

GSG minutes  
August 22, 2001

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:05.

II. Officer Reports

A. Social Chair

Lauren Hale reported on behalf of Yesim Tozan. This year's First Chance Dance equivalent can be in Frist Campus Center on September 14. Dean Montero suggested postponing the dance to a later date. Last year, the dance was held on September 28, which is unavailable this year.

Also, the D-bar is planning a party for September 21, and September is generally full of orientation activities. Lauren motioned to postpone the dance until December. Discussion followed and the assembly agreed that it would be best to postpone the dance until later in the fall.

B. Treasurer

Ori Heffetz reported that \$900 will remain in the GSG budget after the GSG pays its debt to the House Committee, and without including last year's surplus. The Assembly voted to provide \$50 for ECOP for a speaker and film showing. Elliot Ratzman requested funding for the Democratic Left to provide publicity and transportation to an event in New York. The funding will be for a training session for non-violent protests against globalization. After much discussion, the Assembly voted to provide \$160.

III. Business

A. Committee Reports

1. Parking and Transportation

Cindy Tobery reported that parking spaces have been marked on Fitz-Randolph. Members of the Assembly disputed this. The parking fee for the GC will remain through the current academic year, but will be removed the following year. Matt asked for volunteers to serve on the Administrative Process Team. Eric Adelizzi volunteered.

2. Post-enrollment

Dean Wilson responded to the post-enrollment problem in a letter

to the GSG Exec a few months ago. Adrian Banner suggested posting the letter on the web. Lauren and Matt will ask Dean Wilson for permission. Lauren suggested making a facebook for post-enrolled students.

### 3. Departmental Survey

Lauren reported that there were 500 respondents to the survey.

The next step is data entry. Lauren and Donnell will meet to continue working on the survey.

### B. U-Store Board Appointments

This year, the GSG is nominating members to the U-Store Board of Trustees for the first time. In previous years, members were appointed by Dean Montero. In following years, graduate student members will be elected by the graduate student body. Jason Brownlee, an outgoing U-Store trustee, described the position and responded to questions. Donnell voiced his concern that members might not take the position seriously. Elliot suggested sending a global email explaining the position. Lauren asked Jason to draft the email message.

### C. McGraw Center Representative Election

Cindy explained the position, which includes serving on committees of the McGraw Center. The McGraw Center runs English language programs, AI training, and other programs. Adrian commented that the McGraw Center has favored the Humanities, and that everyone on the staff is a woman. Discussion followed. A proposal was made to solicit statements and vote over email.

### D. Student Activities Fair

Clubs Night will be held at the GC on September 12 at 8:00 p.m.

## IV. New Business

Elliott reported on his progress with the carrel office in Firestone Library. He has spoken with someone from the Access office about concerns of graduate students regarding carrels and distribution of space.

It was suggested that thesis binding and graduation costs total approximately \$500 to \$600. Thesis binding costs \$40-\$50, and each student needs several bound copies. Matt agreed to do some background research on graduation costs so that the assembly could consider a proposal to ask the Graduate School to cover these expenses at a later date.

Adrian reported that Steve Miller has resigned from his position

as math department representative. Adrian proposed that he could be the acting representative until the fall, when the department can hold an election.

Sinead stated that Masters students are ineligible for the \$400 grad student computer discount. Donnell stated that students are not eligible for the discount after the first year.

Lisa Sherov, the new Residence Life Coordinator at the GC, asked whether the GSG would be co-sponsoring the barbecue in September. The GSG does plan to do so.

The next meetings will be scheduled for the following dates:

September 12

October 10

November 14

December 12

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.