

**Graduate Student Union (GSU) Meeting**

**Meeting Minutes**

**August 28, 2013**

*Meeting began at 7:30 PM*

* Welcome by Dr. Pfeffer
* Information about the GSU
	+ RSO for graduate students in A&S
	+ Officially recognized by the Unvierstiy of Louisville
* Election for officers
	+ There was not enough returning members during the April meeting
	+ Bylaws allowed for September election
	+ Ballot described the position of the officers
	+ The officers should represent the various departments across the College of Arts & Sciences
* Officers for 2013-2014
	+ President – Megan Pavageau (mepava01@LOUISVILLE.EDU)
	+ Vice President – Emily Maiden (ekmaid01@LOUISVILLE.EDU)
	+ Secretary – Perry Factor (pifact01@LOUISVILLE.EDU)
	+ Information Officer - Tracy Eckersley (teecke01@LOUISVILLE.EDU)
	+ Divisional Representatives
		- Natural Sciences – Jamie Bougher (jlboug01@LOUISVILLE.EDU)
		- Social Sciences – Jessica Newton (jrnewt05@LOUISVILLE.EDU)
		- Humanities – Stephen Cohen (sfcohe01@LOUISVILLE.EDU)
* Approve reconstructed minutes of April 2013 meeting
* RSO Summit – Friday, September 20, 2013 @ 4:00 PM
	+ Volunteers for representatives – Megan Pavageau & Jessica Newton
* Future Meetings
	+ No conflicts with Graduate Student Counsel through December
	+ Meetings will be the 2nd Wednesday of every month (with the exception of December)
		- Social hour will begin at 7:30 PM
		- The meeting will follow the social hour at 8:30 PM
		- Dates: September 11th, October 9th, November 13th, December 4th
* Research funding committee
	+ Committee of 3 members to help distribute money
	+ Normally 60 to 80 applications
	+ $100 per project
	+ Funding can be used to support student research
	+ Committee Members
		- Social Sciences - Jessica Newton (jrnewt05@LOUISVILLE.EDU)
		- Humanities - Megan Pavageau (mepava01@LOUISVILLE.EDU)
		- Natural Sciences - Jamie Bougher (jlboug01@LOUISVILLE.EDU)
	+ Dates for Competition
		- Open Competition – September 13th
		- Close Competition – September 23rd
		- Web Application available from September 13th to the 23rd
		- Committee meets the week of September 23rd
	+ Applications will be accepted online or by hand
	+ Repeat applications will be allowed for Spring funding
* GSC funds availability
	+ Only for conference funding
* Admissions and Appeals Committee/Grievance Committee
	+ Committee members needed for A&S grievance committee
	+ Committee members will only be called when it is a graduate student grievance
	+ Committee members
		- Social Sciences - Emily Maiden (ekmaid01@LOUISVILLE.EDU)
		- Humanities – Lauren Copeland (lecope01@LOUISVILLE.EDU)
		- Natural Sciences – Heather Hunt (hbhunt01@LOUISVILLE.EDU)
	+ Future Events
		- CPC Deadline: September 10th
		- Grant committee for events
			* Jamie Bougher (jlboug01@LOUISVILLE.EDU)
			* Megan Pavageau (mepava01@LOUISVILLE.EDU)
			* Tracy Eckersley (teecke01@LOUISVILLE.EDU)
		- Bowling Event
			* Contact other A&S Department RSO to Cohost
		- Other recommendations
			* Bourbon Tasting (through Vernon Club)
			* Wine Tasting
			* Trivia night
				+ Trivia Committee - to look into possibilities and report at next meetings

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* + Other announcements
		- Tracy
			* OrgSync & Facebook Pages
				+ Representative should join the OrgSync and Facebook page so they can be made administrators
				+ Community group: A&S Graduate Student Union
			* Fine Arts
				+ Journal Publishing
				+ Outside papers are accepted
				+ Theme: Taking the S out of Craft
				+ Deadline is September 23rd
	+ Email being sent to department chairs
		- If your department is not present, they will not be eligible for funding from the GSU
		- If not eligible in Spring 2013, they will not be eligible in Fall 2013

*Meeting adjourned at 9:24 PM*