Graduate Student Council Regular Meeting
January 11, 2018
7:30 pm
Law LL075

Call Meeting to Order

Officer Reports:

● President- Lily Assgari
  ○ Lily sits on a committee that is reviewing fees associated with courses
  ○ Working on a survey to send to students to get information about course fees so please fill it out for graduate courses as well as if you were a UofL undergrad
  ○ Going to put in resolution to SGA saying that the description of the fee should be stated in the course listing and possibly in the syllabus so students can confirm that the course fee is justified

● Internal Vice President- Luis Cardona
  ○ No report

● External Vice President- Kelsey Kaht
  ○ Research conference planning
    ■ Contacted 34 people who have received GSC research grants and have not yet presented at a GSC conference so hopefully they will present this year if not next
    ■ Currently there are 23 abstracts submitted, deadline next Friday Jan 19
    ■ Posters will be judged and top posters will win prizes but oral talks will not be judged and instead there will be an audience “fan favorite” vote
    ■ Went over tentative schedule for the conference
    ■ Need volunteers to review abstracts the week of Jan 22
    ■ Need to determine location, will vote on this later
  ○ Bowling night for graduate students
    ■ SAB is funding the free event for grad students but GSC has been asked to buy snacks, will vote on this later

● Director of Travel- Manooch Saeedi
  ○ Still out of funds for the travel grants, already 12-15 on waitlist

● Director of Finance- Pegah Sagheb
  ○ Graduate research fund opened today and will close Feb 11

● Director of Communications- Jakia Marie
  ○ If your department is having an event, let Jakia know so she can spread the word
  ○ Diversity committee is meeting after we are done here

● Committee Reports
Unfinished Business

New Business

- Approval of Minutes from Meeting on December 7, 2017
  - Minutes approved unanimously
- Update on Constitutional Amendments
  - These have been pushed through E-board so will talk to Dean Mardis then SGA senate after that to get them approved
- Update on Supreme Court Decision regarding GSC Elections
  - They voted against us and we cannot host our own elections this year so we will be in the SGA elections this year
  - Lily will get together candidate information for everyone so you can determine if you want to run for GSC office
  - SGA will begin to collect candidate information in mid-February
  - Winning candidates will be announced March 2, the day after our GSC meeting, so there will be a short transition
- Approval of funds for GSC to provide snacks at SAB bowling event
  - Approved $250 for snacks for Jan 19 bowling event
  - Chips, popcorn, candy and plates/cups
- Vote on Research Conference location
  - Approved location of Belknap for Friday and HSC for Saturday
- Approval of Today’s Attendance:
  - Departments with no representatives at the meeting: Communication (COM), History (HIST), Political Science (POLS), Urban and Public Affairs (Public Admin) (UPA), Women’s and Gender Studies (WGST), Entrepreneurship (Business) (ENTR), Leadership, Foundations, and Human Resources (ELFH), Special Education, Kent School (KENT), Audiology (AUDI), Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (BIOC), Speech Language Pathology (NSSLHA), Music (MUS), Mechanical Engineering (ME)
  - Attendance approved unanimously

Announcements

- Applications to present an oral talk or poster at the GSC Research Conference are open. Deadline is Jan 19. Info/apply at [http://louisville.edu/graduate/gsc/research-conference](http://louisville.edu/graduate/gsc/research-conference).
- Free bowling for graduate students on Jan 19 from 9:00-11:00 pm at Executive Strike and Spare. Must show UofL student ID. Can bring non-UofL guests.

Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn approved unanimously