

# GSC October Representative Meeting

Minutes by Kyle Cook - Vice President

October  $4^{th}$  2023

# Attendance and Quorum

Attendance Taken and Quorum Achieved.

# President Updates - Allie Underwood

- Blackboard Updates and changes may be noticed.
- Registration notes:
  - 0282 Zero-cost materials/textbooks
  - 0283 Low-cost materials/textbooks (\$50 of less)
- New Military Connected Students Center (Brodschi Hall)
- Student Sustainability Coalition reformed.
- Requested opinions on SGA Smoking Resolution
  - Late Night smoking can result in safety issues if on campus residents need to move far away from dorms to smoke.
  - Smoking occurs already. Smoking areas may allow students a place instead of hiding in bathrooms or public areas.
  - Some areas on campus already even have ashtrays with no enforcement.

- Telling people not to smoke does not stop people from smoking.
- Spaces to dispose butts need to be provided.
- Even better is recycling for butts.
- Campus Sustainability Fair on October 25th. Location to be announced later.
- Trunk or Treat on Oct 22nd. Need RSO presence and support.

# Vice-President Updates - Kyle Cook

- Plans for a Constitutional Review. If you are interested in reviewing and offering input please let VP know.
- SGA Services VP notified on Music School crosswalks. Information has been forwarded to Administration.
- Please remember to send email template out within a week.

#### **Director of Outreach Updates - Scotland Stewart**

- Free Jimmy Johns next week at School of Public Health. Thursday.
- Halloween Party 2 weeks out. At Molly Malone's.
- Food provided. Drink vouchers provided (extra voucher for volunteers to set up)
- Drink vouchers are for UofL Graduate Students only.
- Event is focused for graduate students but undergrads can attend.

# Director of Professional Development Updates -Mojeed Odalele

- Dates and topics for Research Conference is set.
- March 27th (HSC Campus) and March 28th (Belknap Campus)
- Deciding on keynotes speakers (one speaker each day)
- Workshop topic set "Mental Health: Balancing workday life as a grad student".
- Discussion panel "Networking as essential to professionalism"
- Need more Research Conference Committee members. If you have the time and interest please reach out to Mojeed.

- Time for Research Conference Committee can be worked with to accommodate more members.
- Please share any ideas you would like to see in action at the Conference.
- Call for papers/posters will come later.
- Application window is not set yet but will be announced.
- Representative Miflah notes last year window was too close to conference and suggests more time this year. Very little notice between abstract/submission acceptance and the conference.

#### Director of Travel Updates - Branna Humphrey

- Travel Applications still open
- Presenter funds are on waitlist
- 3 spots left for \$200 grant.
- Please apply either way. Funds can open up for people on waitlist.
- Seconds need and value of serving on the Research Conference Committee.
- Waitlist resets in the Spring Semester.

#### Director of Finance Updates - Yuan Zhao

- Research Grants. One application submitted. Up to \$500 for research needs.
- Sample Support letters are available on GSC site. Sample application is coming
- RSO Grants are available for student organizations that primarily serve graduate students. (\$500)
- Research Grants are reviewed at the end of the submission period. Application window closes November 3rd.
- Research Grant Committee is larger than any others. If you are able please consider moving to another committee.
- Motion: Motion to Disclose GSC Budget.
  - GSC Constitution does not detail any information about what budgetary information is available.
  - Part of the reason for a Constitutional Review

- Motion Passes
- Budget discussed.
- Committees finalized today. Please talk to the President before you leave. Please consider the Research Conference Committee.

#### Announcements and Events

- Month of October: LGBT Center hosting UofL Pride Month. Events all month. Kick off is October 6<sup>th</sup> in the Red Barn. Noon-2pm.
- October 12<sup>th</sup>: Department of Physics and Astronomy Bullitt Lecture. 7pm at Rauch Planetarium.
- October 13<sup>th</sup>: Juried Exposition at the Cressman Center at 7pm. UofL Graduate Student and GSC Rep Annabela Cockrell will have a piece on display!
- October 17th<sup>th</sup>: Department of Biology will have their Annual Plant Sale!
- October 21<sup>st</sup>: Open Studio Louisville at the MFA Building (1616 Rowan Street). Open all day to all.