GAPSA General Assembly Meeting Agenda Tidewater Reynolds Board Room (2401)

October 9, 2018, 6:30 pm

- 1. Call to Order 6:38 pm
- 2. Roll Call

Office	Member	Present	Proxy
President	Nithya Kasireddy	х	
Exec VP	Davette Gadison	х	
Uptown VP	Eidan Shalom	x	
Downtown VP	Alyssa Fears	x	
Finance VP	Arianne Sacramento		
Communications VP	Lauren Swientoniewski	X	
Advisor	John Nonnamaker		
GSSA	Edward Sawyer	x	
	Zainab Lateefi	х	
	Hannah Aziz	x	
	Sabrina Kragness	x	
	Evan Wells	х	
Business	Liuning Yan	х	
	Caitlyn Mayhorn		
	Aakash Amin	х	
	Adam Skolnick		
PNBA non-voting	Maria Dietrich		
Law	Benjamin Russell	х	
	Andrew Thrasher		
	Christopher Williams - Lopez	х	
	Benjamin de Seingalt		

Medical	Carrie Crook		
	Peter Haskins	x	
	Adin Reisner	x	
	Tomi Akingbola	x	
Public Health	Lina Abdel-Mageed		
	Miia Newman		
	Annie (Rhae) Cisneros	х	
	William Castleberry		
Social Work	Amy O'Brien		
	Mark Rogers	х	
	Chloe Hill		
Biomedical	Joseph Hoffmann	x	
	Antoinette (Toni) Bell	x	
Architecture	Michelle Barrett		
Prof. Advancement	Maria Dietrich		
ISAB Liaison Non voting	Xinyue Gu	х	

3. GAPSA Division Reports

- a. School of Professional Advancement
- b. Graduate Business Council
- c. Graduate Studies Student Association
- d. Medical School Student Association
- e. Public Health & Tropical Medicine Student Government
- f. Student Bar Association (Law School)
- g. School of Social Work Student Government Association
- h. Biomedical Sciences Student Association
- i. School of Architecture

4. Executive Council Reports

a. President – Nithya Kasireddy

- i. Guests: Noel Wang and Olivia Mitchell
 Interested in graduate student feedback on Technology services at Tulane Want
 more information on what technology services graduate students already know
 so other resources can be offered. Doing a survey (Research Data Warehouse
 survey) hopefully will provide more information to create a portfolio database for
 more collaborations to happen.
- ii. Sharing information distributed through GAPSA listserv Make sure information is being shared in your division. If you are not getting emails, contact president or secretary of GAPSA. Also, make sure you go into OrgSync and 'accept' your invite to the listsery.
- iii. GAPSA Division reports We will start involving the presidents of each division with the agenda building before each meeting so they can share what is going on in their departments. We have not been active with divisional reports and we would like to start involving them again.
- iv. Executive in Residence Marianne Diorio Nov 7th and 8th Wants to do a Q/A. Leader in the corporate world. Want interest/number/time for potential meeting with her. Event could be put on Handshake. Her info will be shared on the listsery.
- b. Executive Vice President Davette Gadison
 - i. Fall Mixer
 - 1. Status of Sober Event Monitors for fall mixer 62 people volunteered we have enough for the event to occur
 - 2. Entertainment DJ Bryce (same as last spring and fall mixers). We need another band or DJ. Maybe ask in the music department for suggestions? Need someone by the end of this week. Email Davette any ideas. Brass band potentially?
 - 3. Drinks and Food Food provided. Drinks probably around \$2 each, maybe less. Cash or card, but minimum on cards. Parking lot free after 7 pm. Potential Uber/Lyft code for discount?
 - ii. Tailgate
 - 1.Need SEMs November 10th (Saturday). Email will be sent out asking for volunteers. Maybe 6?
 - iii. Feedback on SEM form (Meeting with Student Affairs coming up 10/17) Email Davette if you have any comments on the form/suggested improvements.
 - iv. Tulane Board Meeting in September Update
- 1.Tuition 2019-2020 Discussed campus safety more cameras added uptown. Installed more lights and signs on campus. They are making a new police station uptown across from the Boot. Should take about a year for it to be finished. Moving towards hiring more faculty. The Commons should be finished/opened this year. Said they would start focusing more on graduate students. Tuition is going to increase in the fall by 3.9%.
- c. Downtown Vice President Alyssa Fears

- i. IGDO Committee Meeting Update Alyssa updated the list of representatives (vice-presidents of each GAPSA division). No one has answered her emails. Events this semester are not expected. Any extra money would roll over to the next semester.
- d. Uptown Vice President Eidan Shalom
- i. Safety Committee meeting updates Safety Commissioner way for undergrad campus to connect with the police, having a fair October 24th uptown 11 am 2 pm. Fun Run Dec 2nd. A lot of events hosted by the Tulane police are unknown to us because they are only posted on their Facebook. Potential Coffee with a Cop downtown in the future?
- e. Finance Vice President Arianne Sacramento
- 5. Old Business
 - a. Graduate Meal plan
 - i. \$650/semester \$600 Wavebucks (tax free)
 - ii. Can add meal swipes for \$8
- iii. TU Go app now be used with Splash Cash (hence, no meal plan needed) Which means it is now available for graduate students. Works like a debit card. Willing to work with graduate students for suggestions for meal plans that are more accessible for graduate students. Suggestions Maybe less Wavebucks to buy-in?
- 6. New Business
 - a. Graduate Lounge/ dedicated space for graduate students on Uptown and Downtown Campuses Downtown needs more space. Murphy and JBJ has a lot of empty space. Uptown, there is space in the library but it is not enough.
 - b. Health Insurance situation for Graduate students
 - i. Solidarity Tulane's petition (SSE & SLA)
 - ii. Requesting OGPS to review the current (last reviewed in 2013) policy on graduate student health care subsidy List of 5 goals will get list if passed
 - iii. Is this applicable to students in other schools and what is the need?
 - iv. Should GAPSA formally support this? Bring to grad council? Each group should get information on what their program provides regarding health insurance so it can be brought up.

Hiring more counselors for CAPS on the downtown campus. Committee meeting downtown November 9th.

7. Adjournment 8:00 pm