March 14th, 2012
Assembly Meeting
Jadwin Hall
6:00-7:00pm

Quorum was met.
Meeting called to order at 6:06pm.

I. Minutes
Tim moved to accept the February minutes. Bart seconded. Passed unanimously.

II. Reports
A. President's Report
   1. As part of the APGA, awarded a medal to Lisa Jackson. During the APGA board meeting travel grants were discussed.
   2. On 2/29/12 Dean Russell spoke with the Executive Committee. The moratorium on external dissertation access was a topic of discussion.
   3. On 3/8/12 Kim Jackson spoke with the Executive Committee. She plans to add graduate student parking next year.

B. Academic Affairs Chair's Report
DataSpace is a program available for non-copyrighted work that provides Open Access for dissertations. This causes issues for graduate students wishing to publish their dissertations as books. The Graduate School currently will only allow a 3 month delay but only if you have book publication agreements. This policy will change so that graduate students may voluntarily request delay of external access for up to three years. Assembly further discussed this issue.

C. Social Chair's Report
Reported on Battle of the Bands. Main issue was that too many bands wanted to play. May start earlier since people did not stay late. Reviewed year of events.

V. Health and Life Chair's Report
Had a student report of child immunizations not being covered but has not heard of other similar situations.

D. Secretary's Report
Reported on Graduate Writing Days. It is again successful.

E. Vice President’s Report

Worked with Kim Jackson to add a third weekend of the month to the Saturday Shopper whose destinations are on Rout 1 (the more popular destination) by reducing the Saturday Shopper whose destination is the Princeton Shopping Center on Harrison.

III. Election

A. Report by the 2012 Elections Committee Chair

There was a very low turn out compared to prior years likely due to the Chair not sending a reminder email. A reminder was not specifically mentioned in the election plan and quorum was met. For these reasons the Election Committee concluded that the results were not voidable.

B. Assembly voted to confirm the officer candidates by anonymously casting written ballots. 10 confirmed, 2 opposed. Vote passed.

C. Committee Chair Nominations

1. Health & Life Chair

The current Health & Life Chair provided a history and the responsibilities of the position.

   a. Nominations

      1. Andreana Kenrick
      2. Kristin Bietsch

   b. The nominees gave statements.

   c. Voting

      Assembly voted by casting anonymous written ballots.

      Results: 6 voted for Andreana Kenrick, 5 voted for Kristin Bietsch, 1 abstained. Andreanna Kenrick confirmed as the new Chair.

2. Academic Affairs Chair

The current Academic Affairs Chair provided a history and the responsibilities of the position.

   a. nominations

Katie Hansen ran unopposed.
Katie Hansen confirmed unanimously.

3. Facilities and Transportation Chair

The current Academic Affairs Chair provided a history and the responsibilities of the position.
   a. Nominations

Tim Brandt ran unopposed.

Tim Brandt confirmed unanimously.

IV. New Business

   A. Tim Brandt provided information about the upcoming Furniture Drive
   B. The Housing Department is still in the process of hiring a new director.

V. Closing Statements

   A. President Kevin Smith read a closing statement

V. Next Assembly Meeting will be April 11th under the new Executive Committee.

VI. Adjournment

   Motion to adjourn by Tim Brandt, seconded by Brookes Brown. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:08pm.

Attendance:

Present Executive Committee:
   President – Kevin Smith
   Vice President – Tim Brandt
   Secretary – Brooke Macnamara
   Social Chair – Daniell Rowles
   Academic Affairs Chair – Bart McGuyer
   Facilities Chair – Brookes Brown
   Health & Life Chair – Kelly Kearney

Executive Committee in absentia:
   Treasurer – Pablo Moistero
   Communication Director – Kjell Wangensteen

Assembly:
   Tim Brandt (AST)
Kevin Smith (WWS)
Pablo Moistero by Proxy (PHYS – Proxy: Bart McGuyer)
Brookes Brown (POL)
Daniell Rowles (MOL)
Kyle Keller (PSY)
Kit (AOS)
Mike Campanell (PPL)
Alda Balthrop Louis (REL)
Carolann Buff (MUS)
Kelly Kearney (GEO)
Alex Balistreri (NES)

Guests:

Kristin Bietsch
Katie Hansen
Andrianna Kenrick
Stephanie
Marco
Andra Geana (Lawrence Rep)
Lisa Schreyer (Administrator)

Incoming Executive Committee:

President: Chad Maisel
Vice President: Giri Parawaren
Secretary: Kyle Keller
Treasurer: Friederike Funk
Communications Director: Sarah Grady
Social Chair: Pablo Moistero (in absentia)