GSAC – Graduate Student Advisory Council January 21, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. Sunflower Room – Overman Student Center

Minutes

Attendance: Jaime Vanderbeck, Phillip Kurtz, Dusty Peterson, Gena Coomes, and Allison Keegan

- Welcome/Introductions were made.
- Graduate Student Funding Applications
 - Phillip mentioned that he could not locate the Conference Attendance forms on the website.
 - Suggestions:
 - Limit the amount of links on the website.
 - Present the forms more obviously on the website.
- Spring 2009 Project Create resource information for graduates and graduate student faculty advisors. Projected goal to complete task: Fall 2009.
 - o Ideas:
 - Create a *poster* with a holder to insert our *flyers* and provide each department with enough flyers to restock independently.
 - Magnet with our information to be distributed with admission letters.
 - Cost for magnets?
 - Develop the GSAC site to include all the resources available to graduate students.
 - Divide the site into 3 categories (tentatively):
 - Steps required to attain degree
 - Candidacy Process, Thesis/Research Information, Grad Finale Information, etc.
 - Pertinent resources available for graduate students
 - Funding/Financial Aid, Graduate Assistantships,
 Employment/Internship opportunities, Health Care, etc.
 - Additional useful resources
 - Recreation center, Facebook account, Discounts/free tickets with student ID card, etc.
- New Business/For the Good of the Order
 - o Consider office of President to replace Kristen Livingston, whom graduated in December.

- Duties to complete for next meeting:
 - o Be mindful of creative ideas in order to present the GSAC information on posters/flyers.
 - Jaime will begin working on the content for our resources, and we will begin to establish concrete materials in the next meeting.
 - o Possibly set up subcommittees to complete our project.
- Adjournment at 3:50 pm.
- Next meeting has not yet been established.
- Good luck in beginning this new semester!

Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, and working together is success.

- Henry Ford