Graduate Student Association Meeting Agenda
Date: January 28, 2020
Time: 5:15 - 6:15 p.m.
Location: McGlothlin Street Hall, Room 020
Presiding Officer: Nick Belluzzo (president)

I. Welcome & Introductions
   A. Began meeting at 5:22 pm
   B. 14 people present
      1. Officers: all present
      2. Department representatives:
         a) Applied Science & American Studies reps absent
         b) All other reps present

II. Officer Reports
   A. President (Nick)
   B. Vice President (Richard)
   C. Treasurer (Casey)
      1. Department Funds -- Must be spent before May 1st
         a) Spring 2020 Budget review
            (1) OGSR may not cover next GSA summit, so should put aside $500 for this if we want to send someone
            (a) Worth it because it helps guide improvements to future GSA happenings (at least once per year)
            (b) Need to find out the details, such as when (year), location, etc.
            (2) Public Policy considering giving up department funds -- they will decide by next meeting
   D. Senate Representative (Holly)
      1. Senate meeting soon
      2. February is grad student awareness month in Student Senate
         a) Senate will convene at different schools (Business, Law, etc.) in hope to get more grad student presence
         b) Student Assembly would like to send someone to sit in on February meeting
   E. Social Chair (Tomos)
      1. Bagel & Coffee Event
         a) Dates tentative (9:30am - 12:30am in Grad Commons)
            (1) February 12th
            (2) March 18th
            (3) April 15th
         b) Maybe move one to a different day of the week
            (1) Most of Physics can't do Wednesdays
2. 1st Spring 2020 social will be this Friday, January 31st at 6pm
   a) Location TBD

F. Parliamentarian (Ryan)
1. Grad Council hosting 2 events this semester
   a) Grad bash (late March or early April)
   b) Grad Student Bell Ringing (Last Friday of classes)
      (1) Ceremony/tradition to celebrate graduation
      (2) Hoping to find more funding for this

G. Secretary (Jessica)
1. Meeting dates for February, March and April (and May??)
   a) Tuesdays 5:15-6:15pm (1hr)
      (1) February 18 (will be missing Nick & Ryan)
      (2) March 24
      (3) April 14
      (4) April 28
   b) Need to schedule election to be completed by one of the April meetings

2. STLI Graduate Survey coming out in February. Please respond to this
   because it will help STLI provide grad-focused resources and events.

III. GSAB Report (Casey & Tomos)
A. Graduate Research Symposium (GRS) is March 20-21st
B. GSAB will be meeting March 21-22
1. Please consider items to be brought to this meeting

IV. Old Business
A. Grad Faculty Mentoring Awards
   1. Polls close Friday
   2. Only one nomination in so far
   3. In February meeting we will review nominations and provide our thoughts
      towards final choices

V. New Business
A. Graduate Field Day (Nico Balbontin)
   1. Similar suggestion: Grad school Olympics (Tony Person)
   2. Considering hosting a fun games day on April 4th in the Sunken Gardens
   3. Will discuss more at next meeting once details are provided
B. Conference Travel Awards
   1. Nick (with help of OGSR) is writing guidelines for ranking system; this will
      be added to the list of documents for future GSA committees

VI. Open Floor
A. Question from reps: Student pedestrian got hit by a bike -- What is being done about this?
   1. Student Assembly is working on improving transportation safety
   2. Holly will find the details of names/committees and share it with GSA

VII. Meeting adjourned at 6:08pm