

Graduate Student Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

January 25, 2024

Kansas 1 (OSC) and Zoom

1. Call to Order: Neal began the meeting at 3:30 pm

- Vote to accept December meeting minutes: unanimously approved.
- Introductions of those present

2. University Committee Reports:

- Academic Honesty Committee
 - No Report
- OSC Board of Governors
 - No Report

3. GSAC (Graduate Student Advisory Council) Committees

- Communication and Outreach Committee
 - No Report
- Events Committee
 - No Report

4. Reports from Programs

- No Report

5. Old Business

- SGA attended to discuss a potential collaboration between the two committees.
 - a. Jen and Neal met in an executive meeting to discuss
 - b. Jaben and Neal met to further discuss collaboration.
 - c. SGA wants a way to support GSAC and have members that are supported through our organization. One possible solution is to include two representatives from SGA added to GSAC. These representatives would be selected in the same way university departments add representatives. These representatives would act as a liaison between SGA and GSAC.
- Email Transfers After Graduation
 - a. Lisa reached out to Gorilla Geeks and was put in contact with Angela Neria, Associate VP of Technology. Due to the contract with Microsoft, there is no option for students to maintain their PSU email. 6 months after graduation students will lose access to their email. Students receive a notification of their email use ending prior to losing access.

6. New Business

- Further discussing SGA collaborations
 - a. Neal discussed a meeting with Jaben to address the SGA reps.
 - b. Questions of how we can address the SGA reps as members of executive committee, specifying collaboration, and how will we amend the constitution for the collaboration for SGA arise.
 - c. Neal suggests the executive committee or form an ad hoc committee to decide on amending the constitution.
 - d. GSAC would like more people in attendance for a vote and Meagan suggested we wait until the next meeting.
 - e. Lisa suggests that we not treat them as a department but allow them to attend.
 - f. It is suggested we clarify by-laws and how each group is identified as individual.
 - g. Dawson added that members of SGA could provide a more holistic viewpoint for student concerns. Dawson also pointed out that utilizing Article 111 Section 1.2 should be enough to include some SGA members.
 - h. Joseph agreed with Dawson and added that SGA is more involved with students.
 - i. Jen suggested that we might send out the list of dates for the rest of the meetings for this semester to remind other members and ask for their contribution.
 - j. Everyone agrees that the executive committee can develop a communication that includes the remaining dates for meetings and address the involvement of each voice.

7. Important Date

- January 29: Final day for dropping courses without a transcript notation
- February 14: Next meeting (Kansas 1)
- February 20: Last day for one-half refund of tuition and fees

8. For the Good of the Order

- No response

9. Adjournment

- Joseph concluded the meeting at 4:54
- Megan made the motion to conclude

- Madie seconded.