



2015 Graduate Student Council Meeting

Minutes

Details:

Date: February 18th 2015
Time: 12:00 P.M. – 1:00
Location: 8th floor Board room -Dean B. Ellis Library
Arkansas State University, Jonesboro
Secretary: Justin Carothers

Minutes:

I. Call to Order

- President Elizabeth Swagerty called the meeting to order

II. Old Business

- The board approved the January 21st Meeting Minutes
Elizabeth Asked Leslie Malland for an update on what has been done in preparation for the GSC Banquet
- Edna was not present during the meeting so we could properly discuss banquet Planning

III. Reports

- **President:** No report
- **Vice President:** No Report
- **Treasurer:** Juanjuan told the board that the budget had come in and we would have \$1500 for the banquet.
- Leslie Malland asked whether or not we were still accepting travel fund applications. She stated that some people still had pending applications.
- Seth noted that we are still accepting applications.
- **Secretary:** No report

IV. Committee Reports

- Leslie noted that Radical Rights will be having a speaker on the Thursday Friday and Saturday of semester exams. Her name is Jennifer Faith Morlan. There will be snacks as well as presentations.

V. Open Floor

- JuanJuan asked the board whether they still intended to participate in a monthly activity.
- Seth then reminded the board that we had talked about a potluck during our previous meeting. He also suggested that we might purchase an XO food in order to satisfy their contract while we bring food from home.
- Elizabeth mentioned to the board that we want to ensure that our activity is not become too costly in order to ensure that we stay within budget.

VI. New Business

SGOC Proposal

- Elizabeth informed the board that she attended and SGOC meeting with a discussed getting a GSC vote for **14SA03**.
- The board then took the opportunity to read over the proposal.
- Leslie voiced concerns about the wording because it does not incorporate protections for the LG BT community. Further, she asked Elizabeth if she could inform SGOC about her concern.
- The board voted on **14SA03** vote count: (6 yes vs. 0 no) **Approved**

Banquet Award Criteria

- Elizabeth referred the board for the spring banquet award criteria and the board to share their thoughts.
- Rachel asked if we could omit the word “assistant” in the *GA Research Award*.
- Dalia suggested that we make it clear who may nominate individuals certain awards.
- Seth discussed making multiple changes to the *GA Research Award*. He suggested that he rewrite it slightly.
- Rachel also suggested that we add another award for “Mentoring” that may be nominated by undergraduates.
- Seth mentioned that we could work something up and vote on it at the next meeting.
- Dalia discussed giving a small award of money with each award that might be deposited student accounts.
- Leslie inquired whether previous winners could win again.