

GSUX MINUTES: APRIL 19, 1989

Facilitator: Alan

In Attendance: Sarah, Tom, Christian, Graham, Anne, Simone

0.25 Unionisation: (Anne) The American Association of University Professionals has recently formed chapters at Rutgers and at Pittsburgh (for part-timers and Faculty adjuncts). Perhaps we could consider this option. (Contact person is Mark Bloom 1-800-424-2973.) There may be a problem because PU is a private university: in this case, Faculty adjuncts are considered to be managerial .. Also, it would be a long, slow process.

0.33 Symposium: (Anne) There is a forth-coming symposium on the plight of Hungarian refugees in Transylvania to which we may wish to give our support. (We will discuss this later.)

0.50 Day Of Dialogue: (Sarah) The list of forums scheduled for Day-D contains nothing explicitly aimed at Grad. students. So, once again, we have slipped through the cracks. (This is partly our fault, if we want to be involved -- but there is some feeling that the whole thing is too rushed, and too wasteful of energy. And why did it have to be called a "boycott"?)

0.75 Party: (Sarah) We are aiming for the Third World Centre, on Saturday, May 13. (We are budgetting on 250 people at \$2 each.) Lots of good ideas are floating around. (E.g: the Party Van, free adverts on WPRB, big posters, etc.)

0.90 Telephone Book: (Simone) It was suggested that we should contact Housing (Maryanne Grundy) to discuss plans for a better (quicker, more accurate) graduate phone directory. We will look into this.

1.00 Academic Issue: (Simone) What can (and ought) we do to help Grad. students who get into academic problems (with advisors, etc.)? (There is a particular case going on now -- but the details can't be included in these minutes.) It was agreed that we should think about this later.

1.50 Office Space: (Graham) We got a reply from Dean Lowe: No dice (no office, either). Further discussion with Dean Montero and Dean Lowe is clearly in order. (Who allocates space on campus?)

- 1.75 ABD Survey: (Graham) The list of ABD students is still incomplete. Maybe next week ...
- 2.00 Elections: (Tom) Everything is going well.
- 2.50 TA Surveys: (Tom) They're out.
- 3.00 First Assembly Meeting: (Omni) Matt has this well in hand. (We have a venue and date: May 10, 7:30 p.m., Architecture.)
- 3.50 Childcare: (Tom) Gail Lyons, on behalf of the University League Nursery School, approached us to see if we would support ULNS's application for a grant of \$3,000, from Dean Lowe's office, for "scholarships". We agreed to ask Gaetano to write a letter to Dean Lowe, expressing our support.
- 4.00 Communiversity: (Omni) GSUX contribution to C-Day has been scratched.  
We need more people!!
- 5.00 Photocopy: (Christian) We have a new 1,000-copy copycard. (The Committee retrospectively approved this act of reckless extravagance.)
- 6.00 Meeting With Joy: (Christian) This meeting, on behalf of/with other members of SHAB, involved a discussion of concerns about counselling. (One interesting question focusses on Grad. student drop out rates. Another important issue is the question of insurance for unenrolled students.)
- 7.00 Counselling: (Christian) Marv Geller met with Christian, Amy, Emily, and the rest of SHAB. Changes have already been instituted, on a trial basis. (Group sessions, outreach, limited sessions, etc.) There is a problem with insurance: Tom Wright is wildly optimistic about the prospects for his proposal (or so it seems). There is another meeting next Monday -- and GWA is writing a letter ...
- 8.00 AIDS Benefit: (Christian) We decided - by a unanimous vote - to to give \$25 (via Dean Montero's office). (CIGS has donated \$100.)
- 9.00 Jean: (Should this be in the minutes?) Jean has decided to withdraw from both GSUX and CPUC. She advises us to try to get CPUC Grad. members to come to GSU Assembly meetings. We wish her well for the future ..

10.00 Office Hour: (Omni) We planned our strategy for Monday: Give 'em hell ...

Enough. More than enough. See y'all next time.

Graham Oppy