	@ \$600
NA: (0)	@ \$500
US: (27)	@ \$400
SW (20)	@ \$300
Attendees (10)	@ \$100
Total: 62	

Max Payout: \$20,800.00

2. Finishing the last of March travel (83 travelers)

i. A lot of applications were not complete, so there has been a lot of footwork with a lot of students to correct this.

a. Trying to think how to address this in the future; our policy is to deny them, but I don't think this is a proper solution.

3. Working on April travel

4. Reimbursed March Travel

i. \$25,796.52* (max \$31,200)

a. *A few outstanding applications

5. Additional GSA CTG Workshop Planning

a. Setting new dates for May

b. BCOE specific workshop

c. Wednesday lunchtime "Ask the CTG coordinator" events?

Legislative Liaison - Nicole Sparks

- UCSA April Board Meeting Sacramento, CA
- UCSA Grad/Prof survey
 - Sent out emails to graduate population for the survey

Campus Organizing Director - Lewis Luartz

4. Student Technology Fee Advisory Committee Meetings

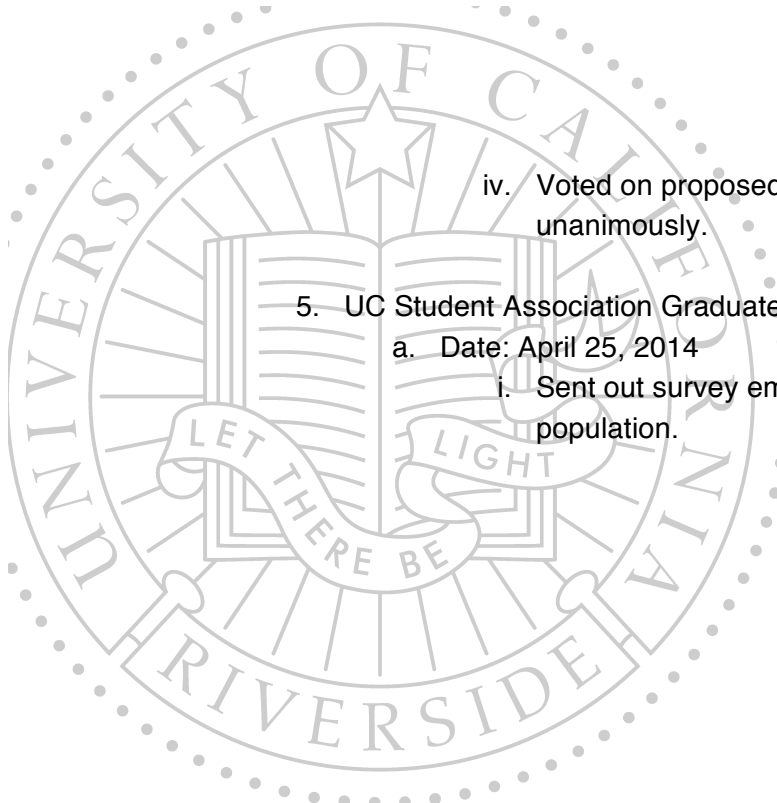
a. Dates: March 31-April 7, 2014

i. Discussed upcoming projects pending approval and possible bylaw changes.

ii. Discussed new means of increasing communication with the campus community for the Fall (due to the upcoming annual call for projects occurring each Fall).

iii. Voted on proposed projects: all but one were approved unanimously.

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iv. Voted on proposed bylaw changes: changes were approved unanimously.

5. UC Student Association Graduate/Professional Student Survey

a. Date: April 25, 2014

i. Sent out survey emails (225) to the graduate student population.

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Academic Affairs Officer Reports for Council Meeting Month Day, Year

Biomedical Sciences – Alex Chan

1. Graduate Student Seminars 4PM in SOM Education Building
 - a. 3rd Flood School of Medicine Research Building
 - i. May 5, 2014
 1. **Lori Raetzman, University of Illinois**
 - ii. May 12, 2014
 1. **Daniel Dumesic, UCLA School of Medicine**
 - iii. May 19, 2014
 1. **Jerry Turner, University of Chicago**
 - b. Elevator Talks
 - a. Date: End of May
 - b. Seminar/Workshop on giving elevator speeches
 - i. In an elevator

Bourns College of Engineering - Darshana Wickramaratne

1. Setting up first group meeting with mini GSA reps within BCOE. Tentatively planned for 2nd week May. Will invite CTG Coordinator to give presentation on CTG application process.

College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences – Lauren Hale

1. CNAS mini-GSA reps, I will arrange a lunch meeting with you all in May and provide packets of information on the responsibilities of departmental GSA representatives for the 2014-2015 year. All CNAS mini-GSA reps should attend, old and new.
2. I discussed TAs in a meeting with Deans Yates, Atkinson, and Larive. I will continue to work with Dean Atkinson to ensure that there is greater transparency in the number of TAs applied for vs the number awarded each quarter.
3. Please add your department's or organization's seminars and symposia to the CNAS calendar.

Graduate School of Education – Elizabeth Sturgeon

Nothing to report.

Anderson Graduate School of Management – Jibrán Ahmad

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College Of Humanities, Arts, And Social Sciences- Danae Gmuer-Johnson

1. CHASS Rep Coffee Social
 - a. We had another CHASS Coffee Social in early April, attendance was low.
 - b. Thank you Preston (VPAA) for attending again!
 - c. At the social we discussed the CHASS Spring BBQ
2. CHASS Spring BBQ
 - a. We discussed several options for the BBQ, the outcome being (after another separate meeting with the VPAA) that we will have the Spring BBQ on May 22nd as a joint-AAO event.
 - b. The Spring BBQ cannot include Mini-GSA contributions due to policy.
 - c. Location will likely be held at the Botanical Gardens, will be billed as a recruitment and new mini-GSA officer event.
3. CHASS Events Calendar
 - a. Made more progress with the calendar, have been continually updating/adding events as I can gather them.

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