

GARLS 2020-21

April 15th, 2021

1:00 pm

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MEETING AGENDA

- Presidential Address
- Social Update
- Symposium Update
- Treasurer Update
- GSA Update

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Meeting Called by: Michela Pirruccio

Facilitator: Michela Pirruccio

Note Taker: Alex Silver

Timekeeper: Alex Silver

Attendees: Michela Pirruccio, Can Ergen, Hannah Mueller, Jaylyn Leighton, Haley Baxter, Kevin Wilson, MK Stinson, Mawutor Agbo, Arefin Azam

Please Read: N/A

Please Bring: N/A

Meeting Call

By: Michela Pirruccio

At: 1:00 pm

Minutes

Agenda Item: Opening Presidential Address

Presenter: Michela Pirruccio

Summary:

- Social Media Update: Partnered with the social media team within the department. There has been a bi-weekly graduate feature. There is now a GARLS feature form that will help with consistency of features. Open nominations for GARLS features either self or another awesome person. The LinkedIn page is launched and has over 100 members. Discussion of a posting schedule within the LinkedIn page by GARLS members.
- Thank you to Can for an amazing lunch and learn. Future lunch and learns are a priority to help initiate conversations and connect.
- Comps are currently being discussed and are in on-going talks.
- Fall instruction is planned to be hybrid but it continually being discussed.

Person Responsible: N/A

Deadline: N/A

Agenda Item: Social Update

Presenter: Hannah Mueller

Summary:

- Continues to do the 5-5-5 birthday club and roughly 5 people show up.
- Adding a variety show to the GARLS symposium as a way to share people's talents and have more than just a social (suggested by Shawn Reis)
- Larger social media presence with TALS, is being discussed and may be on our radar for possible connections.

Conclusions:

- Open-Mic/Variety Show for the GARLS Symposium is something to continue to investigate. We want to support these ideas.
- Connecting with TALS is something to investigate further. And bring it to applicable parties.

Action Items:

- ✓ Connect with Darci about TALS social media connections.

Agenda Item: Symposium Update

Presenter: Jaylyn Leighton

Summary:

- We have a total of 8 student submissions.
- The keynote speaker will be the 4th block (as usual). And is funded through the Hallman fund.
- IT is organized and ready to go.
- We are looking to fill one last block and conversations are being had between Troy Glover and Richard Norman to create dialogue around leisure, the university, and race. Four students are part of the planning committee for this.
- Advertising will be going out soon.
- Movement breaks or activity breaks to help break up the day are being discussed with future details to come later.
- The focus is to keep it small and simple this year.

Conclusions:

- Planning committee is meeting in the coming weeks to finalize the planning of the last block.

Person Responsible: N/A

Deadline: N/A

Agenda Item: Treasurer Update

Presenter: Can Ergen

Summary:

- Health and wellbeing Committee: They have a fund (student led initiative) and the system changed based on success rather than size. The fund can go towards events or speakers ranging from physical health to mental health based on the committee's objectives. A call for other initiatives.
- Future initiatives: There is going to be a once a month chance to express yourself and be creative based on a prompt more details to come
- Finances: We have decided not to collect fees the last two semester. However, due to the amazing past treasurer we have money to keep doing awesome stuff.

Conclusions:

Action Items:

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Person Responsible: N/A

Deadline: N/A

Agenda Item: GSA Update

Presenter: MK Stinson

Summary:

- Open Forums have been held. Overwhelming these forums have focused on funding and living. There has been discussions around funding's role in mental health.
- There is a disconnect between council and executives based on what funding is deserved/expected.
- There is an on-going need for new information from Grads.
- What is the best way to distribute and get information as there is a need to represent RLS as a whole?
- Updating Policy 30 currently within the GSA.
- A vote to endorse OrganizeUW and their unionization efforts of Tas, Ras, and Sessionals.

Vote:

- To endorse OrganizeUW publicly and their unionization efforts of TAs, RAs, and Sessionals:
 - Yes: 8
 - No: 1
 - Abstain: 1

Conclusions:

- Moving towards monthly emails as updates for GSA.
- Move forward with endorsing the OrganizeUW and look into a Statement of Unionization on the GARLS website.

End of Meeting By: Michela Pirruccio At: 1:50 pm

Other Information

Resources:

Special Notes: