Graduate Student Council  
Meeting Minutes  

Tuesday, August 28, 2012  
4:30 pm, Otero Room  

1. Call to order / Welcome  

2. Secretary’s Report / Approval of Minutes  

3. Treasurer’s Report  
   a. GSC can help provide funding opportunities for research/conferences. There will be a more comprehensive presentation in the next meeting where there will be more information regarding funding. If you have a graduate student organization, you need to register with GSC. Last year there were 21 GSO’s; there was $21 thousand to disburse.  

4. Graduate Senator’s Report  
   a. Jacob Deaven: This year there will be around $200 thousand to distribute for the entire year. Last year there was over $700 thousand. ASNMSU funds 75% to people who wanted to go on community service trips. They are funded much higher than regular research trips. The reason why the funding amount went down so much is because in previous years we did not spend all the money. Money that is not spent rolls over to the next year. As far as what attendees thought about the percentage of money going to community service vs. research the majority agreed that it should not be at 75%. To avoid this problem in the future students can elect people who are willing to say no once in a while  

5. New Business  
   a. Motion to suspend Roberts Rules of Order until necessary  
      i. No one was opposed to do so.  
   
   b. Introduction to your new council  
   
   c. GSC executive appointments  
      i. After a vote, Rebecca D’Orazio and Denise Terrazas are now Vice President and Secretary of GSC, respectively.  
   
   d. ASNMSU senator appointments  
      i. Right now we have Jacob Deaven, Harvind Reddy, and Mohammad Atiqul Haque. The three new senators are now Nitish Marulo, Collin King, and Shanta Toutan.
e. **Finance Committee – call for volunteers**
   i. Need 9 executive council members. The Committee meets in off-weeks of GSC meetings. Anyone interested is to contact Nike Ule (nmule@nmsu.edu).

f. **Gradulicious – announcement and call for volunteers**
   i. Gradulicious will be September 27th (a Thursday). Right now we are looking for volunteer performers.

6. **Announcements**
   a. **Graduate School - Sabrina Zamora/ Dean Reyes**
      i. Dean Reyes is looking for participants to be on a taskforce with the graduate school to find out about their experiences with the research application process and school application process. The Graduate School is having new graduate student orientation for the first time. It will be on September 15th, a Saturday, 8:30 to 12pm, at Corbett Center auditorium. Trying to do it virtually. Announcements will be sent out through NMSU list serve.
      ii. Sabrina Zamora: The Graduate School will have First Mondays (first Monday of every month), starting October 1st to host receptions and offer space for students to socialize with one another. They will be in Corbett Center, 2nd floor. Also, on November 10th, there will be a tailgate for football game. The price is $10 and the country club will be catering.

b. **Financial procedures workshop for GSO Pres/treasurers**

c. **Reminder to recharter your organization**

d. **Next meeting will focus on funding opportunities**

7. **Open Forum**

8. **Adjournment**