General Meeting Minutes Agenda

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Date: 03/28/2017 Location: HJLC 126

- 1. Secretary's Report
 - a. Minutes from last meeting read
- 2. ASNMSU VP Candidates
 - a. Emmerson Marrow
 - i. advocated for lottery scholarship
 - ii. student organization funding
 - iii. wants to promote increased collaboration (monthly meetings with different councils and aggie activities, reduce scheduling conflicts)
 - iv. proposes increased accountability
 - v. proposes increased communication for where our student fees are going (wants students to be able to view and comment on budget before they vote)
 - vi. Streamlined online bill service for funding
 - b. GSC endorsed Emmerson Marrow for VP of ASNMSU
- 3. VP of Activities' Report
 - a. GRAS is April 7th
 - i. got alcohol approved for GRAS reception, MUST REGISTER for reception now, registration will re-open
 - b. Graduate Student of the Month
 - i. Johanna Esquivel the March Graduate Student of the month, congratulations!
- 4. ASNMSU Presidential Candidates
 - a. Manuel O. (recent resigned A & S senator)
 - i. GSC autonomy (not part of ASNMSU, we would be appropriated different funding)
 - ii. International Student Health Care (25-30% of population)
 - iii. Transparency with the association and the board of regents (will come to more meetings and share more information)
 - b. Corey Stevens (business senator and exec director of the round up)
 - i. Improve Graduate Student Advising (some advising not coming from academic advisors, some students do not get advising they need, this is problematic)
 - ii. More global approach to ASNMSU (partner with administration, find common goals, and include graduate students on those goals)
 - c. Kevin P. (VP)
 - i. Fiscal responsibility
 - ii. increase transparency about what is happening with the budget
 - iii. open a forum about issues people have
 - iv. working on a reform of councils and bylaws
 - v. focus on diversity programs
 - d. Discussion:



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- i. Manny got more favorable opinions from the GSC meeting.
- 5. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Current budget: \$4,148
 - b. Question-what will happen with extra money? A-spend it on things for exec board such as polo shirts and professional binders
- 6. Graduate Senator's Report
 - a. Discussion of increasing tuition (Ethesham presented a graph), without the increase we would lose \sim 190 positions (positions earning an average of \$72k/year)
 - b. Resolution about international student health insurance
 - i. current policy forces international students to pay for global coverage insurance which is 2x as much as other available insurances
 - ii. De Alba presented on international health insurance: as much as \sim 75% of cost in the insurance can be reduced.
 - iii. this resolution is to push the comm
- 7. Nominations for GSC Executive positions
 - a. President: Tara Young
 - b. VP: Chad Martin
 - c. Secretary: Arryn Robbins
 - d. VP of Activities: Sarey Montoya
 - e. Treasurer: Swagotom Sarker
 - f. Webmaster: Juwaria Adil
- 8. Open Forum
 - a. Animal Science GSO got a few prizes from the conference competition.
 - b. ZM Saifullah is running for ASNMSU and is running for Senate.
 - c. Sayed & Jasper is running for ASNMSU and is running for Senate.