

GSU Assembly Meeting Minutes

June 24, 1998

Meeting called to order at 7:11 by presiding officer, Scott Harper.
Present: 14 reps.

Item 1: Scott Harper called for reports on developments since the last meeting.

- Scott met with the APGA board and told them about what the GSU has done this past year. The APGA is planning a big centennial event for the Graduate School's 100th anniversary in 2000-2001.
- Scott reported that the Furniture Drive was a success. Special thanks to Don Priour and Dave Baker who volunteered.
- Kyle Morrison reported about the Telephone Directory. (The problem is that off-campus graduate students are often not included or their information is updated with difficulty.) The plan is to make it possible to update online.
- The GC has weekly BBQs and milkshakes all summer
- Karen Gordon, Director of Health Education at McCosh Health Center visited the meeting to let us know about Health Center activities. She wanted to have a Q&A regarding the health plan that is up on the Web, and would also like to put together a plan for education programs regarding repetitive strain injury. She also mentioned that construction in front of McCosh is still going on and so regular access from the normal entrance is not possible. The side entrance is now the main entrance. Visitors still need to get a pass to park. The Center is open until 4:30pm, after that hour, patients must call Proctors to be let in. She urged that students look at the Q&A on the Web, and get information there about coverage in 5th year status.

Item 2: Report from the Treasurer:

A funding request was submitted for the 2nd Annual Beach Ball to be held at the Graduate College on Saturday at 9pm in the NGC Common Room in sponsorship by the GC House Committee and Tracey Holloway and Stephanie Harves. The request was for \$150. Treasurer John Stewart informed the reps that the GSU had \$8140 income for the year \$1600 of which was still available (\$2400 according to University records.) \$500 will likely go towards a summer GC BBQ, but the rest has not been allocated. The full \$150 was granted for the Beach Ball activity.

Item 3: Plans for the Fall:

- Discussion of welcoming paraphernalia: possibility of stressballs, but perhaps too expensive. Other suggestions included: wristpad for typing, refrigerator magnets with information about Housing and Maintenance since those two offices often lead to confusion. The possibility of conference travel funding was also suggested.
- Publicity for the GSU should be made at Registration in September.
- September 12, 5:30pm is the date and time of the Welcome BBQ.
- Eszter suggested that we give Karen a going away present, others were in support of this suggestion. \$50 were allocated for this purpose, people should come up with specific ideas by the next meeting.

Item 4: Brief discussion of situation at CCNY

The CCNY administration has been accused of performing secret political surveillance on its graduate student organization on the CCNY campus. Basically, the CCNY administrators are accused of secretly videotaping the meeting of the Graduate Student Council (the equivalent of the GSU for the City College of NY), in order to find out if they were going to strike. When the GSC filed suit against the administration, the GSC officers were locked out of their offices, and the GSC elections were nullified.

No course of action was decided upon at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 7:51

Respectfully submitted,

Eszter Hargittai

Press Secretary (sitting in for Roberto Lint-Sagarena, Recording Secretary)