

Graduate Student Advisory Council Minutes
November 2, 2022
Balkans Room and Zoom

1. Welcome- There were a total of 14 members in attendance (8 in-person, 7 via zoom).

2. The September 28, 2022 meeting minutes were emailed to the council on November 1, 2022 for review. The minutes were approved with no corrections.

3. Officer Elections:

- Lisa Allen received notification that the following were interested in an officer position prior to the meeting: President: Lukas Amershek and Megan Peters, Vice President: Rylee Dennis, Leadership position: Sarah Clausen and Catherine Miller. At the meeting members had the opportunity to volunteer or nominate others for an officer position. Catherine Miller and Trey Meyers volunteered for the Secretary/Treasurer position. All volunteers shared a brief background about themselves and why they were interested in the position with the council.
- The council voted for each position and the following officers were elected and approved:
 - President- Megan Peters
 - Vice-President- Rylee Dennis
 - Secretary/Treasurer- Catherine Miller

4. University Committee Reports:

Lisa Allen received a request to have a GSAC member for Board of Governors- Lukas Amershek volunteered to serve.

- Library Services Committee- Catherine Miller- Committee has not met, no report.
- Academic Honesty Committee- Chih-Chieh Chang- Committee has not met, no report.
- Information Technology Council (ITC)- Zeshan Shah- Committee has not met, no report.

5. Reports from Programs- No reports

6. Old Business- Lisa Allen shared that Dr. Howard Smith will be invited to attend one of the meetings this spring, he is not available to attend the November 30th meeting.

7. New Business:

- Graduate Conference Support- Lisa Allen shared that thesis and conference funding is available to graduate students through the colleges. To request funding please contact faculty in your departments or the College Dean offices.
- December Meeting- Lisa Allen asked the council if they would like to have a meeting in December. The meeting would most likely have to be held during finals week or the week before since the next meeting is scheduled for November 30th. The council agreed to not have a December meeting.

- Spring Meetings-Lisa Allen shared that the spring meetings would begin in January. She would like to have all spring meetings scheduled at the start of the spring semester.
- Lisa Allen discussed hosting an event for graduate students next semester. A proposed budget would need to be submitted to the Provost, Dr. Howard Smith for funding events.

8. The following important dates were shared:

- November 6, 2022- Early Enrollment
- November 7, 2022- Last day to drop a single course
- December 16, 2022- Last day of the fall semester, Commencement
- January 17, 2023 Spring semester begins

9. For the Good of the Order:

- There was discussion about if there is a “Roadmap” for graduate students similar to what undergraduates have for their degree plan. Lisa Allen shared that graduate students have a candidacy plan that is completed with their advisor in the Graduate System that will provide the requirements for their degree.
- There was discussion on if freshman still receive information on how to use canvas in Gorilla Gateway. Some GTA’s are noticing that some new students seem to be having trouble navigating the canvas system. Lisa Allen will reach out to Student Success to see if students are receiving any information about canvas in their Gorilla Gateway course.

10. The meeting adjourned.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, November 30, 2022