

Graduate Student Council

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 30, 2013

4:30 pm, Dona Ana Room

1. **Call to order / Welcome**
2. **Secretary's Report / Approval of Minutes**
3. **Treasurer's Report**
 - a. There is no more money. If you go to a conference during the summer, you can apply in the Fall semester retroactively. Future requests should be directed to the new treasurer (elected at this meeting).
4. **ASNMSU Graduate Senator's Report**
 - a. ASNMSU Senate had its last meeting of the year last Thursday. All travel requests on table were passed, except one proposed by Breeana Sylvas. The proposal was to use \$5,000 to have a coffee shop in the library. This may come up next semester.
 - b. If you are traveling over the summer, ASNMSU will reimburse you. It would be helpful to talk to a summer before and after you leave. Senators can then present the bill as soon as school starts.
 - i. Nitish Narula , Collin King, Tapaswy Muppaneni, and Angela Muhanga are ASNMSU senators that will be around during the summer. Jacob Deaven is no longer a senator.
5. **Grad School Update**
 - a. Sabrina – Next Monday is the last First Monday event, from 4:30pm – 7pm. It is an open event, so RSVP's are helpful, but not necessary. It will be at the Stan Fulton Center, third floor. Dean Lacey will be retiring this summer and will be there to interact with the students. Everyone is welcome to come.
6. **Guest Speakers – none**
7. **Graduate Education Committee**
 - a. NMSU President finalists forums: <http://www.nmsu.edu/pressesearch/finalists.html>
 - i. All of the forums are on the [web](#) for you to see
 - ii. The new student regent, Jordan Banegas, is a good contact to let him know your thoughts on the presidential finalists.
 - b. To provide feedback about the search for the next president of New Mexico State University, click here: regents@nmsu.edu
8. **Graduate Funding Survey Update**
 - a. Over 200 people took the survey, which is what we were aiming for. The results will be shared with everyone as soon as they are made available.
 - b. Questions from external review response have been used and asked at the student

forums for the Presidential finalists. There is one more forum this Thursday, May 2, at 8:15 am at the Corbett Center Senate Chambers. The candidate is Daniel J. Howard, Ph.D., Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and Professor of Integrative Biology, University of Colorado Denver.

9. Elections

- a. The position candidates were announced and voted in. The 2013-2014 Graduate Student Council Executive officers are:
 - i. President – Romina Pacheco from Curriculum and Instruction
 - ii. Vice President – Jessica Lail from Psychology
 - iii. Secretary – John Schutte from Chemical Engineering
 - iv. Treasurer – Jean McCeaver from Astronomy
 - v. Activities Director – Cecilia Palacio from Curriculum and Instruction
 - vi. Webmaster – Kyle Uckert from Astronomy
- b. The new GSC Advisor is

10. Announcements & Updates

11. Open Forum

12. Adjournment

