

General Meeting Minutes

10/06/2015

Tuesday, October 6th, 2015 5:00 pm, O'Donnell Hall Room 111

- 1. Call to order
 - a. 5:08 pm
- 2. Secretary's Report
 - a. Minutes approved
- 3. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Balance at this point\$19,884.00
 - b. Mentioned a couple of names that he needed to speak with either in person or via e-mail
 - c. Proposed change to by-laws in how documentation should be presented to finance committee. Specifically that the individual who is making the request, print out all the documentation, as it is making it hard on the treasurer to print out the material himself.

4. VP of Activities' Report

a. Gradulicisous seems to have been well attended, but food ran out fairly quickly, by about 6:30 pm, which did cause an issue. People left as soon as the food ran out. Even though about 80 to 90 people showed up after the food ran out.

5. Graduate Senator's Report

- a. Keep State Great coming October the 17th great opportunity to fulfill the requirements for community service.
- b. Open Senator seat available for the rest of this Fall.
- c. Voting for senators next week.
- d. ASNMSU voting for capping spending will be next week.

6. Updates and Announcements

- a. By-law changes
 - i. The proposed change to Article IV Section 3 has been made "ASNMSU Graduate Senators may not serve as officers of the Council with the exception of the Treasurer's position, if no other non-ASNMSU senator wants to run for this position".
 - 1. 13 GSO's present.
 - 2. Motion killed due to the proposal being out of order.
- b. Open Graduate Senator Seat for the remainder of the Fall semester 2015.



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- Gaurav Thapa voted in as senator, filling the position of Raj. <u>Gthapa@nmsu.edu</u> is his contact e-mail.
- c. Keep State Great will take place on October 17th.
- d. Gradulicious approximately 200 people showed up
 - i. Will try to do something like a spring fling trying to get it through some other money such as

7. Open Forum

- a. John Dennem wants greater involvement by the graduate students in getting things done for the graduate students here on campus. Right now the lack of graduate involvement in what is occurring at the university. How do we bring in more involvement through the GSO's here at the university? Adam is hoping to have specific action items at the next meeting. If you speak up and there is retaliation against students, then you need to speak to Adam or to Dean Reyes about this.
- b. May want to think about becoming unionized. The information on pay-gap at the GSC website, to put us on par with our peer institutions would need require a general increase in pay by about approximately \$3,000.
- c. How can you get more graduate students aware of the GSC, and starting or getting into a GSO? How do we go about getting graduate students involved?
- d. If requesting funding, need to read the by-laws, and please everyone who is going to a conference or to present research all apply at the same time.

8. Adjournment

a. 5:56 pm