

## Graduate Student Association Meeting Minutes

Date: February 22, 2016

Time: 5:30 pm

Location: Sadler Center

Presiding Officer: Adrienna Bingham, President

1. Welcome
2. A&S Funding Process Approval
  - a. The assembled reviewed the proposed amendment to the GSA constitution and agreed on the established \$500 minimum. A motion was passed regarding the funding process, so the first few applications will be processed soon.
3. Student Assembly Update
  - a. Mitch gave a brief update regarding SA. Voting for SA begins soon, so please take the time to consider platforms and vote. Resolutions were passed regarding making the campus a sanctuary campus and new initiatives on sexual assault.
4. Professors' Roundtable
  - a. We looked over topic ideas, which include: Dakota Access Pipeline - Environment and Social Impact, Affordable Care Act - Repeal Consequences, Women's/Gender Equality - Women's March, Role of Media in Shaping History – Alternative Facts, and Skepticism towards Experts, and Threat to Higher Education from its Corporatization. We will narrow down the choices and vote on them soon, so we can start emailing professors.
5. Volleyball Cookout Committee
  - a. This event consists of volleyball, pizza, and fruits/veggies and usually occurs on One Tribe, One Day. This year, it is occurring on Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. It will happen the day before the next meeting, so volunteers are needed to form the committee. A sign-up sheet for the committee was passed around.
6. Graduate Research Symposium
  - a. A sign-up to proctor sessions for GRS was passed around.
7. Spring GSA Elections
  - a. GSA elections are coming up, so start recruiting! If you are interested in one of the positions, please talk to the current officers.
8. Upcoming Events

- a. Grad Council Basketball Event – free drinks and basketball. It will be held at William and Mary Hall on Saturday, Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. on the stage and in the Wrightman Cup Room. The first 200 people there get a t-shirt.
  - b. MMRP (A Memory, a Monologue, a Rant, and a Prayer – this event occurs the same evening, Saturday, Feb 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at the Commonwealth Auditorium. The tickets are \$5 (presale) and can be found at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/william-mary-a-memory-a-monologue-a-rant-and-a-prayer-tickets-28320509406?aff=GradCouncil>. We are trying to fill the auditorium, so if you can go, please go. It benefits Avalon, a local domestic violence shelter.
  - c. Night at Muscarelle – it is occurring Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. The tickets will be about \$10.
9. Journal Club Updates
- a. Zarah gave an update. There are only two open dates, March 30<sup>th</sup>, and April 27<sup>th</sup>, so if anyone wants to present, please let her know.
10. 3MT
- a. Mallory had no updates.
11. GSAB
- a. Mallory gave an update regarding GSAB. Several members will visit GRS, so she will give another update after GRS.
12. Adjourned at 6:15 p.m.