UCR GSA Council Meeting Minutes
April 1, 2015 7:00pm HUB 355

1. Call to Order @ 7:05pm
   a. Present
      X Preston Williams (President)
      X Lewis Luartz (Vice President)
      X Danae Gmuer-Johnson (Vice President of Academic Affairs)
      X Danielle Pitt (Public Relations Officer)
      X Melania Abrahamian (Health Insurance Officer)
      X Ting Yan Adela Ng (Finance Officer)
      X Matt Valdez (Secretary)
      X Magi Mettry (Conference Travel Grant Coordinator)
      X Nicole Sparks (Legislative Liaison)
      X Edgar Tellez Foster (International Student Officer)
      X Charles Abbott (Campus Organizing Director)

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

2. Invited Speaker – Physical Master Plan
   a. Will update GSA council on progress of physical master plan
      i. Increasing 300 faculty
      ii. Increasing student enrollment to 30,000
   b. Discussion about future graduate student involvement
      i. Hosted a master plan workshop with students
   c. There will be an interactive map on www.planning.ucr.edu
   d. Open Questions/Discussion

3. Invited Speaker – StudentLife
   a. Will update GSA council on current events organized by StudentLife
   b. Discussion about how to include graduate students more in the future
      i. Joseph and Adam came here to speak
      ii. Wednesday is R Day
         1. Faculty and staff are encouraged to wear UCR gear
      iii. They find that many graduate students are not aware of this campus tradition

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iv. With sidebars lists events hosted on R Day
   a. Pre-registration has been opened up now for mini-GSA
b. Questions/Answers
   1. Discussion regarding student dodge-ball teams
   2. Extending the food truck times

4. Preston requests to move $1000 from reserves to conference grants fund
   Motion
   a. Yea: 37
   b. Nay: 0
   c. Abstain: 0

5. Departmental Co-sponsorship Student Conferences
   a. Mechanical Engineering
      i. 2015 Research Symposium
         ii. Request Amount $800
         iii. Recommendation from Events and Allocation Committee (EA)
   iv. Vote
      1. Motion
         a. Yea: 37
         b. Nay: 0
         c. Abstain: 0

6. Community Outreach Events – Updates and Vote
   a. History Department Community Outreach Event
   b. Ratification of GSA Executive Board Vote to fund for $997 to fund their event
      i. Vote
         1. Motion
            a. Yea: 39
            b. Nay: 0
            c. Abstain: 0
      c. Asian-Pacific Oral Histories Collection Project
      d. Working with the Local Riverside Museum
      e. Update on events funded thus far this year
      f. Update on progress of grant to fund GSA community outreach

7. Officer Reports/Updates
   a. AAOs

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i. Darshana (BCOE)
   1. Looking for new candidates for AAO

ii. Nichole (CNAS)
   1. Reminder that Brain Awareness Day is April 22, 2015
   2. Please answer our doodle poll for next meeting

iii. Erin (CHASS)
   i. Will be setting up another meeting with CHASS reps

iv. Sara (AGSM)
   i. Not present

v. Luis (Biomed/SOM)
   i. Not present

b. Webmaster/Secretary – Matt
   i. Subreddit is being developed

Travel Grant Coordinator – Magi
i. Switched from Yahoo! to Gmail account

International Student Officer – Edgar
i. In talks to get a card for services for the spouse of international students

Legislative Liaison – Nicole
i. Local lobby visit will begin soon

Campus Organizing Director – Charles
i. Not present

Finance Officer – Adela
i. Not present
ii. Will vote on next years budget at next council

GSHIP Officer – Melania
i. May have more information by next week regarding new insurance plan

Public Relations Officer – Danielle
i. Not present
ii. Grad Bash had 250 attendees

Vice President of Academic Affairs – Danae
i. Need more art submission
   1. Not a lot of submission
   a. Extended the deadline for week

Executive Vice President – Lewis
i. Last UCSA meeting proposed a new fee for students
ii. Attended meeting for UC Sexual Assault Policy

President – Preston
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1. Met with 2-3 assembly members and state senators to advocate for grad student issues.

Physical Master Plan

- Affordable housing may be a big issue.
- Met with President Napolitano
- Discussed campus police
- Discussed supplemental tuition

4. Discussed housing

- Discussed programing specifically for graduate students
- The budget looks like it may be tight next year based on Student Service Fee
- He has filed an appeal

8. Open Forum

Anthropology mini-GSA is having conference in HUB 355 this Friday from 8am-3pm

9. Adjournment @ 8:01pm