Minutes by: Christina Fermin

Roll Call:

Christina, Rosana, Faith, Anthony, Usar, Tasha, Juan, Rachel, Karen

Open Forum:

Juan & Rachel approved communication via email/phone call. Council approved to respond within a week’s time.

Rosana on the behalf of College of Engineering- International students are denied to work internships, OPT and CPT. College of Engineering has only policy which differs from University, this is causing much strife as well as missing opportunities for the international students in the College of Engineering. Karen suggested going to the Graduate College for this matter, Tasha to talk to Dean about this issue.

Old Business:

Art of Academia: Began a few weeks ago, to end in November; have received 2 submissions so far, 1. Photograph, 2. Complex picture of brain systems. Event is open to all.

Medical Student Exploratory Committee: Want separate student governmet; GSA wants to invite those students in, but students are refusing to talk with GSA. The students have been advised by administration to not talk with GSA members. Tasha has looked at other universities to see how to incorporate the Medical students; college in N. Carolina is the only college that has a separate GSA type medical organization.

Committees: Mission statement for all committees

Travel: Anthony, Rachel

Owl Awards: Faith, Anthony
Marketing: Anthony, Usar

Bylaws: Tasha

Research Day: Rachel, everyone

GSA Promos:

5 items (pens, folders, beads, cups and key chains?). Ad at the Football stadium. Chartwell’s and Bru’s Room to cater @ football stadium. Do not know where tailgating is to take place yet.

Budget Reports:

Directors and Associate director need expenses and current budget for future meetings.

UGPC:

Reviews to program from new programs to new courses as well as revisions for programs and courses. Committee has representatives from all colleges, including GSA. Need rep from Masters program.

Campus Reports:

Broward: Dining Etiquette Luncheon 9/30 @ 12-2pm; Couponing 10/8 @ 11am-2pm; Diwali Celebrations 10/24 @ 7-9pm

Boca: Blue Martini mixer (success); Graduate info panel TBA; Owl Awards 10/18?

N. Campus: Beach Cleanup; Mentoring Meeting Sept 23, (N. Campus big event)

College Reports:

Arts & Letters: Recent artwork by Faculty, 9/16 @ 6-9pm taking place @ Schmidt and Ritter art galleries; Free Concert by U.S. Marine Band 10/13 @ 7pm, Free up to 4 tickets, send self addressed stamp to address @ FAU Band website.

Business & Education: N/A-online applications pending

College of Engineering: Workshops for thesis/dissertation; graduate students request money for extra activities, such as conferences. This request is already pending; not enough courses or choices available for students, meeting taking place next week for solution.
Nursing: Orientation for PhD students (33 total), suggested doing a webinar or podcast for those who cannot make it. Extended this idea for all graduate colleges; approved grant to do emerging leader master’s program for HERSA.

College of Science: Seminars to be released, frontiers in science.

Meeting adjourned: 11:32 am